SAINT PAUL'S GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Ελληνική Ορθόδοξος Εκκλησία Ο Άγιος Παύλος

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

You are hereby requested to attend the General Assembly Meeting of Saint Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of Regina on **Sunday, December 7, 2025** in the Community Hall at **2:00 p.m.** All members who wish to vote must be members in good standing and have paid their 2025 stewardship obligation.

ΓΕΝΙΚΗ ΣΥΝΕΛΕΥΣΗΣ

Παρακαλείστε όπως παρευρεθείτε στη Γενική Συνέλευση της Ελληνικής Ορθόδοξης Κοινότητας του Αγίου Παύλου Ρετζίνας, η οποία θα πραγματοποιηθεί την **Κυριακή, 7 Δεκεμβρίου 2025,** και ώρα **2:00 μ.μ.** στην αίθουσα της Κοινότητας. Όλα τα μέλη που επιθυμούν να ψηφίσουν πρέπει να είναι ταμειακώς εντάξει και να έχουν καταβάλει τη συνδρομή (stewardship) τους για το 2025.

AGENDA	ΗΜΕΡΗΣΙΑ ΔΙΑΤΑΞΗΣ
1. Meeting called to order and opening prayer	1. Έναρξης της συνέλευσης και προσευχή
2. Declaration of quorum *Note: quorum is 65 members*	2. Διαπίστωση απαρτίας *Σημείωση: η απαρτία απαιτεί 65 μέλη*
3. Election of chairperson	3. Εκλογή προέδρου της συνέλευσης
4. Approval of agenda	4. Ανάγνωση και έγκριση της ημερήσιας διάταξης
5. Reading and approval of minutes from the December 1st, 2024 General Assembly Meeting and March 30th and June 29th, 2025 Special General Assembly Meetings	5. Ανάγνωση και έγκριση των πρακτικών της Γενικής Συνέλευσης της 1ης Δεκεμβρίου 2024 και των Έκτακτων Γενικών Συνελεύσεων της 30ης Μαρτίου και της 29ης Ιουνίου 2025
6. President's Report	6. Αναφορά Προέδρου
7. Financial / Treasurer's Report	7. Οικονομικά / Αναφορά Ταμία
8. Ecclesiastical Report	8. Αναφορά Εκκλησιαστικής Επιτροπής
9. MOSAIC Report	9. Αναφορά Επιτροπής MOSAIC
10. Major Events / Fundraising / Community Engagement / Communications Reports	10. Αναφορά για τις Μεγάλες Εκδηλώσεις / Εράνους / Δράσεις Κοινότητας / Επικοινωνίες
11. Greek Heritage Language School Report	11. Αναφορά Σχολικής Επιτροπής
12. Leadership Scholarship Report	12. Αναφορά Υποτροφιών
13. Met Youth Liaison Report	13. Αναφορά Νεολαίας
14. Ladies of Philoptochos Liaison Report	14. Αναφορά Φιλοπτώχου Αδελφότητος
15. Property & Building Maintenance Report	15. Αναφορά υπεύθυνου για τα κτίρια
16. Capital Projects Report • Includes presentation, discussion and recommendations of completed feasibility study regarding the church and adjacent property.	16. Αναφορά Κεφαλαιουχικών Έργων • Περιλαμβάνει την παρουσίαση, συζήτηση και εισηγήσεις σχετικά με την ολοκληρωμένη μελέτη σκοπιμότητας για την εκκλησία και το γειτονικό ακίνητο.

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17. Unfinished Business *Matters carried over from previous meetings that still require discussion or decision.* • Follow-up on prior AGM motion regarding feasibility study — to be reported and discussed under Capital Projects Report. • Follow-up on prior AGM motion regarding the sale of the property at 3600–3604 McCallum Avenue — discussion to be informed by the completed feasibility study and included under Capital Projects Report.	17. Εκκρεμή Θέματα *Θέματα που εκκρεμούν από προηγούμενες συνελεύσεις και χρειάζονται περαιτέρω συζήτηση ή απόφαση.* • Παρακολούθηση της απόφασης της προηγούμενης Γενικής Συνέλευσης σχετικά με τη μελέτη σκοπιμότητας — θα παρουσιαστεί και θα συζητηθεί στην Έκθεση Κεφαλαιουχικών Έργων. • Παρακολούθηση της απόφασης προηγούμενης Γενικής Συνέλευσης σχετικά με την πώληση του ακινήτου στην οδό McCallum 3600–3604 — η συζήτηση θα βασιστεί στην ολοκληρωμένη μελέτη σκοπιμότητας και θα περιληφθεί στην Έκθεση Κεφαλαιουχικών Έργων.
18. New Business *Matters introduced for discussion or decision for the first time.*	18. Νέα Θέματα *Θέματα που εισάγονται για πρώτη φορά προς συζήτηση ή απόφαση.*
19. Adjournment	19. Λήξη της Συνέλευσης

Tom A. Liagridonis, President

Αθανάσιος Λιαγκριδώνης, Πρόεδρος

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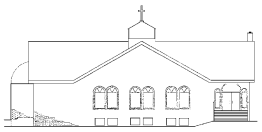

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

December 7, 2025 AGM

Presented by Tom Liagridonis

If it sounds like I'm repeating myself, it's only because gratitude never gets old.

