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Archbishop Elpidophoros Christmas and New Year Celebrations at the Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity



His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America celebrated Chorostasia at the Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity on New Year's Day. His Eminence was joined by His Grace Bishop Athenagoras of Nazianzos and V. Rev. Archimandrite Chrysostomos Gilbert.

At the end of the service, members of the Afro-American mission led by V. Rev. Archimandrite Chrysostom Onyekakeyah presented Archbishop Elpidophoros with a unique icon representing a collection of some of the most significant Saints of African origin and wished His Eminence a very healthy New Year filled with good strength and joy.

Archbishop Elpidophoros also celebrated Divine Liturgy at the Cathedral on Christmas Eve. At the conclusion of the liturgy, Stella Pantelidis received the icon of the Nativity from His Eminence to honor her fifth year as President of the Archdiocesan Cathedral Board of Trustees. Axia!

His Eminence concluded his Homily by stating, "may we also accept the miracle of the Lord's Holy Nativity with faith, and receive the Lord Born in Bethlehem of Judea.

And may He grant unto us a blessed Feast of Christmas, and a safe, prosperous and healthy New Year of 2024. Amen.”

See all photos from His Eminence’s holiday celebrations [here](#).

Read His Eminence’s full Homily At the Divine Liturgy on the Sunday before the Nativity of Christ [here](#).

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