Ladies Philoptochos Society St. John the Baptist

303 Cullum Drive, Euless TX 76040 https://stjohndfw.info/parish-life/ministries/philoptochos/ 2025 Stewardship Form

Welcome to our new membership year! If you are a current member, it is time to renew your membership for 2025. Our membership numbers are solid and we are an Army of Women serving people all over the world.

The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society is an organization of women whose collective <u>drive, dedication, and heart</u> help those who need it most. We do things together with <u>compassion, love, and strength</u>. We are a national organization with membership of over 25,000 strong! Established in 1931, the Philoptochos Society has been the philanthropic arm of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America taking on a multitude of philanthropic initiatives keeping foremost in our hearts the translation of the meaning "Philoptochos" or **"Friends of the Poor."**

We encourage you to join Philoptochos. This does require an annual stewardship donation amount of your discretion of which we automatically send \$15 to our National organization and \$10 to our Metropolis organization. Your annual stewardship pledge is tax-deductible. With that in mind, please fill out the form below and <u>turn over to the back</u> where you will indicate your pledge amount, and your time and talent commitment.

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| | I am an active member I am a supporting member I am a member willing to assist when needed for special events or projects | | | |

Some highlights from 2024:

- Hosted a Vasilopita auction to benefit St. Basils Academy in Garrison, NY
 - Hosted Lenten Soup Suppers to benefit HC/HC
 - Created a Meal Train for new moms
 - Held a Festival of Tables Event
 - Held Easter and Christmas bake sales to benefit our projects
 - Awarded annual Scholarship to a graduating high school senior
 - Coordinated effort to decorate the kouvouklion
 - Hosted a Mother's Day and Father's Day fundraiser
- Hosted Taverna Night at annual Food Festival with donation going to Texas Health Foundation, specifically HEB NICU
 - Collected school supplies for South Euless Elementary School
 - Held a garage sale for the Scholarship Fund
 - Collected socks and blankets for the Union Gospel Mission
 - Coordinate Angel Tree and Gift Cards for Mid-Cities Christmas Providers
 Collected toiletries for Safe Haven
 - Mid-year collection of socks and underwear for South Euless Elementary
 - Collect clothing as needed for local middle school
 - Made 1,440 sack lunches (120/month) and delivered to the UGM in Ft. Worth
 - Completed all commitments to Metropolis and National organizations

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Here are a few of our activities you can choose to participate in - circle those you are interested in:

| Sunshine | Historian/Bulletin Board | Stewardship | Makaria | | | |
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| Special Projects | UGM Sack Lunches | Outreach | Bake Sales | | | |
| Scholarship | Taverna Night | Fundraisers | | | | |
| Special talents you are able to share: | | | | | | |

My stewardship pledge is \$______. I understand that \$15 of my pledge will be sent to National Per Capita and \$10 of my pledge will be sent to Metropolis Per Capita. Any remaining dollars will be used for the good works of our local chapter.

Please give or mail to our Stewardship Chairperson: Joanie Ruppel, 1510 Hunter Ct., Keller, TX 76248 (Checks payable to St. Irene Philoptochos). You may also donate on Realm. Please complete by March 30..