The year 2025 has been one of steady progress and reflection — a year in which our community continued to build upon strong foundations while planning carefully for the future. The people who give so much of their time, care, and energy to St. Paul's deserve to be recognized again and again. Our community thrives because of you — the volunteers, supporters, donors, and faithful who give so generously from the heart.

First and foremost, a heartfelt thank-you to Father Spiro, whose more than three decades of dedication to our faith have been a true blessing. His compassion, commitment, and spiritual guidance continue to inspire us all.

As you know, your Community Council is composed entirely of **volunteers** who offer their time and expertise for the good of our Church. Beyond the Council, virtually every aspect of our community's life — from administration and education to event planning, liturgical assistance, and facility upkeep — depends on the dedication of volunteers.

With only a few essential roles receiving modest remuneration for specific services, St. Paul's remains a community built and sustained by the selfless efforts of its members. This spirit of volunteerism is one of our greatest strengths and a defining feature of who we are.

I extend my sincere thanks to each member of the 2025 Council: Vasilis Vandoros (Vice-President), Georgina Barlas (Treasurer), Margarita Parisone (Secretary), Maria Aiginitis, Taya Christidis, Angela Doulias (Philoptochos Liaison), Fotini Gargatzidis, Konstantine Giannoutsos, Christopher Hamilton, Catherine Hofer, Nick Kourles, Sofia Kourles, Maria Lygouriatis (Met Youth Liaison), and Maria Perentes. Your commitment, patience, and teamwork are deeply appreciated.

Special thanks to Christopher Hamilton and Vasilis Vandoros for their tireless efforts in maintaining our facilities; to Thanos Christodouloulis, Chris Perentes, Spiro Kangles, and Dimitri Fourlas, whose beautiful chanting enriches our worship; to our altar boys and helpers — including Andrew Giannoulis and Mihail Ionescu; and to our Epitropi members George Doulias, Christos Lygouriatis, and John Makris — thank you all for your faithful service.

To Chris Perentes, our Director of Administration, thank you for ensuring continuity and support across all areas of church life.

To Marina Sellis, our dedicated secretary of seven years, thank you for your efficiency, professionalism, and kindness — your contributions extend well beyond the newsletter.

To Fotini Labropulu, who served with distinction as President of the Greek Heritage Language School Board until this school year, and to Georgia Bonis, now serving as Acting President — along with Principal Petros Aiginitis, our teachers, catechism instructors, helpers, and the Parents Association — thank you for your devotion to preserving our language, culture, and faith.

I am also very pleased with the continued growth and enthusiasm of Met Youth. Thank you to Maria Lygouriatis and the entire executive for your active participation, and to our advisors Vasilis Vandoros, Sophia Kolitsas, and Maria Aiginitis for your support and mentorship.

We are also grateful for the presence and ongoing engagement of the Maids of Athena and the Sons of Pericles, who organized events such as the Trivia Night and the Tavli Tournament at our hall. While these organizations operate independently, their activities bring energy, fellowship, and youth engagement to our wider community, and we appreciate the spirit of collaboration they bring.

And as always, heartfelt appreciation to Toula Perdicaris and the Ladies of Philoptochos for their charitable work and compassionate service.

We are grateful as well to our individual and corporate donors, including the Greek Golf Charity, and to the entire AHEPA family for their continued support. The generosity of our members sustains the ministries and programs that define St. Paul's.

Community Progress and Highlights

This past year, our Council and volunteers achieved significant milestones that reflect both the vibrancy of our community and our commitment to growth and good stewardship. Among them:

- Hosting another successful visit from **the Consulate General of Greece in Vancouver**, Mr. Dimitrios Skoutas, allowing members to complete consular business locally.
- Securing **official proclamations** from the Government of Saskatchewan recognizing March as Hellenic Heritage Month, March 25 as Greek Independence Day, and October 28 as OXI Day.
- Continuing our tradition of **major cultural events and fundraising**, including the *An Evening in Greece* gala, which raised $300,000 for the Hospitals of Regina Foundation.
- Returning to the **Mosaic Festival**, where our pavilion showcased Greek culture with pride and excellence.
- Presenting a **sold-out screening of the film Stelios** through the Greek International Film Festival Tour of Canada.
- Awarding **Leadership Scholarships** to two deserving young members of our community.
- Maintaining an active **online presence** through our website, app, and social-media platforms.

These highlights, along with numerous community activities and educational initiatives, are detailed in the individual committee reports that follow. Together they illustrate the breadth of participation and teamwork that sustain St. Paul's.

Please note that the Treasurer's Report and the Ecclesiastical Report will be presented during the AGM itself. This approach allows for open discussion, clarification, and the opportunity to address questions directly, ensuring that all members can participate meaningfully in those important conversations.

