

The Philoptochos Phlash – March 5, 2024

On March 5, 2024, the Philoptochos Board met and voted to support many upcoming ministries, plan some wonderful future events, and share the successes of recent events. Here are the highlights:

- ❖ Our **Outreach to Seniors** is being expanded and strengthened. Angela Koros has reached out to seven parishioners to determine if they could use our help. Please let Father Peter know if you or someone you know needs a helping hand − a ride to Church, a home-cooked meal, or just a friendly chat.
- ❖ Kids'n'Cancer Coffee Hour Reception On Sunday, February 25 the Philoptochos welcomed over 100 people to a special coffee hour where delicious food was served and a very lively drawing was held. With donations online, in the mail, and from the event, we are nearing our goal of \$15,000. There is still time to donate online or by check. With the Grace of God, we are going to make it! Our sincere appreciation and love go to all who gave so generously. We could not do it without your support. A special thank you to our own Outreach who made a very generous donation and to the Gagas family who made 26 beautiful, cozy flannel blankets. There are a few remaining that you can purchase at our coffee hour.
- ❖ Plans are being made for our **Membership Tea and General Meeting** on Saturday, March 16. Laura Jadelrab will be our gracious hostess as she opens her home once again. The event will begin at 11:30 and run until 2:30. Come and enjoy a delicious lunch with your Philoptochos sisters and find out about what we have in the works.
- ❖ Fashion Show Reinvention Saturday, May 18, 2024 -Save the date for our wonderful spring event. Invitations will be out soon. A delicious menu is being planned appropriate for our beautiful ladies. Trina Turk will be providing some of the fashions. Much more to follow.
- ❖ Please plan to attend a beautiful **Salutations to the Holy Cross Ecumenical Service** on March 13 with our Metropolitan Gerasimos and with Catholic clergy, including Archbishop Cordelione. There will be a light dinner buffet following the service which the Philoptochos is preparing.
- Clergy Laity/National Philoptochos Convention, June 30 to July 4 will take place in San Diego and is being hosted by the San Francisco Metropolis. Our chapter will send three delegates to represent our Holy Cross. It is a wonderful and eye-opening experience as we will interact with all the chapters in our country, learning about wonderful programs and learning from very talented speakers.

Happy Spring! Your Holy Cross Philoptochos