



## The Ladies Philoptochos Society



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# Philoptochos News Phlash!

April 6, 2021

Philoptochos News Phlash! Highlights from our **Zoom** Board Meeting on April 6, 2021. We want you to know what we are working on and where your donations and contributions to Philoptochos go.

- ❖ *We Met Our Goal for Kids'n' Cancer 2021* – Our final tally of donations and contributions for this ministry to date is \$10,693.93! Secretly we were hoping for this amount and we made it – because of you! We continue to be blessed with a parish that expresses such generosity for this ministry. This year we had a webinar, a Silent Auction, two collection trays and a donation request letter. We were thrilled to have collected this amount. And, we have some donations still coming in. Thank you, one and all, for truly “giving your heart to a child with cancer.” Dr. Fisher’s talk on “The Childhood Cancer Experience” will be available to view very soon.
- ❖ *Agape Celebration* – Sunday, April 11 from 2-3:30 – Please register and join your sisters and brothers in Philoptochos as we hear the stories from Camp Agape from the children who have attended. Listen to their stories and let them entertain us. See firsthand what your support of this ministry does! Go to [www.sfphiloptochos.org](http://www.sfphiloptochos.org) to register.
- ❖ *Virtual Fashion Show 2021* – Saturday, May 15 at 11 on Zoom - Mark your calendars for our annual fashion show, *Zooming into Beauty and Fashion*. Mary Milionis, beauty expert and author, will share her beauty secrets on how to stay looking young. Chico’s designers and models will show us the latest in fashion trends and how to accessorize our outfits. Let’s get ready to spring back to normal! Get dressed up! Put on makeup! No masks required, just positive attitudes. Mailers, including raffle tickets for cash prizes and amazing gift cards, are coming soon. Your zoom link will be sent out to you closer to the date. This is our major fundraiser for the year which supports our graduating high school seniors as they move on to college. Get ready for a fun-filled event!
- ❖ *Maple Street Food Donation Program* – Our Maple Street Donation Program has prepared 1500 sandwiches and 700 snack bags to date. Meal preparation has been in our kitchen using strict Covid guidelines. Members of our Board and members of our Holy Cross family have joined in, either by donating food items or by helping to prepare them. These items have been delivered to the Maple Street Shelter in

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Redwood City and distributed to people in need of a meal, especially during this very difficult time. Contact Emmy Denton, June Sila, or Irene Pappas to lend a hand. When we think of the mission of Philoptochos to help those in need, this is a ministry that truly exhibits that mission.

- ❖ **Coffee Hour Is Coming Back – Covid style!** - We are beginning to offer a time of fellowship after Liturgy, but ask that you follow the guidelines of socially distancing and wearing masks when not eating. Coffee and packaged treats will be offered outside the Oaks.
- ❖ **Easter and Epitaphios** – Emmy Denton is chairing the kouvouklion design once again this year. She will try to stagger volunteers the morning of Good Friday.
- ❖ **Easter Bake Sale** – Glyka Sweets will be providing tsourekia and koulourakia. Ordering details will be posted soon.
- ❖ **Elections for 2021-2023 Board** – Elections will be held on Tuesday, May 11, at 7 PM via Zoom. Detailed guidelines for voting or offering to serve on the Board are being emailed to all through our listserv and databases.
- ❖ **Philoptochos ListServ** – If you know someone who may want to be included, please have them contact Nina Azar at [ninaazar13@gmail.com](mailto:ninaazar13@gmail.com). Stay connected to find out what’s happening!
- ❖ **Membership** – We are in the middle of our Membership Drive for 2021. Fill out your membership pledge form and send a check or go to [www.goholycross.org](http://www.goholycross.org) and click on

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or talk to Helene Nemchik or Cathy Zamenes to see how painless it is. We can use your talent, your time and your treasure. **Get involved.** Make new friends. Sign up with a friend!

- ❖ **Personal Care Closet** – We are continuing to partner with Gina Johnstone and Park School to supply needed *personal care items* for students from low-income families. If you can contribute to the closet, please consider ordering something through the following website and it will be delivered to the school:

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/WS5GGCPZ6YBRC>

We wish you all a very blessed Lent and that you continue to keep safe!

With love in Christ,  
*The Philoptochos of Holy Cross*