Planning for the Future

One of the most significant undertakings of 2025 was the completion of the Feasibility Study by *1080 Architecture, Planning & Interiors*.

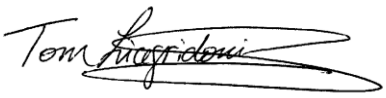
This study builds on the Vision and Strategic Planning Sessions held last year and provides us with professional guidance on possible expansion and redevelopment options for our existing property. The study's findings and concept drawings will be presented and discussed at this AGM — an important milestone as we continue shaping the future of our community facilities with foresight and transparency.

Closing Reflection

Each of you — Council members, volunteers, donors, and parishioners — plays an essential role in keeping St. Paul's vibrant and strong. There is always more work to be done, but also much to be thankful for. This meeting gives us the opportunity to reflect, plan, and build together. I encourage open and respectful dialogue — that is how good communities become great ones.

As I reflect on the energy and spirit that fill our parish, I am deeply inspired. Together, we are shaping St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of Regina into a model of faith, culture, and fellowship for generations to come.

Yours in Christ,



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St Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of Regina
2025 AGM – Sunday, December 7, 2025
Mosaic Report: Vasilis Vandoros and Chris Hamilton

Mosaic 2025 was another successful celebration of Greek culture, hospitality, and community spirit. Attendance remained strong although slightly down from the previous year (2025: 21,270, 2024: 23,491), due to the challenges navigating a Roughriders home opener game on the first day of Mosaic. Our Friday and Saturday days bounced us back to make up for Thursday. Visitor feedback overall was positive. The Pavilion team worked tirelessly to provide an authentic experience through food, music, and dance — showcasing the warmth and generosity of our Greek heritage.

We have continued our ongoing collaboration with REAL District to ensure that we deliver the highest quality of service to both our organization and our patrons. Recognizing the shared challenges faced by all groups, we joined forces with the other five pavilions located on the REAL District grounds. Together, we worked diligently to address common concerns by presenting a united front when communicating with REAL District representatives.

One significant topic of discussion was the potential scheduling conflict posed by another Roughrider game coinciding with Mosaic event days. This occurrence has had a negative impact on pavilion operations and potential revenue for all participants. While REAL District alone cannot guarantee that these conflicts will not arise in the future, the collective concerns and preferences of the pavilions have been clearly communicated.

Ultimately, the responsibility for advocating on behalf of all pavilions rests with the Regina Multicultural Council (RMC). It is essential for RMC to engage in discussions with both the Roughriders organization and REAL District. The goal is to explore the possibility of designating all Mosaic event days as unavailable for scheduling Roughrider games, thereby preventing future conflicts and supporting the continued success of all pavilions involved.

The Regina Multicultural Council (RMC) continues to play a vital role as a key partner in hosting Mosaic. RMC is dedicated to maintaining its strong presence within the multicultural community. However, the organization faces ongoing challenges, particularly in terms of financial resources and volunteer support. Despite these organizational struggles, there exists a valuable opportunity for members of our community to become involved and support RMC in its efforts. Increased engagement could help strengthen the organization and contribute positively to the overall success of Mosaic and other multicultural initiatives in Regina.

Acknowledgments,

We extend our sincere gratitude to all the individuals and groups who contributed to the success of Mosaic 2025:

- We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to all the Committee Heads for their dedication and hard work in organizing and planning their respective stations. Their commitment to ensuring that each station operated smoothly was instrumental in the overall success of Mosaic 2025.
- We also extend our sincere thanks to every volunteer who generously offered their time and effort, both during set-up and throughout the event days. Your collective contributions were invaluable, and the event would not have been possible without your support and enthusiasm.
- We extend our sincere gratitude to the Daughters of Penelope Hellenic Dancers and our local band, Arkadia, for providing exceptional entertainment and keeping our guests engaged throughout the event. Their performances added vibrancy and joy to the festivities, making the experience memorable for all in attendance.
- Our heartfelt thanks also go to all our sponsors who contributed to the success of Mosaic 2025. Although we opted not to actively seek monetary donations this year, we are grateful for the numerous in-kind contributions received from valued businesses including 4 Seasons, Cravings All Day Grill & Stats Sports Lounge, The Cottage

Restaurant, Joe's Deli, SubExpress, Western Pizza (South Albert), and especially our generous stage sponsor, Link Development. We would also like to recognize and appreciate all sponsors from previous years, Mosaic 2023 and 2024: Copper Kettle, Deli 360, Diplomat, DKM Engineering, Gould Billiards, Juliana Pizza, K Family Kitchen, K2 Laboratory, Lorne Drugs, Margarita Parisone, Mechanical Design Group, Medicine Shoppe – Rochdale, Memorie, Nicky's Café, Patty Gourgaris, Peter Fourlas, Regent Pizza, Regina Family Foot Clinic, Soma Salon, Trifon's Pizza, and Winmar.

