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George S. Tsandikos and Paulette Poulos with Rev. Nicholas C. Triantafilou, center, at Commencement.

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# MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

On May 16, 2015, Hellenic College/Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology held its 73rd Commencement, highlighted by the special recognition of its President, Rev. Nicholas C. Triantafilou, retiring after having served 15 remarkable years in that office. I was honored to be asked to deliver a greeting at the ceremony, which included the conferral of the honorary degree of Doctor of Theology on Fr. Nicholas, and his moving remarks to the graduating classes.

Leadership 100 has enjoyed a close professional and personal relationship with Fr. Nicholas over his presidency, which resulted in some \$20 million of financial support in scholarship aid for seminarians, capital improvements and programs during which time he greatly expanded the outreach of the school to a wider audience, establishing several institutes and centers. His presidential ministry, which culminated more than 50 fifty years as a priest, is acknowledged as one in which he empowered and inspired students, faculties, administrators, benefactors and friends. In his long and distinguished career, he served in prominent leadership roles at the Archdiocese in New York and in posts throughout the country, including an appointment as Director of Leadership 100 in 1992.

At the same time, we welcome the new President of Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology, V. Rev. Christopher T. Metropoulos, another highly accomplished church leader, who also served Leadership 100, under Fr. Nicholas, as Assistant Regional Director.

In this issue, we focus on this important transition at the School, the continuing and critical grant support provided by Leadership 100, as well as the overall grant support that has kept pace with the needs and challenges faced by our Church in recent years. With the approval of additional grants on May 13, 2015, total grants for the period of 2015-2017, along with previously approved



George S. Tsandikos

grants, now amounts to \$3,232,651, bringing the year to date total since the inception of Leadership 100 to \$42,292,163. The majority of these grants are in support of the National Ministries of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. Also in this issue, Leadership 100 continues to acknowledge the accomplishments of its outstanding members.

As we move into the summer season, the Leadership 100 Office remains a hub of activity. Planning is underway for the 25th Annual Leadership 100 Conference, February 18-21, 2016, at The Phoenician in Scottsdale, Arizona. Preparations are also being made for moving the offices from the ninth floor of the Olympic Tower to the fourth floor, resulting from the sale of the building to new owners. Fortunately, with the assistance of the Onassis Foundation, and most especially its President, Dr. Anthony S. Papadimitriou, (whose US offices, along with the Onassis Cultural

Center, will remain in the building), Leadership 100 was able to secure a 10-year-lease at below market cost.

This issue of The Leader serves to remind us of the important link to Hellenic College/Holy Cross, the continuing mission of support for the National Ministries and institutions of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, and the ability of Leadership 100, with the support of its devoted members, to remain flexible and innovative in its own growth.

I wish you and your family a delightful and rewarding summer.

With warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "George S. Tsandikos".

George S. Tsandikos  
Chairman

REMARKS BY GEORGE S. TSANDIKOS  
73<sup>rd</sup> COMMENCEMENT  
HELLENIC COLLEGE/HOLY CROSS  
MAY 16, 2015



George S. Tsandikos  
speaks at Commencement.

Your Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, Respected Hierarchs and Clergy, President Father Triantafilou, Dr. Lelon, distinguished guests and beloved graduates:

*Christos Anesti!*

It is indeed a great honor for me to address you today and, most especially, to participate in the well-deserved honor bestowed upon our most beloved and dedicated Father Nick Triantafilou.

The relationship of Leadership 100 to Hellenic College/Holy Cross can now be classified as historic. For more than two decades we have been intimately involved with the development of this special institution, from early support of the Archbishop Iakovos Library and Learning Resource Center, through funding of the

Office of Vocation and Ministry, the Technology Infrastructure and the Fitness Center, and through the scholarship program for students studying for the priesthood. I am thankful that in some small way Leadership 100 was able to assist you by providing scholarship funding for your education.

As you prepare to begin a new chapter in your lives and to respond to the high calling of the Holy Priesthood, I am reminded of the new beginnings each of us face in life - leaving the comfort of our home for our first day of school, leaving behind friends in changing schools, moving from the familiarity of one community for another, forging new friendships, being enriched by our teachers and mentors only to move on to new challenges, being adrift with the loss of loved ones until we find balance in new and fulfilling relationships.

These transitions are central to the human experience and without a compass of faith and values, they can disorient us and sometimes misdirect us. Yet though our spiritual encounters with our priests, our beloved Church gives us that compass to guide us on this path.

The Holy Priesthood, instituted by Our Lord in charging His disciples to go out into the world guided by the Holy Spirit, is the highest and most profound calling known to humanity. The Holy Priesthood is what gives us direction and holds us together as a family of faith. Without our connection to the Holy Priesthood, Leadership 100 would be simply another charitable organization, no doubt doing good works and helping humanity. Without connection to the Holy Priesthood, our families could be ethical and loving, but they would lack the continuity of purpose and meaning. Without connection to the Holy Priesthood, our venerable and ancient Hellenic Heritage would impart wisdom, learning and creativity, but would lack spiritual nourishment.

We the faithful often speak of OUR support of the Church, the Holy Priesthood, and of our spiritual leaders. But in reality, it is the Church, the Holy Priesthood and those spiritual leaders that sustain and support US and set US in the right direction in our spiritual journey.

Fundamentally, it begins and ends with the Holy Priesthood, for this is where Our Lord has chosen to manifest Himself for our comfort and our guidance.

In closing, I would like to reassure you that Leadership 100 is honored to provide support for you, the future leaders of our Church. We thank God for you and pray for your continued success in your worthy endeavors. Thank you.

## HELLENIC COLLEGE HOLY CROSS CELEBRATES LEGACY OF RETIRING PRESIDENT



*His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios presents Rev. Nicholas C. Triantafilou with Honorary Doctor of Theology degree. Left of Fr. Triantafilou are His Eminence Methodios of Boston and Dr. James C. Skedros, Dean of Holy Cross. To right of Archbishop Demetrios are Dr. Thomas C. Lelon, Vice Chairman of Board of Trustees and Dr. Demetrios S. Katos, Dean of Hellenic College.*

The 73rd Commencement of Hellenic College Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology on May 16, 2015 was highlighted with a celebration of the legacy of retiring President, the Reverend Nicholas C. Triantafilou with members of the Holy Eparchial Synod, dignitaries, benefactors, friends, and family, who paid tribute to him for 15 years of exemplary service. The ceremony took place in the Pappas Gymnasium, which was filled to capacity.

Fr. Triantafilou was conferred with the honorary degree Doctor of Theology as 54 graduates of Hellenic College and Holy Cross received their degrees at the Commencement exercises. George S. Tsandikos, Chairman of Leadership 100, was among the major speakers paying tribute to Fr. Triantafilou and addressing the graduates.

His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios conveyed congratulations to Fr. Triantafilou from His All Holiness

Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew and read a formal statement of recognition of Fr. Triantafilou's achievements by the Holy Eparchial Synod of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese. Archbishop Demetrios emphasized to all, "This is a very significant document, a milestone." His Eminence also gave special thanks to Leadership 100 and the National Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society for their unwavering support for Hellenic College Holy Cross during the 15 years of Fr. Triantafilou's presidency.



*Hellenic College Class of 2015 with His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, Holy Eparchial Synod, Hierarchs, Faculty and Administrators.*

Dr. Thomas C. Lelon, Vice Chair of the Hellenic College Holy Cross Board of Trustees, greeted the gathering by offering congratulations to the graduates and gratitude to Fr. Triantafilou for his tireless dedication to the institution. To the graduates, he concluded, “We pray you will pursue a Christ-centered life in service to others.”

Formal greetings were also given by the Honorable Iphigenia Kanara, Consul General of Greece in Boston and Maria Logus, President of the National Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society.

Representing their respective graduating classes as Valedictorians were Rachel Contos for Hellenic College, and Peter Hasiakos for Holy Cross. Their respective Deans, Demetrios Katos, PhD, and James Skedros, ThD, introduced these exemplary young scholars.

