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MBFGOCM ANNUAL CONFERENCE
NOVEMBER 7, 8 & 9, 2008 - HOLY APOSTLES,

All year long most of us sing in our home churches, Sunday to Sunday, on special feast days and during Holy Week. We love our choirs, our youth choirs, our clergy, our fellow church musicians, our families and friends in the congregation, and everything that is familiar to us. We attend rehearsals and struggle through the issues that face all church musicians today. We all have common goals, interests, problems and yes, sometimes even complaints. Once a year, during the first full

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SAVE THE DATE! FINAL

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Area Conference Music Rehearsal

Sunday, November 2 at 3:00 p.m. Holy Apostles Church, Haverhill, MA

weekend of November, the Metropolis of Boston Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians offers a means to bring as many of us as possible together. This year MBFGOCM Conference 2008 is being held at the Holy Apostles, Sts. Peter and Paul Church of Haverhill, MA on November 7, 8 & 9. The Holy Apostles Choir and Conference Committee have been working and planning for a whole year to offer us a wonderful weekend where we can all come together in fellowship to worship, learn, sing and honor our best. The conference will introduce us to new music. This year we are singing the bilingual Choral Setting by Dr. Tikey Zes, who is also our Guest Conductor, traveling all the way from San Jose, CA to direct us during rehearsals and the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy. Our very own Ona Calogrias from Brockton, MA will accompany on the organ. His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios will lead us all in worship. Our Metropolitan has been an unwavering supporter of our Federation and our conferences and encourages all church musicians to attend the yearly conference. This is our weekend, our opportunity to meet, learn, pray, grow, refresh and rejuvenate ourselves. It's not too late to send in your registration forms. Don't miss your chance to be a part of something wonderful, Conference 2008 in Haverhill, MA! Please go to www.boston.churchmusic.goarch.org for registration forms, directions to the church and more information.

HAS YOUR PARISH SENT IN ITS 2008 MBFGOCM MEMBERSHIP FORM AND STEWARDSHIP? FILL OUT THE ATTACHED FORM AND RETURN IT TODAY!

METROPOLIS OF BOSTON CALENDAR

Please send us your dates to add to the Calendar.

2008

Nov. 2 Area Conference Music Rehearsal - 3:00 p m. Holy Apostles/SS. Peter & Paul Church 154 Winter Street, Haverhill, MA

Nov. 7-9 2008 MBFGOCM Annual Conference Holy Apostles / SS. Peter & Paul Church 154 Winter Street, Haverhill, MA

Nov. 16, 23 & 30 and Dec. 7 Christmas Concert Rehearsals - 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Annunciation Cathedral of New England Parker & Ruggles Streets, Boston, MA

Dec. 13 Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal - 10:00 a.m. Annunciation Cathedral - *Lunch to follow* Parker & Ruggles Streets, Boston, MA

Dec. 14 MBFGOCM Christmas Concert Annunciation Cathedral of New England Parker & Ruggles Streets, Boston, MA

2009

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

FINAL CONFERENCE AREA MUSIC

REHEARSAL - The Holy Apostles Church in Haverhill, MA will be hosting the final rehearsal before the November Conference at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 2. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

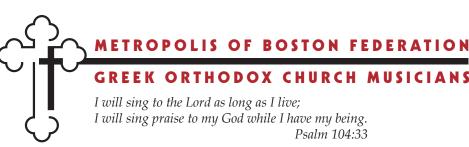
SECOND ANNUAL MBFGOCM CHRISTMAS

CONCERT - Following the tremendous success of last year's concert, MBFGOCM will present its Second Annual Christmas Concert at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 14, at the Annunciation Cathedral in Boston. This Concert will feature a chorus comprised of Metropolis of Boston church musicians accompanied by pipe organ and string orchestra. All church musicians in the Metropolis of Boston are welcomed and encouraged to participate. Rehearsals will be held at the Annunciation Cathedral on Sundays, November 16, 23 & 30 and December 7 at 3:00 p.m.

To submit information for the *Mini Acouste Key:*

Send to Carol Salvo

either by E-mail (bcjas@comcast.net) or mail (12 Robin Hood Road, Winchester, MA 01890) Deadline Date: November 24, 2008



TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP! PARISH MEMBERSHIP LIST FOR 2008

(January 1, 2008 - December 31, 2008)

The Metropolis of Boston Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians (MBFGOCM) exists for the benefit of all parishes in the Metropolis of Boston. It also serves as the liaison between each local parish and the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese's religious choral group, the National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians, which provides many resources to each parish and Choir Federation. MBFGOCM's ability to support Church Musicians is dependent upon the financial support from its choirs, organists, psaltai, and individuals.

Now that we are at the start of our fiscal year (January 1 - December 31), we take this opportunity to invite you to submit a **Choir Membership List**, along with your **Annual Stewardship Membership** of \$100, and mail them to: **JAMES MAHERAS**, **20 FAIRHILL AVENUE**, **RYE**, **NH 03870**.

Thank you for your prompt response!

Name of Parish		Parish Priest	
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Choir Director's Nam	ne		
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Organist's Name			
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Please mail or email (jgmplm@earthlink.net) your separate list of adult choir and junior/youth choir members, giving each name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone, e-mail address, voice part (s-a-t-b), together with this form and your stewardship (\$100) made payable to "MBFGOCM," to: