

METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

MARYLAND

Annapolis
Baltimore
Annunciation
St. Demetrios
St. Nicholas
Bel Air
Bethesda
Frederick
Lanham
Ocean City

VIRGINIA

Charlottesville
Danville
Falls Church
Fredericksburg
Hopewell
Loudoun County
Lynchburg
Newport News
Norfolk
Richmond
Roanoke
Virginia Beach
Williamsburg
Winchester

PENNSYLVANIA

Broomall
Elkins Park
Jeffersonville
Media
Philadelphia
Evangelismos
St. George
Upper Darby

NEW JERSEY

Asbury Park
Atlantic City
Cherry Hill
Clifton
Egg Harbor Township
Elizabeth
Fairview
Flemington
Holmdel
Jersey City
Evangelismos
St. Demetrios
North Wildwood
Paramus
Perth Amboy
Piscataway
Randolph
Roseland
Tenafly
Toms River
Trenton
Union
Vineland
Westfield
Wyckoff

DELAWARE

Wilmington

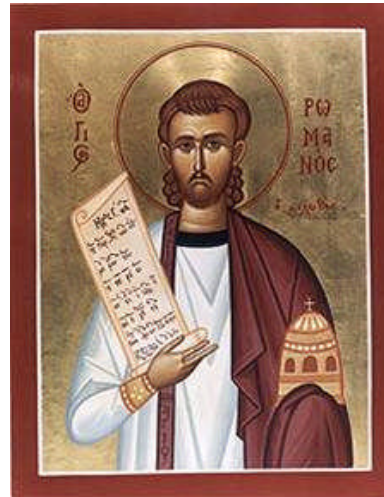
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Staten Island, NY

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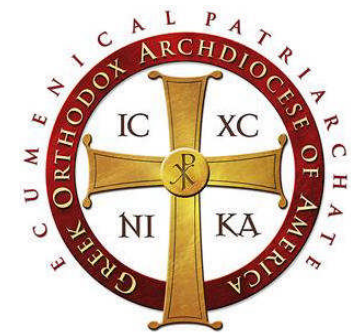
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WHAT IS THE EASTERN FEDERATION OF GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH MUSICIANS?

Formed in 1977, the Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians (EFGOCM) is comprised of individual church musicians throughout the Metropolis of New Jersey which includes New Jersey, the metropolitan Philadelphia area of southeastern Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia. These Orthodox church musicians have, like others all over the nation, joined together in order to strengthen the quality of Greek Orthodox church music. Each member parish participates in a variety of musical activities and has a vote in all matters brought before the Federation Council. Officers are elected at the annual conference for two year terms.

WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF THE EFGOCM?

- Improve the spiritual and musical background of choir members, directors, organists, psaltai, clergy and the Greek Orthodox faithful;
- Strengthen communication between church musicians and clergy, hierarchy, and parish councils;
- Encourage the development, composition, publication, and performances of Greek Orthodox sacred music;
- Offer workshops, Church Music Institutes and annual conferences to develop musical skills.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT OUR WEBSITE
www.newjersey.churchmusic.goarch.org

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE EFGOCM?

DISTRICT WORKSHOPS AND CHURCH MUSIC INSTITUTES

The EFGOCM provides assistance to choir directors, psalti, organists, and choir members by offering district workshops and Church Music Institutes on various subjects including vocal techniques, choir director skills, youth programs, sight reading, and new repertoire for choir and organ.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The EFGOCM offers the Anna G. Gallos scholarship to encourage music education among our Greek Orthodox faithful. This program is not only open to all undergraduate and graduate students, but to active members who attend professional development workshops and courses to better themselves musically.

YOUTH

The EFGOCM encourages the development of Youth Choirs and the study of Hymnology. The youth are invited to participate in our annual conferences and workshops are held to assist parishes in forming a youth music program.

MUSIC RESOURCES

The EFGOCM serves as a resource for any special music needed by a church musician such as feast day hymns, the sira for the visitation of our Metropolitan, special hymns for the Liturgy including the PHEME which has been approved by the Metropolitan and other special services. We can assist your choir in determining appropriate music for your parish.

AWARDS PROGRAM

The EFGOCM recognizes each individual choir member attaining landmark years of service to their individual choir at 10, 25 and 50 years. Certificates and pins are awarded at the annual conference each year.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Your church musicians will have the opportunity to share with other church musicians one weekend a year at a host parish within our Metropolis. Attendees learn new music and vocal techniques, meet the foremost Orthodox composers and conductors, and share in fellowship, culminating in the combined choir for the Sunday Divine Liturgy.

NEWSLETTER

Our newsletter, The First Mode, is available on our website, updating the Metropolis on upcoming events, as well as other articles on spiritual and musical topics.

NATIONAL FORUM

Through membership in the Federation, you have a voice in the National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians, which is the music ministry of our Archdiocese. Federation representatives attend and vote at annual Forum meetings. The National Forum provides partial funding for the federation Church Music Institutes, assistance to federation leadership, position statements to assist local parishes and is a direct voice to our Archdiocese.

DATABASE

The EFGOCM keeps a database of all current choirs, choir directors, organists, psalti and members.