In accepting the honorary degree of Doctor of Theology honoris causa from His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, Father

Triantafilou began by saying, “It is humbling to receive this degree from where I attended and started my ministry. I wear this hood for all graduates past and present.” In closing, he addressed the graduates pastorally by saying, “What we have as Orthodox Christians is not to be owned, but to be shared. Share the wealth!”

Bachelor of Arts degrees from Hellenic College were presented to Marios Adamakis, Ilias Andriopoulos, Nicholas Birbilis, Demetrios Constantine, Rachel Contos, Nikoletta Evangelatos, Hosea Hatmaji, Margaret Hutchinski, Anthony Jonas, Alexander Kamilaris, Alexander Karcher, Theodore Karcher, John Livick-Moses, David Maillis, Jenna Mason, Evangelia Palis, Mary Robinson, Demetrios Sarris, Peter Tarasidis, and George Tsougranis.

Master of Theology Degrees from Holy Cross were presented to Jason Falcone, Maria Koulianos, and Dr. Magdi Salmon. Master of Theological Studies Degrees were presented to Nicholas Calibey, Frank

Edelblut, Peter Pappalas, Nikki Stournaras, and Haralambos Zaharis. Receiving Master of Divinity Degrees were Dn. Gary Alexander, Michael Andrzejewski, Andrew Athanasiou, Andrew Calivas, Nikolas Delaveris, Kevin Edgecomb, Fr. Theodore Ehmer, Peter Hasiakos, Evagelos Karantonis, Dionysios Koulianos, Nicholas Lanzourakis, Fr. John Mamangakis, Michael Manos, Jonathan McClish, Brian McMullen, Dn. Demetre Mott, Nicholas Mueller, Michael Odegaard, Joshua Pappas, Sarah Robinson, Peter Romanovsky, Anthony Ruggerio, Steven Sarigianis, Emile Sarkis, Robert Shand, and Christian Siskos.

Certificates in Byzantine Music were awarded to Richard Barrett, Peter Hasiakos, Samuel Herron, Sarah Jenks, Irene Koulianos, Maria Diveris McMullen, Athanasios Minetos, Evangelia Palis, Nicholas Roumas, and Constantine Trumpower.

The day began with the traditional Orthros and Hierarchical Liturgy, celebrated by His



*Holy Cross School of Theology Class of 2015 with His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, Holy Eparchial Synod, Hierarchs, Faculty and Administrators.*

Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church in America. Other hierarchs present included Their Eminences Metropolitan Methodios of Boston, Metropolitan Alexios of Atlanta, Metropolitan Savas of Pittsburgh, Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco and Metropolitan Evangelos of New Jersey, as well as Their Graces Bishop Andonios of Phasiane, Bishop Demetrios of Mokissos, Bishop Sevastianos of Zela, Bishop Kyrillos of Abydos, and Bishop John of Worcester and New England.

On Friday evening, May 15, a special event titled “Reflect, Honor, and Celebrate,” was held in honor of Fr. Triantafilou at the Boston Marriott Newton Hotel, also attended by members of the Holy Eparchial Synod, dignitaries, benefactors, friends, and family from around the United States and North America. The event, co-chaired by Helen A. Carlos and Christine Karavites, trustees of Hellenic College Holy Cross, inaugurated the Presidential Scholarship Fund established in honor of Fr. Triantafilou. The fund supports

scholarships for students, a cause which he championed throughout his tenure.

His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios related highlights of Fr. Triantafilou’s tenure at Hellenic College Holy Cross. His Eminence noted the beloved outgoing president’s tireless efforts by saying, “He always has time to worship, spend time with students, all while flying around the country for critical fundraising. He has no personal agenda, but rather total personal commitment. He is an ambassador of God.”

Fr. James Katinas, Director of Institutional Advancement, thanked the attended guests and sponsors for their generosity, which generated over \$480,000 in donations to the Scholarship Fund, the largest amount ever raised by Hellenic College Holy Cross at a single event. Hellenic College Holy Cross Presidential Scholarships are awarded to students who possess exceptional achievement and potential in the areas of academics and leadership. During his tenure, Fr. Triantafilou has made it one of his primary missions to attract and assist

high-caliber students with funding based on merit and need.

Among the many speakers who paid tribute to Reverend Triantafilou was his son Constantine Triantafilou, Executive Director and CEO of International Orthodox Christian Charities. He ended his heartfelt remarks with lyrics from a song by Josh Groban that he said best described how he felt about his father: “You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains; you raise me up to walk on stormy seas, I am strong when I am on your shoulders, you raise me up to more than I can be.”

Fr. Triantafilou expressed his gratitude to those gathered by first thanking his wife of 52 years, Presvytera Diane, saying “Thank you for your love, support, and selflessness.” He also congratulated the new president-elect, the Reverend Dr. Christopher T. Metropoulos, and praised him as a “skilled communicator” who will take Hellenic College Holy Cross to the next level of excellence in fulfilling its mission.

## REV. NICHOLAS C. TRIANTAFILOU



Elected and inaugurated president of Hellenic College/Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology on August 1, 2000, Fr. Triantafilou has had a remarkable career as a parish priest, theologian, college president, and champion of the Greek Orthodox faith. Born in Woburn, Massachusetts, he attended Northeastern University and received his Bachelor of Arts in Theology from Holy Cross in 1963.

Several months after his marriage to Presvytera Diane (Xenakis) on January 27, 1963, he was ordained to the priesthood. He served as assistant pastor at St. Vasilios Church in Peabody, Massachusetts, from 1963 to 1965, after which he began a twenty-two-year ministry at Annunciation Cathedral in Houston, Texas.

While in Houston, Fr. Triantafilou and Presvytera Diane established the Annunciation Orthodox School, where he served as Director during his tenure in Houston. He also directed and moderated a live weekly interdenominational radio talk show, Religion on the Line, broadcast throughout the Greater Houston area. He wrote and hosted a weekly radio program, Christian Orthodox Witness, and appeared regularly on the television program Sunday Devotions, produced by the ABC Television affiliate in Houston. It was in Houston, at St. Thomas University, that he received a master's degree in theology.

In 1987, Fr. Triantafilou became the establishing priest of a mission parish, Transfiguration Church, in Austin, Texas, and a mission priest to St. Nicholas Church in El Paso, Texas. He served St. Nicholas Church in El Paso for two and a half years until they received a full-time priest. He remained a mission priest at Transfiguration in Austin until October 1996.

At the start of his service to Transfiguration Church, Father Nick was called upon to fulfill new and more prominent leadership responsibilities. His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos named him Vicar General of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America. In this position he served as Chairman of the Archdiocesan Stewardship Task Force, while also serving in the Department of Economic Development. He served as Archdiocesan Vicar of the Diocese of Atlanta from 1988 to 1990, and of the Diocese of Denver from 1991 to 1992. In 1992, Father Nick became Director of the Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund, and in 1994 was appointed Chancellor of the Archdiocese.

In 1996, Father Triantafilou returned to parish ministry, becoming Dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral in Charlotte, North Carolina. In 1999, he returned to the Boston area to serve as Director of the Boston Diocese Camp and Retreat Center

(known now as the Metropolis of Boston Camp and St. Methodios Faith and Heritage Center). One year after his appointment as President of Hellenic College and Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, Massachusetts, he received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Boston University, where he also delivered the baccalaureate address.

As President, Fr. Triantafilou immediately began to build and expand the mission and ministries of both Hellenic College and Holy Cross. One of his major accomplishments at the start of his presidency was his co-facilitation of the Leadership 100 Scholarship Program. Leadership 100 has contributed over 20 million dollars in scholarships, capital improvements, and programs during his tenure.

