



# GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF PITTSBURGH

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TO: The Parishes, Reverend Clergy, and Church School Teachers of the  
God-Kept Metropolis of Pittsburgh  
FROM: Metropolitan Maximos of Pittsburgh  
RE: Full-Time Director of Religious Education Appointed  
DATE: March 21, 2008

Dearly Beloved,

It is my joy to announce the appointment of Ms. Phyllis Meshel-Onest as full-time Director of Religious Education for the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh.

Phyllis has faithfully served the Church in various capacities for the past 30 years, and has served our Metropolis as part-time Director of Religious Education for nearly 15 years. Through a joint venture between the Metropolis of Pittsburgh and the Archdiocese Department of Religious Education, our Metropolis was granted an opportunity to appoint a full-time Director for our Metropolis; the first appointment of its kind within our Archdiocese. It is our hope that this venture will serve as an example and pilot program for the other Metropolises of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America to follow.

Phyllis will continue many of her previous duties as Director of Religious Education, but will be able to devote even more time to this sacred ministry. She will continue to work with our Parishes, Clergy, Church School Teachers and Educators, Parents, Children, Parochial Schools, and other Church organizations, to aid them in their Christian Education endeavors. Phyllis will also be visiting our parishes on a regular basis.

I urge you to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to work with an expert in Religious Education. You may learn more about Phyllis' background, credentials, recourses, schedule, and availability, by visiting her website: [www.phyllisonest.com](http://www.phyllisonest.com).

Please join me in welcoming Phyllis as a full-time member of our Metropolis staff.

Wishing you a blessed Lent and glorious Pascha, I remain, paternally yours in the Lord,

*John Maximos Onest*  
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