



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO

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Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Junior Board Members



John Anton of Holy Apostles (Westchester) & St. Haralambos (Niles) Greek Orthodox Churches

John Anton serves multiple Chicagoland parishes, acting as chanter and Byzantine Music instructor at Holy Apostles Church (Westchester, IL) and St. John the Baptist Church (Des Plaines, IL), as well as the Youth Director of Ascension of Our Lord Church (Lincolnshire, IL). He graduated from Hellenic College in May 2018, earning a BA with High Distinction in Religious Studies and a Certificate in Byzantine Music. Anton has also been involved in Metropolis ministries, interning in Fall 2018 in the Metropolis Communications Department, and continuing to volunteer as Fanari Camp Staff into his 4th year.



Penelope Antonopoulos of St. George (Chicago) Greek Orthodox Church

Penelope Antonopoulos, a steward of St. George, is a Chicago area attorney who grew up in Glenview, IL. As a DePaul University and John Marshall Law School graduate, she has pursued her career in real estate law. Penelope is currently a board member of the Metropolis Young Adult League, a member of the Metropolis Strategic Planning Committee, a Parish Council member, GOYA director at her parish, and Sunday School teacher.



Georgia Danos of St. Nicholas (Oak Lawn) & St. Spyridon (Palos Heights) Greek Orthodox Churches

Georgia Danos is an educator with my master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction with a certification in ESL. Her home parishes are St. Nicholas and St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church. Georgia is beyond excited and blessed to be part of the Metropolis Young Professionals Advisory Board family! She prays that together we all grow closer to Christ and that we help one another on our path to salvation.



Dr. Jenelle Mallios Gialousakis of Annunciation Cathedral (Chicago) & Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church (Justice)

Dr. Jenelle Mallios Gialousakis is originally from the suburbs of Chicago. After completing her undergraduate studies in Chicago, she moved to Boston, MA to pursue a Doctor of Optometry degree at the New England College of Optometry. She remained in Boston for her pediatric residency and subsequently took a position at Tufts Medical Center. In 2014, she moved to New York City where she was appointed chief of the Pediatrics department at SUNY College of Optometry. She and her husband recently moved back to Chicago where Dr. Mallios is currently the Associate Clinical Dean and an Associate Professor at Midwestern University's Chicago College of Optometry. Throughout her professional journey, she has remained rooted in her faith through actively participating in parish life including young adult groups. She also served regularly as a counselor at camp Fanari and twice at Ionian Village. Dr. Mallios and her husband enjoy traveling, eating their way through Chicago, and spending time with their 7 nieces and nephews and 6 Godchildren.



Elaina (Argires) Johnsen of SS. Constantine & Helen (Palos Hills) Greek Orthodox Church

Elaina (Argires) Johnsen is the Director of Human Resources in the West Loop area of Chicago at a pediatric therapy clinic and therapeutic preschool and kindergarten program. While she studied at Illinois State University, Business and Industrial/Organizational Psychology courses were very interesting for her as she enjoys learning about people and how to work with them and help them grow. Elaina loves having new employees start and helping them become acclimated with the company culture. She believes that unlike many other departments within a company, HR has a strong connection to every department. HR knows the ins and outs to every position within the company and what works and what does not. When the Metropolis announced this new initiative, Elaina was eager to learn more about it and how she could bring her experience to this new program. Elaina is honored and privileged to be chosen to serve on the Metropolis of Chicago Young Professionals Advisory Board!



**Polyxeni Kapsalis of Annunciation (Chicago)
Greek Orthodox Cathedral**

Polyxeni Kapsalis is from Frankfort, IL. She graduated from the University of Illinois in Urbana Champaign in 2014 with a Bachelor's of Science in Molecular and Cellular Biology and in 2015 graduated from Rosalind Franklin University with a Master's of Science in Health Administration. Polyxeni works for the University of Chicago as a Senior Financial Analyst for the Office of Clinical Research. She currently is the recording secretary for the Annunciation Philoptochos Society and a coach for Junior Olympics with St. Spyridon in Palos Height. She loves traveling, spending time with her family and friends, reading books, and watching sports. Polyxeni is excited to be part of the Metropolis of Chicago Young Professionals Advisory Board and is optimistic about this new initiative for our Metropolis.