- Special recognition is due to our Kitchen and Food Line volunteers, whose dedication forms the heartbeat of our Pavilion. Their hard work and commitment have been essential to our achievements. We are deeply appreciative of their contributions and the spirit of service they bring to our community.
- We would also like to acknowledge Gus Anasatasakis for his outstanding leadership of our Kitchen. His unwavering commitment, thoughtful approach, and pursuit of excellence have been instrumental in the development of our pavilion. Gus's presence and guidance will be sorely missed, and we honour his memory and lasting impact on our community. May his memory be eternal.

Ongoing Improvements

The Volunteer Food Line continues to be a work in progress as we strive for ongoing improvement. We kindly ask all volunteers to remain patient during peak business hours, understanding that there may be temporary periods when the food line is empty. It is crucial that everyone follows the established guidelines to maintain an orderly and efficient process.

Most importantly, we encourage all volunteers to recognize and respect the considerable pressure faced by our Kitchen team. Their tireless dedication is vital in delivering high-quality service to our 20,000 guests and approximately 200 volunteers and dancers over the three days of Mosaic. Your cooperation and understanding play a key role in supporting the Kitchen staff and ensuring a positive experience for everyone involved.

Looking Ahead to Mosaic 2026

Mosaic 2025 marks the conclusion of our tenure as Co-Managers. We would like to express our deep appreciation to all Committee Heads, Volunteers, and mentors who have collaborated with us over the years. It has been an honour and a privilege to serve in these roles and contribute to our community's cherished event.

We are delighted to announce that two of our youth, Anthony Parisone and Kelly Lowry, have stepped forward to assume the roles of Co-Managers for Mosaic 2026. We welcome and congratulate Anthony and Kelly as they take on these responsibilities. We are committed to mentoring and supporting them through this transition to ensure continuity and ongoing success. Congratulations and thank you once again to Anthony and Kelly for their dedication to our Pavilion's future.

Mosaic 2026: June 4, 5, 6

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50/50 Raffle Committee Report: Nick Kourles

The 2025 Mosaic *"Taste of the World"* 50/50 Raffle was once again a great success, thanks to the enthusiastic participation of our volunteers and the continued cooperation between the pavilions that took part. Ticket sales were strong, and the draw generated significant community interest throughout the Mosaic weekend.

This year, six other pavilions participated in the raffle. Although operational costs and grant adjustments vary from year to year, our community's share of the proceeds represents a valuable contribution to church operations and future projects. Our share was $3,951 this year, an increase of approximately $1,475 over the prior year.

We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who sold tickets, promoted the draw, and assisted with reporting and reconciliation. The raffle continues to be a meaningful way to support our community while building camaraderie across Regina's multicultural landscape.

Looking ahead, we look forward to continuing our participation in 2026 and exploring ways to further enhance community engagement and promotion for this popular initiative.

MAJOR EVENTS / FUNDRAISING REPORT

December 7, 2025 AGM
Presented by Taya Christidis

The year 2025 was marked by numerous events that fostered our collective spirit and showcased our community's cultural richness and philanthropic contributions to the broader Regina community.

Our signature event, the *An Evening in Greece Gala,* organized by event Chair Spiro Bonis and Co-Chair Thomas Siarkos, along with their dedicated committee, took place on March 8, 2025. This esteemed annual event once again brought together friends, family, and patrons for an evening of outstanding food, vibrant entertainment, and heartfelt giving. We extend our sincere gratitude to our presenting sponsor, Knight Cares, and to all other sponsors, volunteers, and attendees whose generosity helped raise $300,000 for the Hospitals of Regina Foundation. This contribution continues our long-standing tradition of community philanthropy and partnership with the broader Regina health network.

Our Council also places great importance on organizing and supporting community gatherings that strengthen relationships among our members beyond regular Sunday services.

This year's major community events included:

- Participation in the Greek International Film Festival Tour of Canada (GIFFT) – screening of the film *Stelios*
- The Annual Greek Community Summer Picnic, which once again drew a wonderful turnout and strong intergenerational participation

We wish to thank the many organizers, volunteers, and sponsors whose time and generosity make these events possible.

Additional social, cultural, and educational initiatives are highlighted separately in the Community Engagement Report, which provides an overview of these activities and their ongoing impact.

Finally, we extend our gratitude to all community members. Each event's success depends on your enthusiastic support, participation, and continued commitment to keeping our community vibrant and united.

St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of Regina

Community Engagement Report - 2025 AGM
Maria Aiginitis

Over the past year, our community has enjoyed a range of engaging and educational activities organized by the Community Engagement Committee. These events have brought members together to learn, connect, and participate in meaningful experiences.

Highlights include:

- A **St. John Ambulance** informational session on recognizing and responding to heart attacks, strokes, and diabetic emergencies, held in our community hall.
- A lively **Paint Night**, which welcomed over 50 participants for an evening of creativity and fellowship.
- A **Greek Community Bowling Night**, bringing together families and friends for a fun evening of friendly competition.
- A **Pickleball Clinic** hosted at the Queen City Pickleball Hub, where 20 participants learned and practiced new skills.
- A **Home Alone Course** presented by St. John Ambulance for children aged 10–14 years, also hosted in our community hall.
- A **Kids & Youth Drawing Challenge**, which encouraged our youngest members to express their creativity while celebrating their Greek heritage.

