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HELLENIC ORTHODOX TRADITIONALIST CHURCH OF AMERICA  
**HOLY METROPOLIS G.O.C. AMERICA**

MARCH 18/31, 2019  
THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT  
SUNDAY OF THE VENERATION OF THE CROSS

From the Office of the Presbyters' Council  
Holy Metropolis of America of the Church of the G.O.C.

Protocol no. 2009-1

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

To the Reverend Clergy and Faithful of the Church

Reverend Fathers and Beloved Children in the Lord,

Christ is in our midst!

His Eminence Metropolitan Demetrius has directed the Presbyters' Council to inform the reverend pastors and the faithful of upcoming significant events taking place in our Holy Synod.

During Holy Week, the Holy Synod of Greece will begin its preparations for the making of Holy Chrism, ending with its consecration on Holy Thursday, after the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. His Eminence, being asked by the Holy Synod of Greece, will be present for the consecration on Holy Thursday.

Also, having approved the petition of Metropolitan Demetrius to elect another bishop for our Church in America, the Holy Synod will meet to hold the episcopal election on Tuesday of Bright Week. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, the consecration of the newly elected bishop will take place on Bright Saturday in Greece.

His Eminence asks for your prayers, that he may have a peaceful Holy Week and Pascha, and that he may have a safe trip to Greece.

May Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ grant us all a blessed remainder of Great Lent, a solemn Holy Week and joyous Pascha.

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Your servants in Christ,

The Presbyters' Council

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On behalf of the Presbyters' Council,

Protopresbyter George Kamberidis

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the initials 'Fr. G. K.' followed by a stylized flourish.