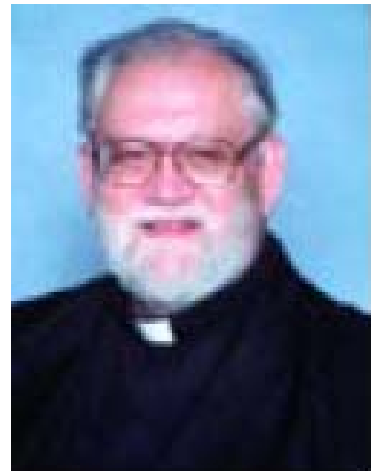


AFGLC HONORS FATHER STANLEY HARAKAS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO HELLENIC EDUCATION

Tampa, Florida. At its recent Tenth Annual Educational Forum and Gala event held in Tampa, March 3-5, the **American Foundation for Greek Language and Culture (AFGLC)** was proud to honor **Reverend Doctor Stanley S. Harakas, the Archbishop Iakovos Professor of Theology (Emeritus) at Holy Cross Orthodox Theological Seminary**, for his contributions to Hellenic education in America.

Professor Chris P. Tsokos, President of AFGLC, in recognizing the Rev. Dr. Harakas, stated: **“The officers and Board of Directors of AFGLC wish to express their deepest appreciation and sincere gratitude for your enthusiastic support of AFGLC’s aim and objectives. Your spiritual leadership and educational accomplishment represent an endless source of religious enlightenment and inspiration. We are all profoundly grateful.”**

Father Harakas was ordained to the priesthood in 1956. He earned his undergraduate and theology degrees at Holy Cross and a doctorate of theology at Boston University. After receiving his degree, he taught for thirty years at Holy Cross, which recently conferred on him an honorary doctorate of divinity.



Rev. Doctor Stanley S. Harakas

A respected theologian, Father Harakas was appointed in 1986 to the first endowed chair in theology at Holy Cross Seminary, named for the late Archbishop Iakovos. He has authored fifteen books and over 145 scholarly articles, as well a weekly religious column for The Hellenic Chronicle newspaper from 1980-2001. Since 1997 he has also written a weekly column for The National Herald and a monthly column for The Hellenic Voice.

In 2002, Father Harakas was appointed pastor of a small mission parish in Brooksville, Florida, consisting of forty Orthodox families of various ethnic origins. He and Presvytera Emily are the parents of five children (four surviving) and six grandchildren. **AFGLC** is honored to have Father Harakas as its spiritual advisor and member of its Honorary Board of Directors.

Through his popular pastoral writing in Greek-American newspapers as well as his scholarly books and articles, Father Stanley Harakas has made a mark on the faith and morals of the Greek-American population of America. **AFGLC** is proud to salute him as an outstanding contributor to the cause of Hellenic education.