

## SOCIAL MEDIA RECOMMENDATIONS

## **GUIDELINES FOR PARISHES**

These recommendations will strengthen parish communications through consistency across their social media platforms and websites

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## **SOCIAL MEDIA RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1. Link all social media platforms together
- Share relevant Metropolis of Chicago and Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America events, announcements, etc.
- 3. Create an attractive website using the **templates** available from GOARCH (<u>www.templates.goarch.org</u>)
- 4. Make donation portals **easy** to navigate (Ex: PayPal, Venmo, Zelle, Tithely, Vanco, etc.)
- 5. Advertise service times on all social media platforms
- 6. Link the festival page to the parish Facebook page
- 7. Keep all handles on social media sites consistent (Ex: If your handle on Intagram is @HTGOC, that should be your handle on YouTube, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)
- 8. Ensure parish Facebook profile is a **page**, not a group
- 9. Advertise partnerships with local universities
- 10. On-board an intern to assist with social media
- 11. Recognize the parish page by "tagging" or "locating" it in parish group posts (Ex: YAL)
- 12. Establish **live streaming** platform(s) for services (Ex: Facebook, YouTube, Instagram, etc.)
- 13. Set up an Amazon Smile account

## **GETTING STARTED:**

For information on how to set up live streaming: <a href="https://www.support.goarch.org">www.support.goarch.org</a>

To begin making an Amazon Smile account: smile.amazon.com

To begin making an Instagram account: <u>www.instagram.com</u>

To begin making a Facebook account: www.facebook.com

To begin making a YouTube account: <a href="https://www.youtube.com">www.youtube.com</a>