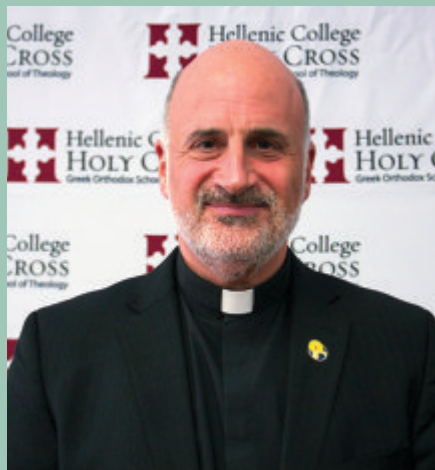
Other major milestones include an ongoing relationship with the National Philoptochos Society that has led to over 2.5 million dollars in funds raised for capital improvements and scholarships over the past 15 years, the establishment of the Kallinikeion Modern Greek Language summer program in 2002, the establishment of the Stephen and Catherine Pappas Patristic Institute in 2003, and that same year, the establishment of the Office of Vocation & Ministry, as well as the start of the CrossRoad Summer Institute.

Under his direction, the Foundation for Hellenic College Holy Cross was established in 2006, the Summer Diaconate Program in 2007, the Mary Jaharis Center for Byzantine Art and Culture in 2008, and the Missions Institute of Orthodox Christianity in 2010.

Fr. Triantafilou currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of International Orthodox Christian Charities. He and Presvytera Diane are the parents of Constantine, Nicole Postolos, and Presvytera Melanie Villis, and the grandparents of nine grandchildren.



## FR. CHRISTOPHER T. METROPULOS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF HELLENIC COLLEGE/HOLY CROSS SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY



The V. Rev. Fr. Christopher T. Metropulos was elected as the next President of Hellenic College/Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology. Following a rigorous search process that began in October 2014, the Board of Trustees of Hellenic College/Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology voted unanimously on May 1, 2015 to elect Fr. Metropulos to succeed the current President, the V. Rev. Fr. Nicholas C. Triantafilou, who after a fifteen-year tenure will retire at the end of June 2015.

“Finding a new president at this particular time was challenging indeed, due to the remarkable accomplishments and tenure of our retiring President, Fr. Triantafilou, who has become the longest running president in the history of HCHC,” said Dr. Thomas C. Lelon, Chairman of the Presidential Search Committee (PSC) and Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

In announcing the election of Fr. Metropulos, His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America said, “I kindly ask for prayers and support for the President-Elect,

and I express the need to work by any and all possible means to continue the very important legacy of the retiring President Fr. Nicholas Triantafilou. I strongly believe that by the contribution of all and the help of God, Hellenic College and Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology will reach new levels of spiritual enhancement and academic achievement.”

Fr. Metropulos has been serving as the Senior Pastor of St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in Fort Lauderdale, Florida since 1989. He holds a BA from Hellenic College, a Master of Divinity from Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, and a Doctor of Ministry from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He founded and has successfully directed OCN (Orthodox Christian Network), a radio and internet ministry under the Episcopal Assembly, and is currently its Executive Director. He has served as Dean of Admissions at Hellenic College/Holy Cross, as the Archdiocesan Representative to the UN and US Missions and to the Archdiocesan Council, as Assistant Regional Director of Leadership 100, and as President of the Archdiocesan Presbyters Council for two consecutive terms. In addition to being a Protopresbyter of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, he is also Protopresbyter of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

The search process initially yielded 41 highly qualified candidates, which was narrowed to 36, and then reduced to 22, ending with 8 semi-finalists at the end of March 2015, who were interviewed for two days off-campus by all members of the PSC. After careful evaluation of the 8 semi-finalists, the PSC determined that two

candidates reached the status of finalist. These two candidates were invited to on-campus visits on April 28-29, 2015, during which they interacted with a cross-section of Hellenic College/Holy Cross’s constituents, including His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America, the Trustees, faculty members from the School of Theology and the College, senior administrators, representatives from the Student Body, and the Alumni Association.

The final steps of the process entailed an intense review of the two finalists by the PSC and the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees. Upon deliberation, the PSC and the Executive Committee forwarded to the Board of Trustees the unanimous nomination of Fr. Metropulos for President. The Board of Trustees at a special meeting and after a thorough consideration of the unanimous nomination of both the PSC and the Executive Committee, unanimously elected Fr. Metropulos.

Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology is one of the primary beneficiaries of Leadership 100 grants. The first \$10 million grant to the Theological School for students studying for the priesthood who are in need of scholarship support was completed and Leadership 100 is now in the process of completing another \$10 million grant - \$1 million per year, subject to renewal. Thus far, \$17 million has been distributed for scholarships. In addition, another \$3 million in funding was provided for the Hellenic College Office of Vocation and Ministry, the Archbishop Iakovos Library and Learning Resource Center, Holy Cross Technology Infrastructure and a Fitness Center.



# LEADERSHIP 100 OVERVIEW

## 2014-2015

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology continues its vital mission to prepare future clergy and lay leaders who demonstrate faith, sensitivity, and compassion as they offer a service of truth and love in the world. Through its graduate degree programs, Holy Cross offers its students a unique opportunity to focus on robust theological studies while growing spiritually and personally developing relationships that last a lifetime.

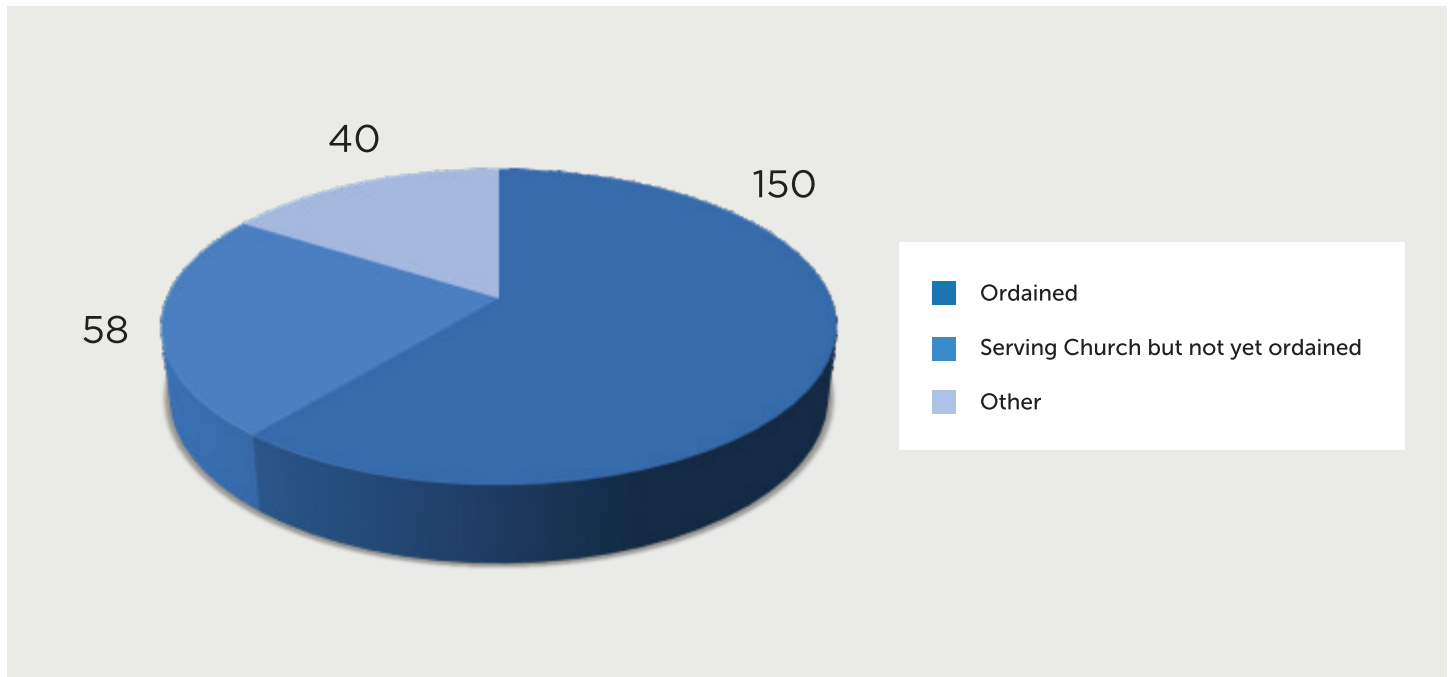
Hellenic College Holy Cross is the intellectual and educational center of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. With both graduate and undergraduate programs for men and women, HCHC prepares Christ-centered

leaders for church, ministry, and industry. For more than fifteen years, Leadership 100 has championed a grant program to provide students the blessed opportunity to concentrate fully on their studies and formation without experiencing a significant financial burden.

