



V. Rev. Archimandrite of the Ecumenical Throne, Athenagoras Ziliaskopoulos was Appointed Spiritual Advisor to the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society

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New York, NY - Archimandrite Athenagoras Ziliaskopoulos was appointed the Spiritual Advisor to the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society of America by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America.

Archimandrite Athenagoras spent much of his early life between Greece and Germany. He spent his early adulthood on Mount Athos as a monastic. For over twenty years, Archimandrite Athenagoras served as a parish priest starting at the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Germany with successive appointments. In his time in Germany, he had many accomplishments including establishing the first Orthodox Chapel in the international Frankfurt Airport and a 24-hour Orthodox crisis hotline; he founded the first Greek Orthodox youth camp near Frankfurt; spearheaded the archeological renovation of a 15th century church; and built a church and community center from the ground up.

Archimandrite Athenagoras holds a Bachelor of Arts, a Bachelor of Theology, a Masters of Theology and a PhD in Theology from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. He has a wealth of knowledge in other areas of study and speaks several languages.

Archimandrite Athenagoras' drive to make things happen fits well with the women of Philoptochos across the country who make things happen in their communities every day. His experience and wisdom will aid the Philoptochos in accomplishing their mission to help those in need.

For his full biography, please visit: <u>https://www.philoptochos.org/executive-officers/</u>.

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