

*Are you involved in the education of children?
Join us for a day of fellowship and learning.*



Of all the holy works,
the education of children
is the most holy.

St. Theophan the Recluse

Dormition of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church

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DIRECTIONS:

I-93 From the North

Take 93S to exit 31. Stay in the right lane and turn right at lights to Mystic Avenue. Cross Mystic to Harvard Street. Make a left at Main Street (which will turn into Medford St). Follow Medford St to Central Street and make a right. Proceed on Central until you reach Summer Street (Central turns into a 1-way at this point). Make a right on Summer and then a left onto Harvard Street. Go several hundred feet and make a left at Cleveland Street. Carefully cross Central Street and go into the church parking lot.

Rt 1 from the North

Take Rt1 to Tobin (\$3 toll) and follow signs to Storrow Drive. Before entering Storrow, the road splits to a right (towards N. Station and the Museum of Science). Take the right to the Museum of Science. At the lights (Rt28) make a right and follow the road (onto the elevation) and stay in the left lane. You will see a decommissioned Sunoco gas station on the left. Follow the road left to Highland Avenue up to Central Street. Proceed left onto Central until you reach Summer Street (Central turns into a 1-way at this point). Make a right on Summer and then a left onto Harvard Street. Go several hundred feet and make a left at Cleveland Street. Carefully cross Central Street and go into church parking lot.

From the South (93 or Rt 1)

Proceed to Boston and take Storrow Drive exit. Follow the directions above from Rt 1. If you pass the exit and enter onto the Boston Bridge going to 93N, exit at Exit 26 and make a left onto Cambridge Street (which will turn into Washington St.). Continue on Washington until you reach Somerville Avenue. Proceed on Somerville Ave to Central Street. Make a right on Central (there is a Dunkin' Donuts there) and the church parking lot will be on the right (cannot be missed).

From points West

Take 2A to Massachusetts Avenue, which then splits left into Somerville Avenue. Make a right on Central (there is a Dunkin' Donuts there) and the church parking lot will be on the right (cannot be missed).

Metropolis of Boston Fall Conference
for Teachers, Directors,
and All Interested Adults

Educating Ourselves and Our Children in Godliness



A day of fellowship and learning
sponsored by DOXA: Orthodox Christian
Religious Education Association

**Saturday, November 5, 2011
9:00 am - 2:30 pm**

**Dormition of the Virgin Mary
Greek Orthodox Church
Somerville, MA**

CONFERENCE TOPICS

PURPOSE OF THE CONFERENCE

This fall, DOXA is offering this training workshop at its conference to improve the quality of education in our church schools by providing our teachers with knowledge of the faith and basic instructional techniques while presenting new and existing resources that they may not be aware of.

Please select two of the three workshops.

Overview of Orthodoxy - Dr. James Skedros

The basic tenets of the Orthodox Christian Faith and way of life are presented and discussed.

Introduction to Teaching - Fr. Peter Rizos

Effective teaching is a combination of planning and management. Topics include how to write a measurable objective, five components of a lesson plan with ideas for the presentation of each, and how to manage a positive, productive classroom.

Curriculum and Resources - Mrs. Aimee Ehres

This interactive workshop explores a variety of Orthodox Christian and other learning materials—in print and online—that may be used as part of a curriculum. Participants then thoughtfully examine the curriculum and textbooks they are presently using.

SCHEDULE

9:00	Registration/Coffee & Pastries
9:30	Welcome/Opening Prayer
9:45	Morning Session
12:00	Lunch & Fellowship
12:45	Afternoon Session
2:30	Wrap-up/Closing Prayer

SPEAKERS

James C. Skedros is the Michael G. and Anastasia Cantonis Professor of Byzantine Studies and Professor of Early Christianity at Hellenic College and Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology. His research areas include popular religious practices in Late Antiquity and Byzantium, history of the Byzantine church, Byzantine hagiography, pilgrimage, and Christian and Muslim relations. As a Fulbright Scholar, he has conducted field and archaeological research in Thessaloniki, Greece related to the veneration of St. Demetrios.

Rev. Dr. Peter G. Rizos serves the Annunciation Church in Woburn, MA. He is an expert in learning and religious development. He taught at Lowell High School for many years. He also taught religious education at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology and worked in teacher training for the Archdiocese Department of Religious Education.

Aimee Cox Ehres is Curriculum Specialist for the GOA Department of Religious Education. She has been in educational publishing and curriculum development for all ages since 2004. She was the managing editor of Holy Cross Press, and has taught the preschool, elementary and teen Sunday School classes at Sts. Constantine & Helen in Webster, MA. She lives in Roslindale with her family.

REGISTRATION FORM

Please print clearly and register by November 1, 2011.

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

My Parish Name, City, State: _____

Grade I Teach: _____

Complimentary child care for ages 3 and up:

Yes No Number of Children: _____

Ages: _____

Please mail this registration form to:

Dormition Greek Orthodox Church
29 Central Street, Somerville, MA 02143
Attention: Doxa Conference

Please include a check for \$20 payable to the Metropolis of Boston. Parishes are asked to cover their teachers' registration fees.

Please submit a question for the presenters:

Please Select Two Workshops

	AM	PM
Overview of Orthodoxy		
Introduction to Teaching		
Curriculum and Resources		

knowledge of the faith

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