# 150

Total number of ordinations among seminarian graduates who received L100 funding

## Breakdown of Leadership 100 Seminarian Graduates



## WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR L100 SEMINARIAN GRANTS?

Seminarians from the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

Good academic standing 3.0 GPA or higher

Completed and submitted all financial aid forms

Effective Fall 2010, all awards are loans to GOA seminarians which convert to grants upon completion of criteria established by L100

Recipients must practice good stewardship, meet application deadlines, and fulfill community service requirements



## BENEFITS OF L100 SUPPORT

At a time when student debt burden is reaching an all-time high, Leadership 100 grants:

- relieve the seminarian debt burden
- connect Greek leaders with future clergy
- train a new generation of Church leadership



## REASONS FOR DELAYED ORDINATION

Waiting to marry

Pursuing advanced studies

Awaiting assignment from hierarch





## NEW GRANTS BRING TOTAL TO MORE THAN \$42 MILLION

The Executive Committee of Leadership 100 approved \$2,670,799 in new grants to be distributed from 2015-2017. The amount, along with previously approved grants, now totals \$3,232,651, bringing the year to date total since the inception of Leadership 100 to \$42,292,163.

The Committee approved \$1,930,243 in new grants to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and \$740,556 in new grants to affiliated organizations. Both included multi-year grants.

The new grants to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese (GOA) include \$300,000 over three years for the Archdiocesan Advisory Committee on Science and Technology (AACST) for the “Addressing Modern Challenges Initiative”; \$300,000 over two years for the Office of Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical & Church-World Affairs for “Faith-Based Diplomacy and Advocacy Initiative” and \$150,000 for one year for the “Inter-Orthodox Enhancement” project to support the upcoming Great and Holy

Synod; \$270,000 for the fifth year of the Camping Ministry Program; \$230,000 for one year to the Department of Marriage and Family for “Renewal of Family Ministry” in the Center for Family Care; \$200,000 for one year to the Department of Finance and Administration for the Archdiocese Committee for Small Parishes “The Small Parish Program”; \$133,200 to the National Finance Committee for “The Orthodox Software Initiative”; \$125,000 for the third year of the GOA “Strategic Plan Project”; \$75,000 for the GOA “Faith and Safety Project”; \$65,000 for the Department of Stewardship, Outreach & Evangelism for the “Outreach and Evangelism: Baseline Project”; \$52,043 for the second year of the Department of Administration “Ministry Updates Project”; and \$30,000 to Ionian Village for the “IV On-the-Go” retreat program.

The new affiliated organization grants include \$250,000 over two years to Orthodox Christian Network for “Enhancing the Multimedia Offerings and

Marketing Effectiveness of Key GOA Departments”; \$118,621 over two years to International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) for the “Serv-X-Treme! National Youth Service Leadership Development Initiative”; \$100,000 for the second year of the Metropolis of Atlanta “Family Life Ministry”; \$100,000 to Fordham University for one year for the Orthodox Christian Studies Center to develop an academic journal dedicated to Orthodox Christian Studies; \$88,200 to Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry (OCPM) for “Proper Training for Ministering to Prisoners and Educational Outreach through Training and Inspirational Videos”; \$63,735 to Project Mexico-St. Innocent Orphanage to create and implement an Intern Development Program; and \$20,000 to the Hellenic Orthodox Church of the Annunciation in Buffalo, New York for one year for the International Commission of Anglican-Orthodox Theological Dialogue.

# GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESAN FELLOWSHIPS ESTABLISHED AT THE UNITED NATIONS

The Department of Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical, and Interfaith Relations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America announced on April 1, 2015, the inauguration of its Faith-Based Diplomacy & Advocacy Initiative.



UN Building

The Initiative establishes a total of four (two for 2015-2016 and two for 2016-2017) year-long Archdiocesan fellowships at the United Nations. All Orthodox Christian graduate and post-graduate students are invited to apply for the stipend fellowships.

The Faith-Based Diplomacy and Advocacy Initiative

was made possible by a Leadership 100 grant of \$300,000, and is meant to help develop future diplomats, policy-makers and advocates by providing them the professional framework upon which to exercise their academic training.

Fellows will focus their work at the United Nations in five main areas: 1) Religious Freedom and Human Rights 2) Environment/Ecology 3) Issues of Equality: Gender, Race, etc. 4) Global Conflict, Peacemaking and Humanitarianism and 5) Health Advocacy.

Among other activities, fellows will have the opportunity to join and participate in the work of United Nations NGO Committees; assist in formulating oral and written Archdiocesan statements and interventions; help plan and host “Side Events” during the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) Functional Commissions; and participate in panel discussions at future Biennial National Clergy-Laity Congresses.

The Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan Council (GOAC) is accredited through the United Nations Department of Public Information (UN DPI) and has General Consultative Status under the Economic and Social Council of the UN (ECOSOC). GOAC has been actively working at the United Nations for 30 years.

# ARCHDIOCESE CREATES ONLINE MINISTRY VIDEO SERIES



Archdiocese Chancellor Bishop Andonios of Phasiane, shown with GOTELECOM Managing Director Marissa Costidis and Senior Producer Director Nick Furriss, gave the presentation about his office and St. Michael's Home, where he serves as the director.

The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Department of Administration, in cooperation with GOTELECOM, has produced a series of videos highlighting the work of several ministries and departments with a grant of \$109,085 from Leadership 100.



During the video shoot, Nick Furriss and Jimmy Imperiadis go over the script about the Finance Department with Director George Papadakos.

The 2-to 3-minute videos feature presentations by directors of each ministry describing the projects, resources and work of the Archdiocese departments, including Orthodox Observer, Communications, GOTELECOM, Finance, Greek Education, News and Information, the Chancellery, St. Michael's Home, Registry, Science and Technology, Internet Ministries and Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

The videos are available to all viewers, Orthodox Christians and those from other faiths. To view the series, visit: <http://ministryupdates.goarch.org>