Looking ahead, we are excited to host a Community Sleigh Ride Event on January 3, 2026, at the church—weather permitting.

Please continue to check our social media pages and the church bulletin for updates on upcoming events and new opportunities to participate in our community programs.

Communications Report for Council

The Communications Committee continues to run smoothly. Over the past year, I have managed and shared a variety of announcements and updates on our community's social media platforms — including events, funeral notices, and updates from Greek School, Met Youth, and the Ladies of Philoptochos Society. I also post special announcements as requested by Father Spiro or our President.

Community members or groups who wish to share information through our email newsletter or social media typically reach out to me directly, and I assist in ensuring their messages are communicated clearly and promptly.

I will continue to provide updates and share information as new communications arise.

Thank you,

Maria Perentes

ΑΝΑΦΟΡΑ ΔΙΕΥΘΥΝΤΟΥ 2025/2026 - ΠΕΤΡΟΣ ΑΙΓΙΝΙΤΗΣ

Τα μαθήματα στο Ελληνικό μας Σχολείο ξεκίνησαν φέτος στις 20 Σεπτεμβρίου, 2025 και θα ολοκληρωθούν στις 31 Μάιου, 2026. Στην τρέχοντα σχολική χρονιά εγγράφηκαν στο Ελληνικό Σχολείο Αγ. Παύλου 36 μαθητές και μαθήτριες. Το διδάσκοντα προσωπικό αποτελείται από:

Pre-School	Kelly Tasselos and Domenica Parisone
Kindergarten	Kelly Tasselos and Domenica Parisone
Grade One	Sofia Kourles and Harris Kangles
Grade Two	Sofia Kourles and Harris Kangles
Grade Three	Constantina Perentes
Grade Four	Stamatis Katsaganis
Grade Five	Fay Bobetsis
Grade Six	Fay Bobetsis

Στις 26 Οκτωβρίου 2025 το Ελληνικό μας Σχολείο μαζί με τον Σύλλογο γονέων και κηδεμόνων διοργάνωσαν την πολύ σημαντική εθνική μας εορτή τις 28ης Οκτωβρίου με ιδιαίτερη επιτυχία.

Στις 21 Δεκεμβρίου 2025 το Κατηχητικό μας θα διοργανώσε την Χριστουγεννιάτικη εορτή. Επίσης, μαθητές του σχολειού θα βγουν για τα Κάλαντα των Χριστουγέννων.

Οι εκδηλώσεις το ελληνικού μας σχολείου θα ολοκληρωθουν για εφέτος με την Εθνική εορτή της 25ης Μαρτίου 1821.

Η τελευταία ημέρα της σχολικής χρονιάς θα είναι στις 31 Μάιου 2026 με την τελετή αποφοίτησης των μαθητών της έκτης τάξεως.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT 2025/2026 – PETROS AIGINITIS

The Greek Heritage Language School began classes on September 20, 2025, and will conclude on May 31, 2026. For the current school year, 36 students are registered. Teaching staff consists of the following:

Pre-School	Kelly Tasselos and Domenica Parisone
Kindergarten	Kelly Tasselos and Domenica Parisone
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On October 26, 2025, the Greek Heritage Language School, together with the Parents' Association, organized the OXI Day Celebration with great success. The event commemorated October 28, the day Greece celebrates OXI Day, marking the historic "No" to the Axis forces in 1940.

On December 21, 2025, our Sunday School will host the annual Christmas Concert, and our students will also take part in Christmas caroling.

The final celebration of the school year will commemorate Greek Independence Day (March 25, 1821).

The last day of classes will be May 31st, 2026, which will conclude with the Report Card Ceremony.

PARENTS ASSOCIATION REPORT – MARINA SELLIS

The Parents Association of our Greek School organizes various fundraising events throughout the year to support the programs and activities of our school. Last year, with the generous support of our parents, volunteers, and the wider community, we proudly raised $13,000. We express our heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed their time, effort, and generosity. Your continued support strengthens our school and helps preserve our Greek language and culture for future generations.

This year, our major fundraiser features an authenticated, signed jersey of Giannis Antetokounmpo (the "Greek Freak"), an iPad, and $250 in cash prizes. Tickets are $10 each, and all proceeds will go directly toward supporting our school's programs and initiatives.

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Leadership Scholarship Committee Report: Vasilis Vandoros

The Leadership Scholarship program continues to recognize and encourage young members of our community who demonstrate commitment to faith, learning, leadership, and service.

For 2025, applications were received and reviewed by the committee. As part of our commitment to a thoughtful and fair selection process, interviews with the applicants are being completed, and the presentation of this year's awards will take place prior the upcoming Annual General Meeting. The winners will be announced accordingly.

Going forward, the committee will make every effort to complete the process earlier in the year so that the award may be presented during the OXI Day celebrations.