**Deanna Kolas of the St. John the Baptist (Des Plaines)
Greek Orthodox Church**

While growing up in Rochester, Minnesota, Deanna attended Holy Anargyroi Greek Orthodox Church. She completed her undergraduate degree at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis and received her master's degree from Loyola University Chicago in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. Deanna is now a Licensed Professional Counselor working with adolescents and adults struggling with eating disorders and with mood disorders such as depression and anxiety. She has been involved in various church ministries throughout her life including GOYA, Orthodox Christian Fellowship, Fanari Camp, Ionian Village, and Project Mexico. Deanna is also currently a board member of the Chicago Young Adult League. She is very excited to be a part of the Young Professionals Advisory Board and serve our Metropolis in this new ministry.



**Andegoni Kyros of the
St. George (Chicago) Greek Orthodox Church**

Antegoni Kyros is a Registered Dental Hygienist with a Master's Degree in Public Health. Not only is she passionate about serving the community through her profession, but also in her personal life through various church and philanthropic groups. She enjoys Greek dancing, eating mint chocolate chip ice cream, and spending time with family and friends!

George Lattas of SS. Constantine & Helen (Palos Hills) Greek Orthodox Church



George Lattas is an attorney whose ongoing law practice in Chicago focuses on commercial real estate matters and corporate/business organization. He started his education at Koraes Elementary School and continued his studies at DePaul University, where he double-majored in Finance (Honors) and Economics as an undergraduate before obtaining a JD/MBA. George has held positions at GE Real Estate as an analyst, in public accounting with Deloitte, where he obtained exposure to complex tax compliance and regulation, and as General Counsel of a real-estate management and development company prior to starting his own practice. George has been named a Rising Star by Superlawyers in 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 and Outstanding Young Alumnus by the DePaul University College of Law. He has been featured on Chicago's NBC Channel 5 discussing the legal implications of real estate matters, has taught several collegiate courses, and serves on the Parish Counsel of Sts. Constantine and Helen, the DePaul University College of Law Dean's Advisory Council, the DePaul University College of Law Alumni Engagement Board, and on the boards of other philanthropic organizations.

Eleni Manos of St. Demetrios (Elmhurst) Greek Orthodox Church



Eleni L. Manos, M.S., is a Research Associate at the Ounce of Prevention Fund, working to develop and maintain evaluations of multiple professional development programs. As a research associate, Eleni has been involved in translating research findings and the latest science for lawmakers and the public to support policies and practices that are proven to support young children's learning and well-being. She graduated with her Master's in Applied Psychology from New York University's Steinhardt School for Education, where her research focused on early childhood education and development. Eleni grew up at the church of St. Demetrios Elmhurst, with Rev. Fathers Panagiotis Malamis, and Andrew Georganas. Spending her days at church for church service, Greek school, basketball, dance, and Junior Olympics practice, or J.O.Y or G.O.Y.A. meetings, Eleni's faith grew within her. Today, Eleni remains an active member in the Greek Orthodox faith and community and feels blessed for the opportunity to serve on the Metropolis Young Professionals Advisory Board.



Yanni Metaxas of Assumption (Madison) Greek Orthodox Church

Yanni Metaxas is a performer, a musician, a philhellene, and above all else, an Orthodox Christian. He recently graduated from Boston University as a Polytropos award winner with a degree in Mathematics and Modern Greek Studies, and has since done stints at an electronic medical record company and eyewear boutique in Madison, WI. Throughout his life, Yanni has sung with several parishes' Sunday choirs, served behind the altar, and participated in dance troupes, YALs, and Byzantine chanting lessons. Hailing from New York, he considers Chicago a second home where he has spent summers with his godfather and has interned on Wacker Drive. Yanni is ecstatic to work on issues impacting the Chicago metropolis and to help benefit its mission.



