Special Guest
His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America

Monday, March 4, 2024

10:30 a.m. Registration Opens for Clergy-Laity Assembly

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. Convening of Assembly ........................................ Metropolitan Gerasimos
  • Opening Prayer Service ........................................... Archbishop Elpidophoros
  • Designation of Presiding Officer .............................. Metropolitan Gerasimos
    and Secretary

1:30 p.m. Archpastoral Message ........................................ Archbishop Elpidophoros

2:00 p.m. Keynote Address .............................................. Metropolitan Gerasimos

2:30 p.m. Introduction of Metropolis Council, .................. Bishop Ioannis
  Archdiocesan Council,
  and Audit Committee Candidates

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. Contemplate. Reconcile. Unify. (Part 1) ............ Rev. Dr. Nicholas Louh

5:00 p.m. Ministry Overview: Orthodox Parish Leadership .......... Steve Tibbs

5:30 p.m. Great Vespers ................................................ Monastery of the Theotokos
  the Life-Giving Spring

7:00 p.m. Dinner

8:00 p.m. Elections, Ministry Pavilion .................. Spanos Faith and Heritage Center
  and Dessert Reception

Conclusion of Day 1

“For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in Him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.” Colossians 1:19-20
**Featured Presenter**

Rev. Dr. Nicholas G. Louh was born in Jacksonville, Florida on September 25, 1974 and currently serves as the Senior Priest of St. John the Divine Greek Orthodox Church. Upon graduating from the University of North Florida, Rev. Louh entered Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Seminary in Boston, Massachusetts and graduated with a highest-distinction Masters of Divinity (1999) and a Masters of Theology (2000). He then attended Gordon Cornwell Theological Seminary where he earned a Doctorate of Ministry (2003) with an emphasis on Pastoral Counseling in the urban ministry. Fr. Nicholas is known in both local and global communities as a devoted pastor, motivational speaker, and compassionate champion for those in need, and a passionate advocate for interfaith dialogue and social justice. Fr. Nicholas has a heart for guiding people through the difficulties of everyday life, by providing practical means to bridge their faith into their everyday life. He travels throughout the country leading retreats on understanding and living out God’s purpose. In addition to his role as pastor at St. John the Divine, Rev. Louh serves on the Metropolis Council for the Metropolis of Atlanta, and serves on the Archdiocesan Council as Chair of the Communications Committee. He is also an Adjunct Professor of World Religions at the Florida State College at Jacksonville and is the chaplain for the Jacksonville Sharks Arena Football Team. He appears on WJCT radio as part of the “God Squad”, a monthly panel discussion broadcast program discussing a broad array of religious topics of current interest. He also proudly serves on several local and state boards, including OneJax, an interfaith organization. Together, Fr. Nicholas and his wife, Dr. Roxanne Louh co-host a weekly radio show on Ancient Faith Radio, entitled, “Live with the Louhs” on Tuesday at 8 p.m. In addition, they co-author daily inspirational messages through email and social media. You can register to receive these messages by going to their website at www.TheLouhs.com/Subscribe. They have also co-authored their first book, released in October of 2020, entitled “Renewing You, A Priest, A Psychologist, and a Plan.” You can purchase their book on their website or at Ancient Faith Publishing. Fr. Nicholas lives in Jacksonville with his wife, Dr. Roxanne and their two children, George and Gabriella.

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**Tuesday, March 5, 2024**

- **8:00 a.m.** Hierarchical Divine Liturgy .................................. Monastery of the Theotokos and Twenty-Year Memorial for +His Eminence Metropolitan Anthony
- **10:30 a.m.** Brunch
- **11:15 a.m.** Group Photo
- **11:30 a.m.** Continuation of Assembly
  - Metropolis Philoptochos .................................................. Jeannie Ranglas
  - Approval of Minutes from the 2023 Assembly
  - Report of Metropolis Council ........................................ Isidoros Garifalakis
  - Report of the Archdiocese Finance Committee ........... George Psefteas
  - Metropolis Financial Report ......................................... Michael Syrnegelas
  - Review and Approval of Metropolis Budget ................. George Psefteas
  - New Business
- **1:15 p.m.** 47th Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress ................. Isidoros Garifalakis
  - Jeannie Ranglas
  - Kristen Bruskas
- **1:45 p.m.** Contemplate. Reconcile. Unify. (Part 2) ........... Rev. Dr. Nicholas Louh
- **2:30 p.m.** Closing Remarks
  - Metropolitan Gerasimos
  - Archbishop Elpidophoros

**CLERGY RETREAT BEGINS FOLLOWING VESPERS AND DINNER.**

*Schedule subject to change.*