We are proud of the continued interest shown by our youth and remain committed to supporting their growth as future leaders of our church and community.

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MET YOUTH REPORT

December 7, 2025 AGM
Presented by Maria Lygouriatis

Met Youth had a meaningful and productive year in 2025, marked by continued growth, fellowship, and community involvement. Together, we strengthened our connection to our faith and culture while creating new opportunities for community engagement, philanthropy, and service.

Throughout the year, we remained active within our Church and community. Some events to look back on are the various religious events with Father Spiro who helped us deepen our faith by answering our questions on religion and explaining services in more detail, our various bottle drives, movie night, pascha egg dyeing, and many more.

We also enjoyed several memorable events together, including a Greek Night just for Met Youth members which was a fun way for our youth to come together and celebrate our culture. In addition, we held a Greek coffee and loukoumades sale, with proceeds donated to a local charity. And one of our favorites, getting all the youth together, including Met Youth, Sons & Maids to have cafe and treats for Mothers' & Fathers, Day. These and other activities helped us grow together while also supporting causes that make a difference in our community.

A highlight of the year was having several of our senior members attend the National Youth Conference in Montreal, where they joined Orthodox youth from across the country for a weekend of learning, discussion, and spiritual renewal. It was an inspiring experience that encouraged continued participation and leadership within our group.

As the year concludes, we extend our heartfelt thanks to our advisors, Vasilis Vandoros and Sophia Kolitsas, for their years of support, guidance, and commitment to Met Youth. Their dedication has greatly contributed to the growth and strength of our group. We are pleased to welcome Maria Aiginitis as our new advisor and look forward to working with her as we plan for the year ahead.

We also thank Father Spiro for his continued encouragement, and all parents and community members who support our efforts. Their involvement helps ensure that our youth remain active in faith, culture, and community life.

As we look ahead to 2026, we hope to welcome new members and continue building on our accomplishments, keeping Met Youth Regina strong and vibrant for years to come.

LADIES OF PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY REPORT

December 7, 2025 AGM

Presented by Toula Perdicaris

The goal of the Ladies of Philoptochos Society (Philoptochos) is to be friends to the poor and those in need. Our local chapter is now 58 years old, with over 60 members — approximately 30 to 35 of whom are active. We are proud that throughout these years, we have consistently fulfilled our obligations to the Archdiocese Philoptochos Board. We also support Father Spiro in organizing *prosphora* and other church celebrations, including the Epitaphio.

Throughout the year, we organize and support many activities and events to raise funds for our chapter. As you know, we host the fellowship coffee hour and provide services during memorials and times of need. We also host luncheons that bring the community together.

Some of the other causes we support — many of which are not widely known — include the following:

- We are proud to sponsor two children through World Vision.
- We help people in need within our Greek community, the wider Regina community, and abroad, including Greece.
- We support local organizations such as Souls Harbour, the Regina Food Bank, Canadian Mental Health, and STAR Ambulance, which all assist people in need.
- We are proud to partner with the Daughters of Penelope to bake cookies for local schools, ensuring that children do not go hungry.
- Over the years, we have also responded to crises such as earthquakes and wildfires. We are grateful for the compassion and generosity of our members who always step forward to help when they learn of others in need.

Our most recognized fundraiser is our Annual Bake Sale, organized in partnership with the Daughters of Penelope. We are proud that the committees from both the Daughters and Philoptochos work together successfully each year, sharing the proceeds equally. On behalf of both organizations, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all — members and non-members alike — for their generous support of this event over the years.

I would like to extend an open invitation to all the ladies of our community to join the Philoptochos. We are always looking for new members and volunteers. Our members are eager to share their experience and teach those interested in carrying on our tradition of supporting those in need, our Church, and our community. If you are interested, please reach out to any current member.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of Regina

Property and Building Maintenance Report - 2025 AGM
Christoper Hamilton

Tasks Completed this year (2025)

1. **Refurbished countertop/cabinet under the "Big Coffee Machine".**
    a. The countertop and parts of the cabinet under the Big Coffee Machine were rotting due to water spillage from years of use. The Big Coffee Machine was disconnected, and the countertop was replaced and the cabinet reinforced. The Big Coffee Machine was reconnected.
2. **Gum removal.**
    a. A large amount of gum was scrapped off the bottom of the pews and in some areas underneath the top rail of the pews.
3. **Community Hall and other relevant areas were waxed.**
    a. The Community Hall floor and some of the landings were scrubbed and new floor-finish was put down. The next scheduled summer for scrubbing and waxing is set for the summer of 2027.
    b. Continued care of the waxed areas will include burnishing when needed and felt feet replacement on chair legs when needed.
4. **Washer/dryer transfer.**
    a. The old but still functional washer/dryer from 3600/3604 McCallum Avenue (the property across the street from the church) was removed. The newer washer/dryer from 3611 McCallum Avenue (the property next door to the church) was taken out and put into 3600/3604 McCallum Avenue.
    b. The old but still functional washer/dryer is available for sale on Facebook Marketplace through Chris Hamilton's Facebook account.

