

## Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey

## ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΕΗΣ

June 15, 2021

The Very Reverend and Reverend Clergy,
The Beloved Archons of the Order of St. Andrew of the Ecumenical Patriarchate,
The Esteemed Members of the Metropolis Council and
Esteemed Members of the GOMNJ Philoptochos Sisterhood
And the Dedicated Faithful Parishioners of the Communities of the
Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey

My beloved,

I hope and pray that this letter finds you well.

It is with much elation that I announce to you that on Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>, the Feastday of the Synaxis of the Holy Apostles, His Grace, Bishop Apostolos of Medeia will be celebrating his Nameday. Therefore, I write to cordially invite all of you to attend this beautiful day of celebration. His Grace will celebrate the Orthros and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy beginning at 9:00am at the St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church in Paramus, New Jersey. A reception will follow the Divine Liturgy in the Parish Hall.

This past February, our beloved Chief-Shepherd, His Eminence, Archbishop Elpidophoros of America blessed our Holy Metropolis by appointing His Grace to be responsible for the liturgical and pastoral needs of our sacred Eparchy. During this time His Grace has worked tirelessly for the well-being of our Metropolis, traveling throughout the five states in order to visit our communities, as well as to meet as many of our faithful parishioners as possible. Therefore, I hope that you will be able to be in attendance as His Grace celebrates his Nameday in order for us to show our appreciation to him for his dedication to all of our spiritual and pastoral needs.

Thanking your for your love and commitment to His Church and to our Metropolis and wishing you a most blessed and healthy summer, I remain

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At the direction of His Eminence,

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