## LEADERSHIP 100 ENDOWMENT FUND 1989 - 2015 GRANTS

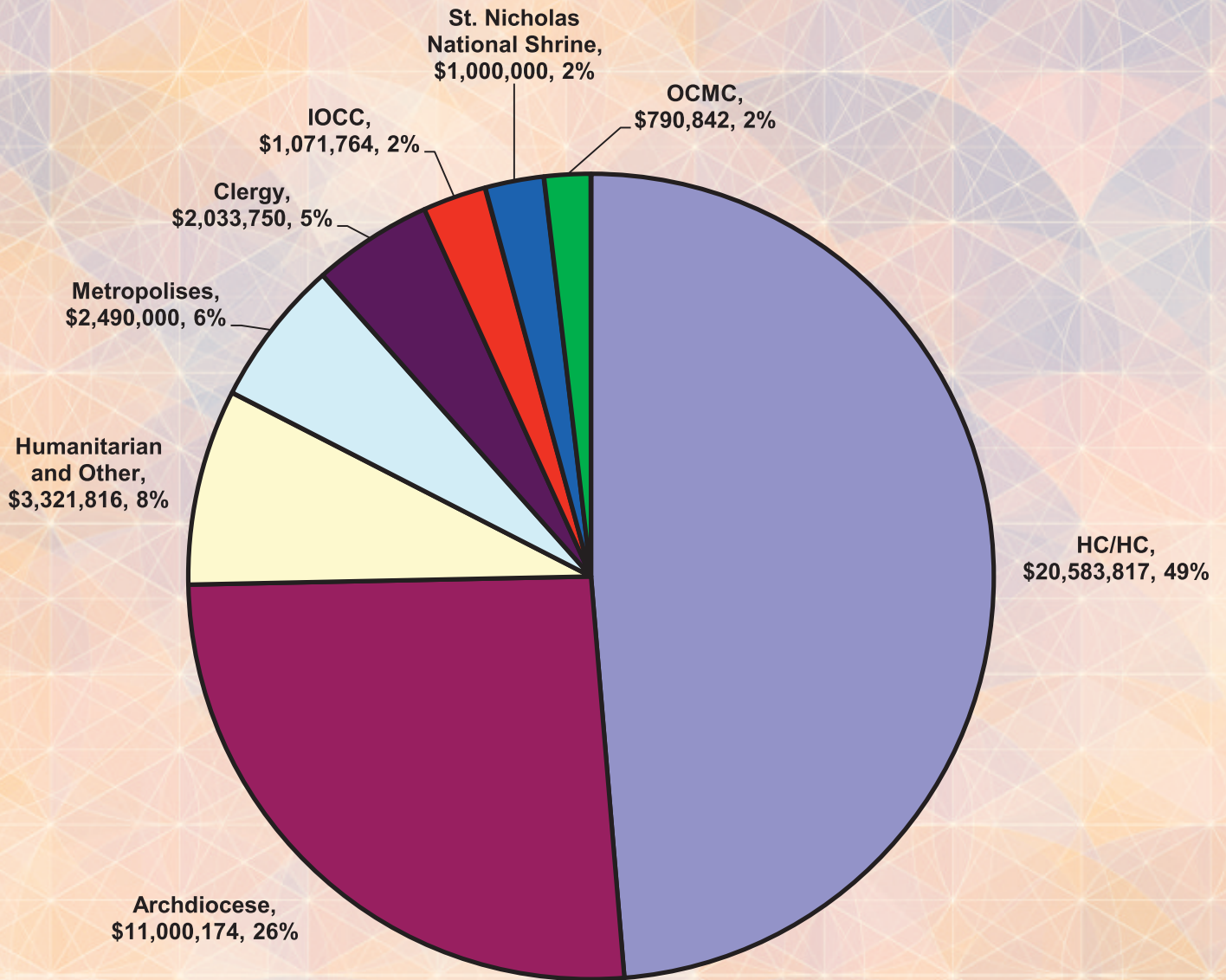
<b>Hellenic College / Holy Cross School of Theology</b>		<b>\$ 20,583,817</b>
Hellenic College / Holy Cross Scholarship Program *		17,403,617
Archbishop Iakovos Library Fund		1,000,000
Hellenic College / Holy Cross Technology Infrastructure		1,000,000
Hellenic College / Holy Cross (various grants)		733,600
Hellenic College - Office of Vocation and Ministry		311,600
Leadership 100 Fitness Center at Hellenic College / Holy Cross		
Gifts from Leadership 100 Members		135,000
<b>Greek Orthodox Archdiocese</b>		<b>\$ 11,000,174</b>
Marriage and Family		1,677,990
Internet Ministry and Technology Infrastructure		1,561,700
Outreach & Evangelism / Home Missions		1,271,600
Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical & Interfaith Relations		1,075,000
Archdiocese Administration, Management, and Leadership Training		1,034,786
Greek Orthodox Telecommunications		879,500
Youth, Young Adult, and Camping Ministries		851,330
Parish Development and Stewardship		658,241
Communications		648,250
Religious Education		632,068
Archives		400,000
Greek Education		165,000
Radio Ministry		75,409
St. Basil Academy (Archpastorate of Archbishop Michael)		69,300
<b>Humanitarian Assistance and Other Grants</b>		<b>\$ 3,321,816</b>
September 11 Relief Fund (including gifts from Leadership 100 members)		587,550
The Ecumenical Patriarchate (Various Grants)		415,000
Orthodox Christian Network		325,000
Greek Fire Relief Fund (including gifts from Leadership 100 members)		300,129
Institute on Religion and World Affairs of Boston University -		260,040
Various Ministries		253,335
Video Documentaries		219,680
National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians		208,000
Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry		162,882
Patriarch Athenagoras Orthodox Institute		157,200
Fordham University - Orthodox Christian Studies Center		133,000
Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund		100,000
Greek Earthquake Relief Fund		100,000
Primary Health Care in Southern Albania (SAE)		100,000

<b>Metropolis Ministries</b>	<b>\$ 2,490,000</b>
Metropolis Youth Camps	1,350,000
Metropolis Ministries Outreach	540,000
Metropolis of Boston - Emerging Leaders Ministry	200,000
Metropolis of San Francisco - Family Wellness Center	200,000
Metropolis of Atlanta - Family Life Ministry	200,000
<b>Clergy</b>	<b>\$ 2,033,750</b>
Increased Retired Clergy Pensions	895,500
Eliminated Student Loans of Active Priests	885,000
Archdiocesan Presbyters Council - Clergy Retreats, Wellness, Continuing Education, and Publications	174,000
Presbyters Council Benevolent Fund	49,250
National Presvyteres Retreat	30,000
<b>International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)</b>	<b>\$ 1,071,764</b>
International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)	950,814
Hurricane Katrina Relief (including gifts from Leadership 100 members)	120,950
<b>Special Gift to The St. Nicholas National Shrine</b>	<b>\$ 1,000,000</b>
<b>Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC)</b>	<b>\$ 790,842</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 42,292,163</b>

\* As of January, 2015, 150 recipients of Leadership 100 scholarships are graduates that have been ordained, 71 seminarians are still in School, and 58 recipients have graduated and are working for the Church in some capacity.

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**TOTAL GRANTS DISTRIBUTED SINCE INCEPTION: \$42,292,163.**





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## GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

April 13, 2015

Mr. George Tsandikos, Chairman  
Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund  
Olympic Tower  
645 Fifth Avenue  
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Tsandikos, Esteemed Board of Directors, and Members of Leadership 100,

*Χριστός Ανέστη! Christ is Risen!*

I greet you with the ancient salutation and affirmation of faith that has echoed in a multitude of languages through the centuries in candle light glistening churches around the globe. It is a message that transcends the confines of geographic boundaries, that liberates us from the limitations of human existence, and restores in us the living and loving and eternal presence of God.

In the radiant light of the Lord's Resurrection, I write to you to convey my heartfelt appreciation for your valued offering of \$1,145,243.00 in support of the National Ministries of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. This support advances Orthodoxy and Hellenism by building upon the capacity of the Archdiocese to provide a broad spectrum of ministry; to exercise responsible stewardship and inspire response of thanksgiving; to engage the younger generations in active participation in the growth of their faith; and to extend the philanthropic reach of our Archdiocese.

I am most obliged by the benevolence of you, the members of Leadership 100, who steadfastly support the advancement of Orthodoxy and Hellenism in America. I thank each of you for your generosity and pray that you may carry the invincible power of Christ's Resurrection in your hearts all the days of your lives.

With paternal love in Christ,

+ DEMETRIOS  
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## GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

June 1, 2015

Mr. George Tsandikos, Chairman  
Miss Paulette Poulos, Executive Director  
Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund  
Olympic Tower  
645 Fifth Avenue  
Suite 906  
New York, New York 10022

Dear Mr. Tsandikos and Miss Paulette,

I write to you today to thank you for the letter of May 21, 2015 that apprised me of the positive news of the Executive Committee's approval of the pending grants from the Department of Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical, and Interfaith Relations; The Department of Marriage and Family Center for Family Care; and the Department of Finance and Administration.

Please know how appreciative I am of the support of \$580,000 for the innovative programming outlined in the proposals. I am also thankful of the Executive Committee decision to approve the funding for the International Commission of Anglican-Orthodox Theological Dialogue scheduled for September in Buffalo, New York.