Kevin Milogos of the Annunciation (Chicago) Greek Orthodox Cathedral

Born and raised in Oak Brook, Illinois, Kevin has been an active member of the Greek Orthodox community in Chicago throughout his life. As a senior manager in the consulting industry, Kevin has helped CEOs and executive leaders across major North American and global banks formulate and execute transformational strategies designed to strengthen market position, drive revenue growth, and deliver efficient cost structures across business units. He also specializes in launching new businesses and products across a variety of markets for his clients. Kevin holds a degree in Economics from New York University with secondary concentrations in Mathematics and Computer Science, and is eager to bring his skill as well as his love for the Greek Orthodox community to strengthen and grow the Metropolis of Chicago. He currently lives in the city of Chicago, has recently been honored as a Consulting Magazine "35 under 35" recipient in 2019, and serves on the Parish Council of Annunciation Cathedral.



James Murphy of Assumption (Town & Country) Greek Orthodox Church

James Murphy graduated from the University of Missouri in 2018 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and minors in Aerospace Engineering, Business, and Mathematics and has his sights set on starting an MBA program by Fall 2021. Since graduating, he has been working for Boeing Defense, Space & Security as a Structural Engineer on the F/A-18 program. While in college, James was actively involved in OCF at St. Luke the Evangelist Orthodox Church and held various leadership roles. James also participated in archdiocese programs such as College Conference East and Midwest and IV Next during his time in college. After graduating and returning to St. Louis, James has become more involved in his home parish by taking on a leadership role in YAL, participating in the Greek Dance troupe, and sitting on the Greek Festival Committee.

	<p>Marianne Orfanos of SS. Constantine & Helen (Merrillville) Greek Orthodox Church</p>
	<p>Estelle Pappas of St. John the Baptist (Des Plaines) Greek Orthodox Church</p>
	<p>Ian Pappas of St. John the Baptist (Des Plaines) Greek Orthodox Church</p>

Marianne Orfanos is a member of Saints Constantine and Helen in Merrillville, Indiana. She currently works as a Consultant with the Indiana IEP Resource Center, a group that works to increase knowledge, skills, and capacity of Indiana educators to improve outcomes for students with disabilities. All of her professional work has been in service as a teacher, administrator, and consultant in the education field. She passionately supports the belief that all students deserve to be held to high standards. Marianne is the proud aunt of three nephews and one niece and finds much happiness in watching them grow. In her free time, she welcomes time with friends and looks forward to trips to Disney World!

Estelle Pappas is currently a Marketing Project Manager at Discover Financial Services. She grew up in Park Ridge, IL and her home parish is St. John the Baptist Greek in Des Plaines IL. She attended Loyola Academy for high school and Denison University in Granville, OH for her college years, and graduated with a degree in Communication. She has been a member of the YAL Chicago board for the last three years, as well as the Cristo Rey St. Martin Young Professional Advisory board.

Ian Pappas is a consultant at Ernst & Young (EY) where he has focused on strategy for agriculture & technology companies. Within the Chicago Metropolis, Ian is a member of the Young Adult League's (YAL) Executive Board & home parish of St. John the Baptist in Des Plaines. Ian is a graduate of Northwestern University where he studied economics and organizational studies and serves on the Loyola Academy President's Leadership Council.



Juliette Pirpiris of Annunciation (Chicago) Cathedral & SS. Peter & Paul (Glenview) Greek Orthodox Churches

Juliette Stephanie Pirpiris works as an Operations Program Manager for Northrop Grumman Corporation. She graduated from Northwestern University with a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering and International Studies. She enjoys traveling, going to sporting events and concerts, baking, and spending time with her family. Juliette is a member of both the Annunciation Cathedral Chicago and Saints Peter and Paul in Glenview, IL. Her Greek Orthodox faith has been important to her since she was little, and she has enjoyed singing in the choir and teaching Sunday School for six years.



Taylor Prodromos of St. George (Chicago) & St. Haralambos (Niles) Greek Orthodox Churches

Taylor is a financial services attorney and Vice President in the Futures Legal and Compliance Division at an investment bank. She is a graduate of The John Marshall Law School, and also received her Master's in Law in Financial Services from Illinois Institute of Technology—Chicago Kent College of Law. In her free time, Taylor loves to brush up on her former Division III Collegiate Tennis skills, support the National Hellenic Society, a Hellenic organization that promotes cultural engagement and education, and advocates for global Hellenic issues as a Leadership 2030 Fellow with the Hellenic American Leadership Council.



