

# Did you know...

When the Holy Altar is consecrated, a reliquary with the relics of three Holy Martyrs are placed in an opening in the Holy Altar. Before the Holy Relics are placed in the Holy Altar, a scroll will be placed in the same opening and then sealed together with the Holy Relics to remain for as long as the Chapel exists.



- What is on the scroll? **The scroll contains the names of the Godparents of the Church.**
- Who is a Godparent? **Godparents are those who are stewards of St John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church as of October 1, 2019.**
- Are children included? **Children who have not yet graduated from college are included.**
- Are young adults included? **Young adults who have completed college and are employed should be stewards in their own right by October 1st and can sign the scroll for themselves.**
- How will instances of financial difficulty be handled? **Such cases will be reviewed individually and privately.**
- Who will sign the scroll? **In families with small children, one person should sign for the family. Older children can sign themselves.**
- Should baptismal names be used? **Yes, only baptismal names should be used.**
- Can names be written in English? **Yes, i.e. Georgios, Maria, Evangelia, Nikolaos, Kostandinos**
- What about last names? **Last names are not necessary.**
- When can we sign the scroll? **The scroll will be available to sign, as follows:  
Vespers on Saturday, October 12th and 19th, 5-7pm  
After the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, October 13th and 20th, 12-1pm**
- Where can I find a Stewardship pledge card? **Stewardship pledge cards are available in the office and at the Stewardship Kiosk outside the gym.**

# Did you know...

As anyone who has attended Divine Liturgy in the Chapel knows, seating is limited. There are 278 chairs in the Chapel, so seating for the Consecration will be challenging.

The Ushering and Consecration Committees are working closely together to assure that everyone who wants to attend the Consecration Service will be able to participate either in the Guardian Angel Chapel or the main Church which will have live-streaming of the service.



Who will sit in the Guardian Angel Chapel for the Consecration service?

**Guests who have been invited to attend including families of clergy who are participating in the service, those involved in the design and construction of the Chapel (and members of the parish who have a close connection to the Chapel). The Philoptochos Board, Parish Council, Sunday Church school, Greek School and Guardian Angel Day school staff, those who are involved with the administration of the parish along with others who have been an important part of the St John family for many years.**

How will you know if you have been invited?

**An invitation will be sent to all those who have been asked to sit in the Chapel. Once responses are received, seats will be assigned.**

Will families be invited to sit in the Chapel?

**Families with children who are in 3rd grade or younger will be asked to sit in the main Church. This will help to avoid disruptions during the service and allow the families some leeway of movement for restless little one.**

What about everyone who has not been invited to sit in the Chapel?

**Since the Chapel will not be filled by invitees, a process has been created to allow all our Church family the opportunity to sit in the Chapel.**

What is the process?

**A large clipboard will be available at the Consecration Banquet table. There will be a numbered sheet with space for your name, phone number and email address. Please list both names of married couples on the same line. When all the invited guests have been assigned seats, a random drawing by number will be held. The parishioners with the numbers drawn will be contacted about their seat(s) in the Chapel.**

When should names be submitted?

**Names should be submitted by Sunday, October 13th. This will give the committee time to assure invitations are received in a timely manner.**