



## Village of Mount Prospect Press Release

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### St. Nectarios Donates \$10,000 for Orion Parkview Fire Victims

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MOUNT PROSPECT, Ill.- At the July 16 Village Board Meeting, Father Chris Mihalopoulos of St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church in Palatine presented the Mount Prospect Village Board with \$10,000 in gift cards for the victims of the Orion Parkview Apartment fire.

“People helping people is the heart and soul of humanity,” says Mayor Paul Hoefert. “In this instance, we have our neighbors from Palatine reaching out with an unexpected gift. A donation of this magnitude is life-changing for the victims of the fire who are trying to rebuild their lives, and I could not thank the St. Nectarios community enough for their generosity.”

Parishioners from St. Nectarios heard the news of the Mount Prospect 3-alarm fire that took place on the evening of Monday, June 17. In response, the parish took action by collecting donations and GreekFest proceeds for the victims who were displaced.

According to Fr. Mihalopoulos, "Our community at St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church in Palatine has a large radius which serves many community members in various denominations, ethnicities, and creeds, and many of them do reside in Mount Prospect."

The money was collected by the St. Nectarios Ladies Philoptochos Society and the GreekFest Ministry and then used to purchase the gift cards.

Fr. Mihalopoulos said, “[We live] by the example of Christ our Lord who calls all of us to support our neighbors in need. With the success of our GreekFest in June, we worked with our Ladies Philoptochos Society (Friends of the Poor) to donate \$10,000 in gift cards.”

To watch the recording of the July 16 Village Board Meeting, click [here](#).

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