NON-URGENT tasks that are being pursed and/or investigated.

1. **Community Hall air conditioner unit replacements.**
    a. We are continuing to pursue quotes.
2. **Church dome revitalization.**
    a. We are continuing to pursue quotes. Many companies are reluctant or incapable of taking on the project. There are a few prospective companies that I am in contact with. Leads to roofing companies or those who work with fiber glass are welcome.
3. **Carpet replacement in the Nave.**
    a. Though it does NOT need replacement yet, we are starting to see signs of wear.

b. This investigation will be ongoing, and we will continue to watch the pricing and investigate best practices involved for total carpet replacement so that we can be ready.

4. **Purging/decluttering and storage organization.**

   a. All organizations who store any materials at the church will be contacted soon by Christopher Hamilton. The goal is to declutter and reorganize certain storage areas throughout the church.

   b. When contacted, the appointed representatives from your organization will come to the church, on several dates yet to be determined, and purge any unwanted materials from your stock.

   c. Dates are tentative for late January / early February, and late April / early May.

   d. I would suggest that the organizations in the community who store things here at the church discuss purchasing totes if they feel that this will help them organize better.

St Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of Regina
2025 AGM – Sunday, December 7, 2025
Capital Projects Committee Report: Gus Giannoutsos & Georgina Barlas

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1. 3611 McCallum Avenue (property next to the church)

Following the 2024 AGM, the General Assembly approved the decision not to proceed with major repairs or upgrades to the house at 3611 McCallum Avenue and to move forward with its demolition.

Since that time, Council has submitted formal applications to the City of Regina to:

1. Demolish the house, and

2. Consolidate the church property (3000 Argyle Road) with 3611 McCallum Avenue into a single parcel.

The detached garage has been sold, with removal scheduled to be completed by November 15, 2025. Once the City issues the demolition permit, the house will be removed, and the site will be graded and filled for temporary use as overflow parking while long-term redevelopment plans continue.

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2. Review of Strategic Planning & Vision Workshop Findings

At last year's AGM, we also presented the results of the Strategic Planning and Vision Workshops. These community sessions identified several key functional and accessibility challenges with our current church building and hall:

- **Washrooms** – Located in the basement, creating accessibility barriers.

- **Kitchen** – Too small and not up to commercial code, limiting use to reheating rather than cooking.

- **Exiting & Circulation** – Stair and lift placement creates congestion at main exits from the sanctuary.

- **Storage Limitations** – Insufficient space to store tables, chairs, and event materials.

- **Greek Language School Programming** – Inadequate space for classes, requiring rentals at the University of Regina.

- **Multi-Purpose Space** – Basement hall is not large or versatile enough for parish events.

These findings helped establish a program of needs that will guide the community's long-term building plan.

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3. Program Requirements Identified

To address these issues, the committee identified several key functional requirements to guide future planning:

- **New multipurpose community space** for 200–225 people (tables and chairs), suitable for receptions, classes, and cultural events; fully accessible and independent from the sanctuary.

- **Commercial-grade kitchen** approximately double the current size, with proper ventilation and cooking capacity.

- **Dedicated storage** area (approx. 12' x 20') for tables, chairs, and supplies, with allowance for growth.
- **Two meeting or lounge rooms** for 20–25 people each.
- **Accessible washrooms on the main floor**, including men's, women's, and gender-neutral facilities accessible from both the hall and sanctuary.
- **Administrative offices** for the priest and secretary.
- **Four Greek Language School classrooms** (Pre-K to Grade 6, ~9 students per class).
- **Additional on-site parking** to support the expanded facilities.

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4. Feasibility Study

At the 2024 AGM, members voted to proceed with a professional feasibility study to assess potential options — both for expansion on the existing site and possible relocation.

The firm *1080 Architecture, Planning and Interiors* was engaged to complete the study. They were provided with the Vision Strategy and Planning Workshop findings, detailed program requirements, and "wish lists" gathered from all church-affiliated groups.

1080 Architects provided three options utilizing the existing church and neighbouring houses which we own. Each option is supported by cost estimates, program summaries, as well as the advantages and challenges of each option to allow our community to assess both near-term feasibility and long-term vision.

During the Vision Strategy and Planning Sessions held in 2024, participants discussed a range of long-term options, including the possibility of relocating the existing church building to a new site or constructing an entirely new offsite facility to accommodate the community's broader needs. However, these options were not considered viable directions at that time. The size and condition of the existing church have generally met the needs of our congregation; discussions have instead focused on whether the adjoining hall and support spaces can adequately serve current and future community programs such as Greek School, dance classes, and cultural events. As a result, the feasibility study concentrated on expansion and redevelopment options for our existing property.

This study examined opportunities to provide new multipurpose space, a modern kitchen, upgraded washrooms, storage, and relocated office areas, in addition to classroom and meeting space. It also explored the potential for redevelopment of the property across the street at 3600 McCallum Avenue.