I offer to each of you the gratitude of the Church for your dedicated service in promotion of our precious faith and culture in this great land. With my heartfelt best wishes that your lives may continue to be filled with Christian purpose and effort and enriched by the bountiful blessings of God, I remain

With paternal love and  
esteem in Christ,

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GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF BOSTON  
ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΒΟΣΤΩΝΗΣ

June 23, 2015

Mr. George Tsandikos  
Ms. Paulette Poulos  
And the Leadership 100 Family  
Olympic Tower 645 Fifth Avenue, Suite 906  
New York, NY 10022

Dear George, Paulette and Friends,

Please accept my heartfelt gratitude for your generous grant in the amount of \$30,000 for the Metropolis of Boston Summer Camp Scholarship Fund from Leadership 100. Your generosity allows us to offer scholarships to children who enjoy a life changing experience at our camp.

May God continue to bless you with health, joy, peace, and every heavenly gift.

With Archpastoral love,

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GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF DENVER

June 3, 2015

Ms. Paulette Poulos, Exec. Director  
Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100  
Olympic Tower  
645 Fifth Ave., Ste. 906  
New York, NY 10022

Dear Paulette,

On behalf of Deacon Paul Zaharas, the Metropolis of Denver Youth Director and me, please accept my deepest thanks to George Tsandikos and to you for the thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) which will be used for our summer Camp Emmanuel program.

Due to the fact that this Metropolis covers one-third of the continental United States, most of our young people—at least about two hundred every year—must fly to Albuquerque, and from there to be driven to the camp which is almost one hour away. This is basically why we try to keep the registration of all campers as low as we can, without considering any significant net gain at the end of the two sessions. We are truly grateful for the Leadership 100 grant.

Paulette, please accept my thanks to you and to George also for the truly beautiful arrangement of flowers for my name day on May 9. The flowers lasted for all of the month of May! They were truly magnificent.

May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless you with His truly rich blessings filled with His peace and spiritual joy in your holy ministry, as a most dedicated servant of His holy Church. Please extend my love to George.

With love in Christ,

Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver

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**GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF SAN FRANCISCO**  
**ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΑΓΙΟΥ ΦΡΑΓΚΙΣΚΟΥ**

June 16, 2015  
 @Tychon the Wonderworker

Mr. George Tsandikos, Chairman  
 Ms. Paulette Poulos, Executive Director  
 Leadership 100  
 645 Fifth Avenue, Suite 906  
 New York, NY 10022

Dear Mr. Tsandikos, Ms. Poulos and Esteemed Members of Leadership 100,

May the grace and peace of Jesus Christ be with you always!

Please accept my sincere gratitude for the generous grant of \$30,000 which was received by the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco on June 1, 2015. This exceptional yearly grant by Leadership 100 ensures the success of our Metropolis Summer Camp program as it is utilized for scholarships for deserving youth with financial need and for some camp programming expenses in order to provide our youth with the best summer camp experience possible.

Summer Camp is a unique ministry in which our youth are immersed in their faith, surrounded by the peaceful hills of Saint Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center, and inspired by young adults who impart to them many valuable life lessons while enriching their faith in Jesus Christ. Truly, this is a life-changing experience and through your ongoing support, you will once again impact the lives of youth who otherwise would not have this opportunity.

May the Lord continue to bless the entire Leadership 100 family with His mercy, grace and peace, and may your vision for the growth of the Orthodox Church always be inspired and guided by His infinite love.

With Love in Christ,

*Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco*  
 Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco



**GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY**  
**ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΗΣ**

June 2, 2015

Mr. George Tsandikos, Chairman  
 Ms. Paulette Poulos, Executive Director  
 Leadership 100 • Olympic Tower  
 645 Fifth Avenue Suite 906  
 New York, NY 10022

My Beloved,

I pray my letter finds you well, both spiritually and physically experiencing all of God's blessings.

It was with abundant joy that I received your most generous donation in the amount of \$30,000 from a Leadership 100 Grant, earmarked for the camping program of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey.

Please accept my deepest expression of gratitude for this very generous donation towards our Metropolis Camp, Camp Good Shepherd. Please know these funds will be used in order to ensure that every child that wishes to attend Camp Good Shepherd is able to do so, regardless of their families' financial situation. Camp Good Shepherd continues to grow by leaps and bounds, with more children participating every year and with this generous donation the camp will continue to be successful, and continue its mission to minister to the youth of the Metropolis of New Jersey.

I thank you and all the members of Leadership 100 for your continued service to our Church and your commitment to the Orthodox Faith. Through your faith, hard work and dedication our youth will continue to have the opportunities to be educated in our Holy Orthodox Faith, grow closer to Christ and develop lifelong friendships with other Orthodox youth.

Praying that our loving Lord will continue to bless you and the other members with abundant grace, I remain

With Paternal Love and Gratitude,

*Evangelos*  
 †EVANGELOS  
 Metropolitan of New Jersey



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April 16, 2015

Mr. George S. Tsandikos, Chairman  
 Miss Paulette Poulos, Executive Director  
 Leadership 100  
 645 Fifth Ave, Suite 906  
 New York, NY 10022

Dear Mr. Tsandikos and Miss Poulos,

Christ is Risen! Χριστός Ανέστη! Greetings in Risen to you and all the faithful members of Leadership 100.

I am writing on behalf of the Archdiocesan Presbyters Council to thank you for your generous \$45,000 grant for this year's National Clergy Retreat. The members of the APC and its 2015 APC National Clergy Retreat Team deeply appreciate the support Leadership 100 has offered for not only the retreat but for the clergy and their families in so many ways. In particular, the Retreat has grown tremendously in numbers, quality and impact on clergy lives, ministries and families since Leadership 100 began providing support for the event in 2011, and we are dedicated to using the funds to continue bearing such fruit.

As I stated in my letter of request earlier this year, I have personally seen ministry-renewing, marriage-saving and life-changing results in many of the hundreds of brother clergy who have attended these retreat. We are expecting our largest attendance ever this year and we will be working diligently to make it the best experience possible for each participant.

I and the Retreat Team will be following up with a post-retreat report as usual so you and the Leadership 100 members can see the benefits and the blessings provided by your support.

Sincerely yours in the Risen Christ,

*John Touloumes*  
 Father John Touloumes  
 President, Archdiocesan Presbyters Council

"THE SOUL OF A PRIEST OUGHT TO BLAZE LIKE A LIGHT ILLUMINATING THE WORLD." St. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (390-407 AD)



*Lou Kircos, Master of Ceremonies, introduces program and speakers.*



*Metropolitan Nicholas charges Marianna Zampetis Budman as future leader.*



*Theodore K. Zampetis addresses gathering.*



*Thomas G. Jordan addresses gathering.*

## MEMBERSHIP EVENT HELD IN DETROIT

On June 18, 2015, a Leadership 100 Informational Dinner was held at the prestigious Detroit Athletic Club in Detroit, Michigan. Among the 25 distinguished guests were clergy and Leadership 100 members.

The event was coordinated by Theodore K. Zampetis, Host and Executive Committee Member, Thomas G. Jordan, Treasurer and Executive Committee Member and Lou

Kircos, Audit Committee Member and Master of Ceremonies.

His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas expressed his enthusiasm and gratitude to Leadership 100 for its support to the National Ministries, Metropolises, Clergy and the Theological School.

In addition, Ted Zampetis thanked everyone for attending and recognized his beloved granddaughter Marianna who he and his wife Ann enrolled as a Leadership 100 Junior Partner at the age of 4 indicating that she is part of the future of Leadership 100. He publicly acknowledged Beck

Demery who, together with her beloved husband Tom of blessed memory, joined as individual members from the inception of Leadership 100.

Tom Jordan spoke about the transparency of Leadership 100 and the assurance that the Audit Committee works in conjunction with the Investment Committee to oversee all financials of the organization.

Paulette Poulos, Executive Director of Leadership 100, conveyed on behalf of Chairman George Tsandikos, deep appreciation to Metropolitan Nicholas and the hosts and coordinators of the evening. She spoke about the history and mission of Leadership 100 and its vital role in the Greek Orthodox Church of America.

