

## **Saint Catherine Greek Orthodox Church – 2019 Ministries**

**Liturgical Ministry** The Sacraments, Divine Liturgies and other liturgical services are supported by the Ministries of the Chanters, Choir, and the Acolytes.

**Parish Council** Its mission: To represent Christ and the Orthodox Faith to all whom they meet in all aspects of life. The Parish Council is the administrative body of the parish elected by its stewards for the purpose of working together with the Parish Priest in fulfilling the mission and goals of the parish. To be a good council member, one must be active in the worship and sacramental life of the Church. The best candidates are easy to find - they are in church.

**Saint Catherine Philoptochos** Its mission: As the philanthropic arm of our church, to provide assistance to parishioners in need. They also support the Metropolis and Archdiocese ministries which provide assistance to many organizations.

**Sunday School** Its mission: To teach the Orthodox Christian faith and worship to our children via classes and activities.

**Greek School** Its mission: To teach the language and culture of Greece. Our Greek School teaches our faith and values as part of its mission.

**Study Group(s)** The Thursday morning "Orthodoxy Today" and the evening "Discover Orthodoxy" in the Hellenic Cultural Center (HCC).

**GOYA** Its mission: To strengthen the relationship of young Orthodox Christians with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The programs revolve around four (4) areas: Worship, Fellowship, Service, and Witness. We have a local program and participate in the District GOYA organization with parishes from Fort Pierce to Kendall (South Miami).

**"Heart of Greece" Dance Group** Its mission: To teach the dances of the various parts of Greece to the youth authentically. The youth learn how to present their performances in a professional manner to those in attendance. The youth learn via techniques of mentorship under the supervision of the adult advisors.

**Ministry to Seniors** Its mission: To reach seniors who are experiencing difficulties and those who are not able to attend our services and events due to infirmity. This is a developing ministry led by our parish and AHEPA.

### **Communications Ministry**

- The weekly Phone Tree message
- The weekly printed Sunday bulletin
- Streaming of our scheduled liturgical services
- The monthly "Lamplighter" newsletter which is mailed to our members and posted on our website
- The parish website (updated weekly)
- The parish Facebook page
- The weekly electronic Sunday bulletin is emailed and is available on our website.
- The Visitation Ministry

**Organizations:** AHEPA, Daughters of Penelope, Senior Citizens Club, Cretan Society