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5. Summary of Options Presented by 1080 Architects

Option 1 – Ground-Level Hall Addition Beside the Church

This option proposes:

- Renovating the church's main floor to add two new offices, a main-floor washroom, and to relocate the copy room closer to the exit.
- Expanding the stairs and elevator to provide full accessibility between the church, basement, and new addition.
- Constructing a new community hall at ground level on the site of the demolished house, with direct street access and full barrier-free entry (ie., accessible).
- Refurbishing the church basement into Greek Language School classrooms and/or meeting rooms.

Advantages:

- **Simpler Construction** - Building the new hall at ground level avoids the cost and complexity of elevating the new structure to align with the existing church. Foundations, structural systems, and access details are more straightforward and cost-effective.
- **Improved Accessibility** - Locating the Community Hall space at ground floor ensures barrier-free access from the parking lot and main entrance without requiring users to utilize the exterior ramp or the internal elevator. Additionally, direct exterior access to the kitchen and storage can be provided for deliveries, and garbage removal to the alley.
- **Better Site Integration** - A grade-level footprint takes advantage of adjacent outdoor space, including patios or landscaped areas, allowing for indoor-outdoor event programming. Additionally, the design can connect more naturally to parking and drop-off areas at ground level.
- **Program Flexibility** - The Community Hall can operate independently from the church, with its own direct entrance and washrooms, making it more suitable for rentals, community events, and non-liturgical functions. Less opportunity for these functions to intersect.
- **Future Adaptability** - A grade-level hall provides flexibility for potential expansions, reconfiguration, or adaptation in the future, since access and servicing are simpler than an elevated structure.

Option 2 – Elevated Hall with Underground Parking

This option is much more complex and represents a significant expansion to the existing church. It involves constructing a new hall at the same level as the sanctuary, with a parking garage located below. This design allows for direct access from the church to the hall, creating a seamless, same-floor connection between the sanctuary and the new community spaces.

The elevated addition would accommodate a large multipurpose hall designed for parish banquets, receptions, funeral gatherings, and community events. Because of the direct access from the church, it would be easy to move between the worship space and the hall for occasions such as weddings, Easter, and Christmas, where processions and gatherings naturally flow between worship and fellowship areas.

As in Option 1, the expansion would include a commercial-grade kitchen, new washrooms, administrative offices, and storage rooms. The lower level of the addition would serve as a covered parking garage, partially below grade. Like Option 1, the intent would be to leverage the parish-owned property across McCallum Avenue to meet the City of Regina’s parking requirements.

The addition would also introduce a new back entrance at ground level that connects directly to the parking area, improving accessibility and circulation. This option emphasizes integration, efficiency, and convenience—integration by uniting liturgical and community functions on the same floor; efficiency by combining program space with structured parking; and convenience by offering barrier-free connections across multiple levels.

Advantages:

- **Preserves Parking Supply -** By incorporating a parking garage beneath the addition, this option offsets the stalls lost to new construction. The at-grade option reduces overall parking capacity on site.
- **Weather-Protected Parking** - Provides covered, climate-controlled parking, a major advantage in Regina's winter climate, while the at-grade option offers no such amenity.
- **Seamless Church Connection** - The addition aligns directly with the church floor level, creating a same-level link between worship and fellowship functions. This eliminates the need for lifts or stair connections required in the at-grade option.
- **Perceived Cohesion** - Having both sacred and social functions on the same level fosters a greater sense of integration and unity.

Option 3 – Expanded Hall and Site Redevelopment

This option builds on Option 1 by expanding the new hall further west through the incorporation of the adjacent house next to the 3611 McCallum property. The purchase and redevelopment of this additional lot would provide our community with more land to accommodate a larger and more versatile addition, while still maintaining surface-level parking to support church operations.

The expanded addition would allow for a larger hall capable of hosting banquets, receptions, cultural events, and parish programs. The increased footprint also makes room for enhanced support areas, including a commercial-grade kitchen, additional storage, and flexible meeting rooms to serve both parish and community functions.

Unlike Option 1, which would result in a net loss of on-site parking, the purchase of the adjacent property would create space for a new surface parking lot alongside the expanded addition. This approach balances the parish's dual needs: increased program capacity and sufficient parking to support larger events.

The church itself would remain elevated above grade, with a new stair and elevator lift connection linking the worship space to the grade-level addition. While circulation between levels would remain a consideration, the expanded footprint and surface parking help alleviate congestion and site constraints.

By combining program expansion with surface parking, this option leverages the opportunity presented by the adjacent property to create a more spacious, flexible, and sustainable campus. It addresses immediate parish needs while supporting long-term growth potential—remaining less complex and less costly than a structured parking alternative.

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6. Next Steps

The feasibility study includes 1080 Architecture's professional assessment and recommendations regarding the most practical and cost-effective path forward. These findings, along with the conceptual drawings for each option, will be presented at the AGM to allow all members to review and discuss them together.

The intent is to identify a preferred development direction that meets the needs of our parish, aligns with our financial capacity, and preserves the legacy of St. Paul's for future generations.