## GEORGE D. BEHRAKIS PHILANTHROPY FEATURED IN VIDEO



*George D. Behrakis presented with award of The Hellenic Initiative by Ambassador Eleni Tsakopoulos Kounalakis.*

**G**reek Reporter featured the philanthropy of George D. Behrakis, Chairman Emeritus of Leadership 100, in a video on their website titled “The Strategy of Philanthropy: George D. Behrakis”. The video can be accessed at <http://usa.greekreporter.com/2015/06/03/the-strategist-of-philanthropy-george-d-behrakis/>

The accompanying article describes Behrakis as a legend in the pharmaceutical industry who has given away tens of millions of dollars “of his well-earned money.” In the video he is asked about philanthropy, Hellenism in America, the Greek American legacy and his belief that Greeks need to “give back more.”

“Greeks always go for the gold, not the silver or the bronze,” he memorably stated, according to the article when he was honored by The Hellenic Initiative last fall. He stated that. “If I had listened to what people used to tell me, I would never have been successful.”

The article reprises his entrepreneurial career in the development of new effective drugs such as Tylenol, and Volmax for asthma, beginning his own company, Dooner Laboratories with minimal funding from friends and relatives, selling it nine years later and opening Muro Pharmaceuticals, a highly successful company which he sold in 1996.

“Greek Americans need a legacy in the United States. I strongly believe that,” says Behrakis, who has devoted his time to philanthropy after retiring from the pharmaceutical business, mainly through The Behrakis Foundation. He says the best reward he receives is when young Greeks get a sense of pride through his philanthropy.

A native of Lowell, Massachusetts, Behrakis cites the inspiration of his parents who were of modest means but gave what they could to their church. He and his wife, Margo, have made major donations including to Northeastern University where he studied pharmacy, to build the most modern Health and Sciences Center in the United States, an 84,000 square-foot complex. In mid-2009, the couple made a \$10 million donation to establish the George D. and Margo Behrakis Wing at Boston’s Museum of Fine Arts.

His latest philanthropical endeavor is fighting smoking in Greece. He provided funding and is personally involved along with Harvard University in a national anti-smoking campaign in Greece in cooperation with the Hellenic Cancer Society and Dr. Panagiotis Behrakis, a well-respected pulmonary physician there.

In 2012, Behrakis received an honorary degree from Hellenic College in Brookline, MA and another from Drexel University in Philadelphia. He was presented with the Greek Heritage Award by The American College of Greece, recognizing his contributions to promoting Hellenism.

## ARTHUR C. ANTON SR. DELIVERS LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS



*Arthur C. Anton, Sr.*

Arthur C. Anton, Sr., a Founder and Chairman Emeritus of Leadership 100, gave the Commencement Address at Lowell High School in Lowell, MA, on June 3, 2015, where he had graduated as class valedictorian in 1943.

Celebrated for his business leadership in having turned

Anton’s Cleaners, the dry-cleaning business started by his father, into the largest operation of its kind in New England, he is a renowned philanthropist. He created initiatives such as Coats for Kids, which has collected, cleaned and distributed some 800,000 coats and Belle of the Ball, a prom-dress drive that distributes dresses to students for their proms.

Anton, who retired as President of Anton’s Cleaners, celebrates his 90th birthday on July 6, and remains active on the Archdiocesan Council of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and as an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Order of Saint Andrew, besides his continuing role in Leadership 100.

In his address to the 2015 graduating class, Anton lay down four principles. First, “Pay attention to everything 24/7, be in the game always”; second, “Set your goals high”; third, “Do the right thing every time”; and fourth, “Don’t manage, lead!” He ended by saying that he now had a special relationship with the class and that he would be paying attention to their accomplishments and achievements.

## LEADERSHIP 100 MEMBERS AWARDED ELLIS ISLAND MEDALS OF HONOR

Ellis Island Medals of Honor were awarded to Theodore K. Zampetis of Bloomfield Hills, MI, a member of the Leadership 100 Executive Committee and Chairman of both the Membership Committee and Leadership 100 Sunday, and Nikiforos Valaskantjis of San Clemente, CA, a Leadership 100 member, in ceremonies on May 9, 2015 on Ellis Island.



*Ted Zampetis with granddaughter Marianna*

Zampetis, retired president of Shiloh Industries, a supplier to automakers in North America, was instrumental in developing global expansion strategies with key automotive and appliance markets for the company, as well as maintaining relationships with business leaders throughout the world. He is Chairman of the Board of the TK Zampetis Family Foundation and an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Order of Saint Andrew

Valaskantjis is a Real Estate and Restaurant Entrepreneur. His philanthropy includes hosting Kids 'n' Cancer and support of Camp Agape embodying his belief that faith in God aided in his success, that the young are the future of the faith and that giving to the Church must be shown by example. He is an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Order of Saint Andrew.



*Nikiforos Valaskantjis with wife, Georgia.*

Zampetis and Valaskantjis were among 99 recipients at the ceremony. The 100th recipient was Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Sandra Day O'Connor, who could not attend and was awarded the Medal on April 17, 2105.

Ellis Island Medals of Honor are sponsored by the National Ethnic Coalition of Organizations (NECO) and are presented annually to American citizens who have distinguished themselves within their own ethnic groups while exemplifying the values of the American way of life.

Past medalists have included six U.S. Presidents, one foreign president, Nobel Prize winners and leaders in industry, education, the arts, sports and government, as well as many members of Leadership 100, including its current Chairman, George S. Tsandikos, and Vice Chairman, Argyris Vassiliou.

## C. DEAN METROPOULOS FEATURED IN FORBES MAGAZINE

C. Dean Metropoulos, a long-time member of Leadership 100, was featured in Forbes Magazine's May 4, 2015 edition, appearing on the cover. The article noted his ingenuity, capital and creative chemistry for engineering the rebirth of bankrupt Hostess Brands, and its signature oblong Twinkies cream-filled yellow snack cake.

Along with Apollo Global's Andy Jhawar, Metropoulos was credited for recognizing the brand awareness and ubiquity of the 150-year-old company that had \$1 billion in revenue before bankruptcy and turning a \$410 million investment for

the cake brands division, plus another \$250 million to rehabilitate the business, into an expected \$2 billion windfall.



In being freed from the crushing costs of 36 factories, 5,600 delivery routes, 19,000 jobs and insurmountable pension costs, Hostess was reduced to three state-of-the-art automated factories and their business concept made the company

“one of the most efficient and effective in the entire food industry,” according to the Forbes article.

Metropoulos is credited with turning battered food brands into profitable companies. Over 35 years, he has rehabilitated dozens of businesses, including PAM cooking spray, Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer, Bumble Bee Tuna, and Chef Boyardee. Having emigrated with his family from Greece when he was 10 years old, he went on to earn a B.A. and M.B.A. from Babson College and pursued a Ph.D. in International Finance at Columbia University, working at General Telephone & Electronics (later to merge with Bell Atlantic to form Verizon). After traveling worldwide for GTE, he made his first American acquisition, a cheese company, and devoted himself to food brands, teaming up with a private equity firm and forming his own company. His two sons, Evan and Daren, joined him in the family business, and have made their mark with profitable acquisitions and marketing promotions.

## DENNIS MEHIEL PRESENTED WITH HOLY TRINITY AWARD



*L to R, John Catsimatidis, Archbishop Demetrios, Karen and Dennis Mehiel and Fr. John Vlahos.*

**D**ennis Mehiel, a prominent New York business and civic leader and a long-time member of Leadership 100, was presented with the Holy Trinity Award at the 80th Archdiocesan Cathedral Gala at Guastavino's on E. 59th St. in New York City on June 5, 2015. After an introduction by John Catsimatidis, member of the Executive Committee of Leadership 100, Mehiel was presented with the award by His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, V. Rev. Fr. John Vlahos, Dean of the Cathedral and Dean Poll, President of the Cathedral Board. Leadership 100 members Stella Pantelidis and Justin Bozonelis served as co-chairs.

