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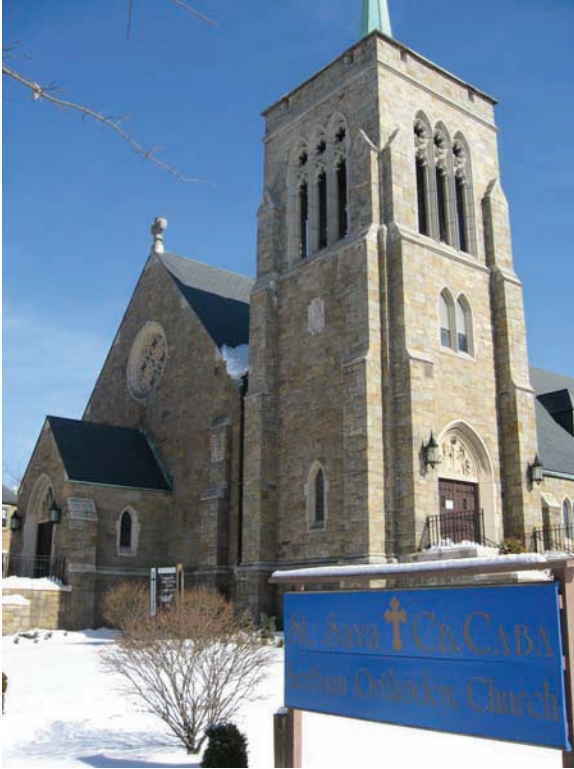


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St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church - Cambridge, MA

## PAN ORTHODOX VESPERS AT ST. SAVA SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

Rehearsals have begun for this year's annual Sunday of Orthodoxy Pan Orthodox Vespers Service. Father Aleksandar Vlajkovic and the entire St. Sava Serbian Community are thrilled to be hosting this year's event on Sunday, March 16 at 5:00 p.m. in their newly purchased church building on Alewife Brook Parkway in Cambridge, MA. Under the direction of Dean Limberakis, representatives from the Serbian, Albanian, Russian, Antiochian and Greek Orthodox communities are coming together to combine their voices for this yearly service. Ona Calogrias will accompany the choir on the church's beautiful pipe organ. Additional rehearsals will be held on March 2 and March 9 at 3:00 p.m. with a dress rehearsal at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 16. It is not too late to join the choir. For additional information call Stella Pathiakakis at 339-222-2629.

**CONFERENCE MUSIC** - The music for this year's Conference is available for purchase directly from the composer, Dr. Tikey Zes. The Zes Choral Setting is \$22 plus \$9 shipping and handling for single copies; \$19.80 ea. plus \$13 S&H for 2 to 10 copies; \$18.40 ea. plus \$19 S&H for 11 to 20 copies and \$17.25 ea. plus \$29 S&H for 21 to 30 copies. Please contact Dr. Zes directly to order your music:

Dr. Tikey A. Zes, 2503 Booksin Avenue, San Jose, CA 95125  
Telephone: 408-723-0640 - Email: [tzes@sbcglobal.net](mailto:tzes@sbcglobal.net)

The St. Athanasius Choir of Arlington extends an invitation to all for a

## LENTEN RETREAT

Saturday, April 5, 2008 - 12:30 pm - 6:00 pm

St. Athanasius Greek Orthodox Church, 4 Appleton Street (Corner of Mass. Ave.), Arlington, MA 02476

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE

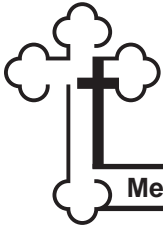
12:30 p.m.	Registration and Refreshments	4:00 p.m.	Organ Interlude - Sophia Argeros
1:00 p.m.	Music - The Liturgy by Tikey Zes	4:30 p.m.	Vespers Service
	Vespers Music		<i>Retreat participants to sing</i>
2:00 p.m.	Presentation and Discussion -		<i>hymns and responses</i>
	Rev. Fr. Nicholas M. Kastanas	5:30 p.m.	Lenten Buffet and Refreshments
	<i>"Traveling in the Steps of</i>		
	<i>our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ"</i>		

*We invite everyone to come and participate in a meaningful afternoon of Orthodoxy. We will participate in discussions, become more involved in our Lenten experience, and find closer relationships with friends.*

### COME AND ENJOY THIS MEANINGFUL PROGRAM

For information call: Stella Pathiakakis - 339-222-2629; St. Athanasius Church - 781-646-0705

*The St. Athanasius Greek Orthodox Church Choir is a member of The Metropolis of Boston Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians.*



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## METROPOLIS OF BOSTON CALENDAR

Please send us your dates to add to the Calendar.

