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ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΣ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑ ΑΓΙΟΥ ΑΘΑΝΑΣΙΟΥ

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IERATIKOS PROESTAMENOS

September 22, 2020

Dear Parishioners,

We hope this letter finds you and your families in good health and able to enjoy the summer months even under these challenging times. It has been such a blessing to see our parishioners and friends of St. Athanasios back in Church for in-person services that began the beginning July. Our Parish Council has worked diligently to ensure our services are conducted and attended in accordance with the provided health guidelines and with the utmost safety precautions. We ask all our parishioners and friends who have not re-visited the Church to do so, with assurance that we have taken all necessary actions for the safety of all. As required, you will need to go to the registration tab at the top of the Church website which will guide you to the date for the service you wish to attend and reserve your space.

We would like to thank everyone who has participated in the Festival 2020 donation request and those of you who make candle lighting offerings and donations during our virtual services. Presently, the Festival 2020 donations have reached 20 % of our targeted goal. We need and urge everyone to participate in this occasion. If you have not already done so, please make your donation as soon as possible. If you are unable to make the requested contribution, please feel free to give what you can.

The Church fixed expenses are still ongoing and countless. This period of time has become a “skipped year” for our Church’s fundraising events and the Church’s 2020 revenue has lost the financial benefits from these events.

The end of the year is approaching us. If you have not already done so, go to the Church’s website (<https://stathanasiosnj.org>) and join your fellow parishioners and present your stewardship payment, festival donation, candle offering or a general donation. Please feel free to offer what you can. “Each one must give as he decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” (2 Corinthians 9:7)

Thank You for understanding and continuing to support our Church.

Sincerely,

Rev. Protopresbyter Anargyros Stavropoulos
Ieratikos Proestamenos.

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