



# THE PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY OF SAINT SOPHIA CATHEDRAL STEWARDSHIP APPLICATION

## STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

*(Information you provide below is sent to National Philoptochos. It will also be included in the Saint Sophia Philoptochos Directory, unless you indicate otherwise)*

Name:

Current address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone (optional):

Email address:

Check here if you prefer email notifications, when possible, rather than postal mail. This allows faster dissemination of information. The money saved on postage will go to our ministries

Do not include my contact information in the Directory. I understand that my name will be included.

Other Skills and Talents:

Below is a list of our major activities. Please check the one(s) in which you may wish to participate. A brief description of each is on the reverse side of this form. Many opportunities to volunteer for other events will occur throughout the year and will be announced in Philoptochos mailings or at General Membership Meetings. Thank you for believing in the mission of Philoptochos and for sharing your time and talents.

### MAJOR ACTIVITIES \* (SEE PAGE 2 FOR MORE INFORMATION)

Outreach Ministry to Homeless

Outreach Visits

Golden Age Christmas Luncheon

Fund Raising Activities

Good Company/Kali Parea

Clothing/Book Drives

Lenten Retreat

Meeting Programs & Outings

Preparing Palm Crosses & Flowers for Epitaphio

Refreshments:  Hairetismo  Meetings   
Special

### STEWARDSHIP CONTRIBUTION

Below is a range of stewardship levels, please note that \$23 of each member's dues goes to National and District Philoptochos. Make checks payable to *Philoptochos Society* OR Pay Online By Clicking This Link: <https://membership.faithdirect.net/givenow/DC408/0918>

Mail checks to: Saint Sophia Cathedral  
Attn: Philoptochos  
2815 36<sup>th</sup> Street NW  
Washington, DC 20007

\$50

\$75

\$100

other



## **\*Major Activities Descriptions:**

### **Outreach Ministry to the Homeless and Hungry:**

- Monthly Food Drive –Collect non-perishable food, hygiene and toiletry donations, the first Sunday of each month and deliver to a local food Pantry.
- Monthly Meals Preparation – Help prepare and deliver lunches for those in need.
- Winter Warmth Giveaway – Collect and sort clothing donations for those in need. Volunteers can also participate in the annual one-day event to provide warm winter clothing and serve hot food to our local neighbors in need.

### **Golden Age Christmas Luncheon (early December)**

Philoptochos hosts a festive holiday luncheon for parish seniors.

### **Good Company / Kali Parea**

- From September through April/May on the third Thursday of the month, we host a monthly event including a speaker or film and lunch for approximately 75 attendees in the Frosene Center Ballroom. Philoptochos sets the tables, serves the food, and is responsible for the cleanup.

### **Lenten Retreat (Kathara Deftera, 1st Day of Lent)**

- Help set up, prepare, and serve a Lenten lunch immediately following the annual Lenten Retreat.
- Held in FJ Hall, the Retreat features either a guest speaker or a question and answer session with Father Steve and Father Panayiotis.

### **Preparing Palm Crosses & Flowers for Epitaphio**

During Lent, we strip palms and make them into palm crosses for the priests to distribute to parishioners on Palm Sunday. On Holy Thursday, we prepare the flowers that will decorate the Epitaphio.

### **Outreach to Parishioners**

- Accompany parish priests on Christmas and Easter pastoral visits.
- Sunshine Committee - send personal greetings to members to acknowledge milestones and important events.

### **Fundraising Activities – Examples from past years include:**

- Sale of items such as: Our Community Cookbook, Aprons, Mugs and Christmas Ornaments.
- In addition to our stewardship funds, we raise donations for Charitable Causes as they occur during the year, including natural disasters, as well as our designated Christmas Charities.

### **Clothing/Book Drives**

- Collect clothing for the Winter Warmth Giveaway and Partners for Kids in Care program for DC Foster children.
- Book drive for Reading Partners' of DC, a reading program for grades K-4 students in Washington DC public schools.

### **Meeting Programs & Outings**

Help plan speakers and special events for our General Membership Meetings. Organize field trips to local DMV points of interest.