### 2008

- Mar. 2 Pan Orthodox Vespers Rehearsal - 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
St. Saba Serbian Orthodox Church  
41 Alewife Brook Parkway, Cambridge, MA
- Mar. 9 Pan Orthodox Vespers Rehearsal - 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
St. Saba Serbian Orthodox Church  
41 Alewife Brook Parkway, Cambridge, MA
- Mar. 9 North Shore Greek Orthodox Young Singers Chorus  
Rehearsal - 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.  
Annunciation Church, 7 Harris Street, Newburyport, MA
- Mar. 16 Pan Orthodox Vespers Service - Sunday of Orthodoxy  
Dress Rehearsal at 3:00 p.m.; Vespers at 5:00 p.m.  
St. Saba Serbian Orthodox Church  
41 Alewife Brook Parkway, Cambridge, MA
- Mar. 16 Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers Service - 5:30 p.m.  
*Greek Orthodox Young Singers Chorus will sing*  
St. George Church, 54 South Common, Lynn, MA
- Mar. 24 Annunciation Vespers - 7:00 p.m.  
*Greek Orthodox Young Singers Chorus will sing*  
Annunciation Church, 7 Harris Street, Newburyport, MA
- Apr. 5 Lenten Choir Retreat  
St. Athanasius Church  
4 Appleton Street, Arlington, MA
- Jun. 8 Hierarchical Divine Liturgy  
Officiated by His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios  
St. Nicholas Church, 17 Meriam Street, Lexington, MA
- Jul. 13-17 39th Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress  
and National Forum Annual Meeting  
Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, DC
- Sep. 20 Annual Church Music Institute for Choir Directors,  
Organists, Psaltai and Priests  
Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology  
50 Goddard Avenue, Brookline, MA
- Oct. 5 National Church Music Sunday
- Nov. 7-9 2008 MBFGOCM Conference  
Holy Apostles/SS. Peter & Paul Church  
154 Winter Street, Haverhill, MA
- Dec. 14 MBFGOCM Christmas Concert  
Annunciation Cathedral of New England, Boston, MA

### 2009

- Nov. 6-8 2009 MBFGOCM Conference  
*Submit your bids*

## Monthly Feature

### OUR CHOIRS AND OUR YOUTH

Most people agree that *any* youth involvement in our church is a step in the right direction - especially if they take part in the liturgy. This is the reason youth choirs can be so effective in helping the youth take ownership in our church and at the same time lift the spirits of our parishioners. So why is it that most of our churches have not established youth choirs that sing on a regular basis? His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios has expressed his desire to hear younger voices lead our congregations. What can we do to make this happen?

I have been directing the Youth Choir at St. Vasilios Church in Peabody for one year. It began with 3-4 voices and today we have 15 youth choir members and 5-10 adults who join us in singing at the first liturgy every Sunday. Fifteen young singers do not constitute by any means a full youth choir sound, but it is a good start. In future columns I will write from personal experience about what worked and what didn't during my first year as choir director, the music that I chose, how I recruited, how I learned to ask for support, how I communicate with my choir and how I managed to instill confidence in my choir members. After all, we sing in church so we can feel and share spiritual fulfillment and, hopefully, to look forward to the next Sunday service.

**Antonios Vatousios,**  
*MBFGOCM Youth Choir Director*

## CONFERENCE AND CONCERT CDs AND DVDs ARE READY TO SHIP! - We

are pleased to announce that the CDs and DVDs from the 2007 MBFGOCM Conference in Cranston, RI are going to be shipped to those who ordered them by the middle of March. The Commemorative Albums will also be shipped at the same time. The CDs from the 2007 MBFGOCM Christmas Concert are also ready and will be shipped to those who ordered them in early March. If you would like to order any of these items please fill out the order forms available on our Web site.

## To submit information for the *Mini Acouste Key:*

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Deadline Date: March 22, 2008