



*Saint Nicholas National Shrine At The World Trade Center
Philoptochos Fundraising Initiative*

'This will be written for the generation to come, that a people yet to be created may praise the Lord.' Psalm 102:18

The Saint Nicholas National Shrine Philoptochos Fundraising Initiative, which includes the rebuilding of the Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, has begun with great promise. Through all of your efforts, Philoptochos once again leads as an army of women whose role is critical to the support of the rebuilding initiative, providing a tangible witness to our Greek Orthodox faith.

Through the Society's participation in this initiative, we offer the country and the world a place for prayer and reflection, a place to pray for loved ones, to memorialize the victims of September 11 and to reflect on the magnitude of that fateful day. The Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church will be the only place of worship at Ground Zero and the Shrine will stand as a testament to our strength, our courage and our faith for all generations.

An informational letter, Saint Nicholas Icon Cards and the Genesis of a Resurrection Pamphlets for distribution to Chapter members, were provided to all Chapter Presidents. If you have not received these materials, along with instructions on how to offer your support directly through your Chapter, please speak with your Chapter President. In addition, the materials, and a moving video presentation of the Saint Nicholas National Shrine Initiative, can be found on the National Philoptochos website at www.philoptochos.org.

We are confident that Philoptochos will take its appropriate position in a prominent site and manner among those who will proudly proclaim their participation in this rare opportunity to promote our Greek Orthodox heritage and faith. The commitment and contribution of each Philoptochos steward will help to provide a place of peace and comfort to the world of faithful believers.

Our thanks go out to the many Philoptochos Stewards who have already donated and to those we know will become part of this noble goal.

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