Mehiel is the Principal Shareholder and Chairman of U.S. Corrugated, Inc., Managing Member of Four M Capital, LLC and former Chairman, CEO and Principal Shareholder of BOX USA, which he founded in 1966. He is also an investor and director of numerous other innovative technological enterprises. He was appointed Chairman and CEO of the Battery Park City Authority (BPCA) by New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo in 2012. BPCA operates a 92-acre property created when the World Trade Center was constructed 40 years ago. The site contains 10 million square feet of commercial space and residential properties with a population of 14,000, along with parks and other public spaces.

A renowned philanthropist and public advocate, he is a former member of the Milano School of Management and Urban Policy at the New School University, a member of Business Executives and a former trustee of Westchester Medical Center and has served on numerous boards of educational institutions and organizations in the Tri-State area. Long active in political life, he served for 12 years as a member of the Democratic National Committee.

A member of the Holy Trinity Cathedral, Mehiel is a former member of the Archdiocesan Council, and a current member of Faith: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism. An Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Order of Saint Andrew, he is a recipient of the Medal of St. Paul, the highest honor awarded to a layperson by the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America.

## DRAKE BEHRAKIS RECEIVES BOSTON COLLEGE HIGHEST ALUMNI HONOR

**D**rake G. Behrakis, a member of the Leadership 100 Board of Trustees and a 1986 graduate of Boston College, was presented with the William V. McKenney Award, the highest honor bestowed by the Alumni Association of the University, at the Boston Park Plaza Hotel on June 4, 2015.



*Drake Behrakis*

Behrakis was one of six recipients at a ceremony led by William P. Leahy, S.J., Boston College President and the Board of Trustees and Alumni Association.

Created in 1936 and named in honor of its first recipient, the William V. McKenney Award recognizes a Boston College graduate "whose outstanding service to a chosen profession, community or cause reflects honor on the University."

Behrakis is President of Marwick Associates, a real estate investment and development company located in Lexington, Mass. Marwick is the real estate arm of a family owned, privately held investment company. Behrakis is also active in the Behrakis Foundation, the family's philanthropic vehicle.

Prior to establishing Marwick, Behrakis held various positions with Muro Pharmaceutical Inc. and the Gillette Company.

Behrakis has a bachelor's degree in finance from Boston College and an MBA from Northeastern University. Besides Leadership 100, he serves on the Boards of Boston College and the Hellenic Initiative. He is also on the Board of Overseers at Brigham & Women's Hospital and serves on the Fordham University Orthodox Christian Studies Center Advisory Council. He is an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Order of Saint Andrew.

In 2002, Behrakis established the Maria E. and Drake G. Behrakis '86 Fellowship for Study in Greece Fund at Boston College. In 2007, he sponsored the Behrakis Family Classical Studies Symposium and, in 2011, the Behrakis Professor in Hellenic Political Studies Fund.

Behrakis' engagement as both a volunteer and as a donor to Boston College has expanded throughout the years. He served as co-chair of his 20th and 25th reunion gift committees and has supported Pops on the Heights and the Wall Street Council Tribute Dinner. He volunteers time to the senior class gift committee challenge, serves on the buildings and properties and university advancement committees as a member of the Board of Trustees, chairs the Hellenic Alumni Network Affinity Group; and is a Flynn Fund member.

Behrakis resides with his wife, Maria, and three children, George, Zoe, and Demetri, in Sudbury, Mass.

### DR. EFSTRATIADIS RECEIVES ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT



*Stilianos Efstratiadis MD*

**S**tilianos Efstratiadis, MD, FACC, FSCAI, Board Certified Interventional Cardiologist at Quincy Medical Group, a member of Leadership 100, has been appointed as Assistant Professor of Medicine-Cardiology, in the Cardiovascular Division at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Barnes-Jewish Hospital. The prestigious faculty appointment took effect July 1, 2014.

Dr. Efstratiadis is a Diplomate of the American Board of Internal Medicine, American Board of Cardiovascular Disease and American Board of Interventional Cardiology. He joined Quincy Medical Group in 2009 and received his medical degree from the University of Trieste School of Medicine, Italy, in 1997.

He completed his Internal Medicine Residency at University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics in Iowa City, IA in 2005. He also completed a Cardiovascular Disease and Interventional Cardiology Fellowship at University of Utah Hospitals and Clinics in Salt Lake City, Utah in 2009, both ranked among the Best Hospitals in the Nation by U.S. News & World Report. He is an expert in cardiovascular procedures with extensive experience of thousands of complex heart cases.

Washington University School of Medicine employs 2,100 personnel and volunteer faculty physicians who also are the medical staff of Barnes-Jewish Hospital and St. Louis Children's Hospital. The School of Medicine is one of the leading medical research, teaching and patient-care institutions in the nation, and currently ranked sixth in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. Through its affiliations with Barnes-Jewish and St. Louis Children's Hospitals, The School of Medicine is linked to BJC HealthCare.

### MARGO CATSIMATIDIS HONORED



*Margo Catsimatidis*

**M**argo Catsimatidis, a longtime member of Leadership 100, was honored for her support of The Association of Community Employment Programs for the Homeless (ACE). ACE works with homeless men and women throughout New York City, providing job training, work experience and a lifetime support network to help program participants achieve their goals and establish economic independence.

### ELENI TSAKOPOULOS KOUNALAKIS PUBLISHES MEMOIR



*Eleni Tsakopoulos Kounalakis*

**E**leni Tsakopoulos Kounalakis, a longtime member of Leadership 100, has published a memoir, *Madame Ambassador: Three Years of Diplomacy, Dinner Parties, and Democracy in Budapest*. She served as U.S. Ambassador to Hungary from January 7, 2010 to July 20, 2013.

The memoir, released on May 5, 2015, recounts her experiences being vetted for the position with no background in diplomacy, attending an ambassador "charm school" and an intensive training session. However, in taking up her assignment in the former Soviet satellite, she feels that nothing could have prepared her for the realities of life in Hungary.

A property developer, Kounalakis is faced with organizing dinners and diplomatic meetings while her husband, Markos, a journalist, is discouraged from attending diplomats' spouses' gatherings. Her children, meanwhile, are faced with unexpected challenges at a new school.

Politically active, Kounalakis served as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention four times. She and her husband founded two university chairs in Hellenic Studies, at Georgetown and Stanford Universities, and a lecture series at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. She has been awarded the Medal of St. Paul by the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America.



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## EULA CARLOS PASSES AWAY



Eula Carlos, a former member of the Leadership 100 Board of Trustees, passed away on May 22, 2015. Born Eula Caras on July 17, 1928 in Cordele, GA, she moved to Atlanta with her family 15 months later and became a life-long member of the Greek Orthodox Annunciation Cathedral.

She married Andrew C. Carlos, her husband of 50 years and a prominent businessman on January 23, 1949. He predeceased her. He was also a leading philanthropist and an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Order of Saint Andrew. In his memory, Eula Carlos became the sole benefactor of the

Chapel of Saint Andrew at the Holy Transfiguration Church in Marietta, GA.

Active in the Ladies Philoptochos Society and president for several terms, she was a member of the National Board for some 30 years. She became the first major steward with a \$1 million gift to the League of Faithful Orthodox Stewards (LOFOS) of Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology and continued to support the school throughout her life.

She also established a Chair in Hellenic Studies at Georgia State University in Atlanta and served on the Board of the St. Photios National Shrine in St. Augustine, Florida. A long-time volunteer and supporter of Shepherd Spinal Center, she established The

Andrew C. Carlos Multiple Sclerosis Institute and also was a founding member of Visiting Nurse/Hospice Atlanta, Georgia's largest Homecare and Hospice provider. Its inpatient hospice facility has been named The Andrew and Eula Carlos Hospice Atlanta Center.

She is also predeceased by her eldest son, Chris and survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Jimmy and Helen Carlos, her son and daughter-in-law, John and Elaine Carlos, her daughter and son-in-law, Helen Carlos and Ron Hilliard, her daughter-in-law Marina Carlos and her brother and sister-in-law Billy and Betty Caras, as well as granddaughters Kari, Jordan, Angela, Drew and Andrea.

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