Christine Savas of St. George (Chicago) Greek Orthodox Church

Christine Savas is a mental health therapist in Chicago, IL where she resides with her loving dog, Paisios. Outside of work and playing with the dog, she enjoys walking to the lakefront, traveling, and eating dessert before dinner. Christine is a YAL Chicago board member as well as an active member of her parish. There, she organizes collection drives, plans events for the young adults, and participates in the Telos Project.



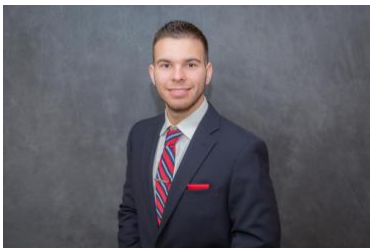
**Ryan Scannell of St. Spyridon (Sheboygan)
 Greek Orthodox Church**

Ryan grew up on a dairy farm in rural Wisconsin. After earning Bachelor of Science degrees in Biochemistry and Agricultural Business Management at the University of Wisconsin—Madison, he worked as a food scientist in Chicago and continued his studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, earning a Master of Science degree in Food Science & Human Nutrition. Ryan has since returned to Wisconsin and works in the cheese industry. After much searching, he discovered the Orthodox Christian Church and was chrismated in 2017, taking the name "Patrick." He is a member of St. Spyridon's in Sheboygan, WI and is learning Byzantine chant. Ryan chants Orthros and sings in the choir for Liturgy. Ryan enjoys photography and posts at: facebook.com/ryanscannellphotography/



**Euthemia (Mia) Shanley of SS. Peter & Paul (Glenview)
 Greek Orthodox Church**

Euthemia (Mia) Shanley is 25 years old and works as a sales engineer for her family business, Shanley Pump & Equipment. She travels frequently for work and enjoys her time experiencing new things. She graduated from Loyola University Chicago in 2016 with a Bachelor's degree in biophysics and math. She is currently a part time MBA student at Loyola University, Chicago. She loves spending time with her family and friends and enjoys cooking, baking, working out, and exploring our beautiful city of Chicago. She lives in River North and attends St. Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox church in Glenview, IL, where she has been a Sunday school teacher for seven years. Her faith is very important to her and she has enjoyed growing up and being involved in our church.



**Demetri Vlahakis of the St. John the Baptist Greek
 Orthodox Church**

Demetri Vlahakis was born and raised in the northern suburbs of Chicago. His home parish is St. John the Baptist in Des Plaines, IL. He attended Loyola University Chicago, where he studied Finance and Information Systems. Electing to stay local, he is currently working for a trading company in the downtown area. During his free time, you will often find Demetri playing a rec' league sport or Greek dancing. He enjoys a good brainteaser and is always ready to crack a joke and have a good laugh. His favorite holiday is Pascha, because it is the perfect blend of faith, family and food!



Ioannis Wallingford of Three Hierarchs Greek Orthodox Church

Ioannis “Yanni” Wallingford is an assistant program manager at the Construction Engineering Research Laboratory in Champaign, Illinois. Originally a native of Andover, Massachusetts he graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point with a degree in Mechanical Engineering with Honors, focusing on nuclear power. Growing up with a disabled brother has taught him the value of all individuals while identifying ways to incorporate all people. He has served as a Platoon Leader in the 82nd Airborne Division and as Deputy Commander for the Recovery Field Office and Debris Removal Cell during the Hurricane Maria recovery effort in Puerto Rico. To the Young Adult Board he brings the expertise to apply network analytics through data science in order to help identify strategic objectives. In his free time, he enjoys obstacle races, skydiving, and watching college football. His priority for the upcoming term is to improve church involvement for Orthodox Christian soldiers.



Athanasia Xeros of Assumption St. Louis and St. Spyridon Palos Heights Greek Orthodox Churches

Athanasia (Sia) Xeros is originally from Chicago but now resides in St. Louis. Professionally, Sia currently leads Environmental Sustainability at Mastercard, where she identifies and implements best practices pertaining to carbon reduction, sustainable design, natural resource management, and sustainable sourcing. Outside of her career, Sia has a passion for community service, especially food security and urban farming, is active in the St. Louis area. Funnily enough, she even designed and owned a sustainable shrimp farm! She received her Biologic Engineering Degree from UIUC and is working on completing her MBA at Washington University.