

WEEKLY BULLETIN NOVEMBER 5, 2023

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SUNDAY NOVEMBER 5

8:15 a.m. Orthros

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Memorials: Michael Burtzos, Panagiotis Fosses

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour

Christmas Pageant Information Table in Multipurpose Room

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 7

4:30 p.m. Greek School

7:00 p.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting

7:00 p.m. GOYA Dinner & Shopping for Needy Children

7:00 p.m. Clohessey Neighborhood Bible Study-Elmhurst <u>vanessa@clofam.com</u>
7:00 p.m. Savas Neighborhood Bible Study Group-LaGrange pssavas@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 8 – FEAST OF SYNAXIS OF THE ARCHANGELS

8:00 a.m. Orthros

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

7:00 p.m. Building & Grounds Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Stewardship & Welcome Committee Meeting

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 9 – FEAST OF ST. NECTARIOS OF AEGINA

8:00 a.m. Orthros

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 12:00 p.m. Koukla's Kafenio 4:30 p.m. Greek School

7:00 p.m. Discoveries in Orthodoxy

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10

6:00 p.m. Greek School Movie Night

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 11 – VETERANS DAY

5:00 p.m. Vespers

Epistle Reading—Galatians 6:11-18

Reader – Zoe Panton

Gospel Reading—Luke 16:19-31

Welcome to Holy Apostles Church! If you are new to our church today, please complete a welcome and information card located in the pew pocket in front of you. At the conclusion of the service, after receiving the blessed bread, give the card to a member of the Welcome Ministry located at the back of the church. Please consider staying for our Fellowship Hour. The Welcome Ministry member will be happy to escort you and answer your questions.

Fellowship Hour - Hosts Wanted

Please consider volunteering to host an upcoming Fellowship Hour. They can be hosted by individual families, multiple families, or ministries. Whether it's to honor someone's memory or celebrate a special event, your generosity allows our Holy Apostles' family and friends to gather and warmly welcome visitors to our parish. We are looking for interested hosts for these remaining Sundays in 2023: December 10, 24 and 31. Please sign up on our website or in the Multi-Purpose Room after Liturgy. Thank you!

Απολυτίκιον Άναστάσιμον. ³Ηγος πλ. α΄.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν ὅτι ηὐδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Ton sinanarhon Logon Patri ke Pnevmati, ton ek Parthenu tekthenta is sotirian imon, animnisomen pisti ke proskinisomen, oti ivthokise sarki anelthin en to stavro, ke thanaton ipomine, kai egire tus tethneotas, en ti enthoxo anastasi aftu.

Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode pl. 1.

As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. For our salvation He was pleased to be crucified in the flesh, and to undergo death, and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

The Epistle—Galatians 6:11-18

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

The Gospel—Luke 16:19-31

The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazaros, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazaros in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazaros to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazaros in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to

my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses, and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if some one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to them, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if some one should rise from the dead.' ".

Koukla's Kafenio – Thursday, November 9

Save the date! All seniors are invited to a lively afternoon of Greek music, singing and dancing. A special tribute by The Men of Spirito choral group will honor our veterans. If you have not already done so, please RSVP today to Bess Shizas at (708) 703-2732.

Psalms Reading Group Begins – Everyone is invited to join in reading the Psalms throughout the Nativity Fast, November 15-December 24 in the privacy of your home. Use a resource that employes the Greek numbering system (Septuagint). Resource examples include: The Orthodox Study Bible, The Psalter, or Songs of Praise by Sylvia Leontaritis. All are available in our HARC. Register now through November 12 by sending your name/email to: psalter@holyapostleschurch.com

Adventure Theater – The Adventure Theater urgently needs boys and girls, 4th grade or older, to fill very important parts in our upcoming radio Christmas play. Memorization is not required because all lines are read! Next rehearsal is November 17, 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm at church. If you are interested, please text or email Mr. D at 708-528-2782 or Fanari@me.com

YAL is **Back!!** YAL is thrilled to reconnect with our young adults, ages 18 to 35. Please see enclosed flyer regarding our November 16th *Friends Giving*, and keep an eye out for other upcoming monthly events by visiting the Holy Apostles Facebook page for more details. We can't wait to see you.

Successful "Share the Warmth" Philoptochos Coat Drive - Thank you all for your generosity of gently used children and adult coats. Holy Apostles parishioners donated close to 200 coats! The youth coats will be given to Warm Coats for Cool Kids in Elmhurst. Adult coats will be donated to Repeat Boutique, an all-volunteer Christian Charity in the western suburbs. We appreciate your assisting the Holy Apostles Philoptochos in giving back to the community during this winter season. Also, thanks to Debbie Chiganos and Laura Pepke for organizing this wonderful event again this year!! Enjoy the holiday season!

OCF – Orthodox Christian Fellowship is hosting a college conference December 27-30, 2023 at the St. Iakovos Retreat Center in Kansasville, WI. Fee is \$385.00, plus travel costs. Please visit their website for complete details and links to register at www.ocf.net

HOLIDAY FOOD COLLECTIONSunday, October 22nd through Wednesday, November 8th



The holidays can be very difficult for those with food insecurity. Our most recent HOPE collections have been going to the Hillside Food Pantry (HFP) at Immanuel Lutheran Church while HOPE is researching a new storage facility. The Hillside Food Pantry feeds an additional 275 families each holiday and would really appreciate non-perishable add-ons to give away with turkeys they will provide.

Please consider making a non-perishable holiday donation to help those less fortunate. **ANY** donation is greatly appreciated.

Suggested Items

boxed stuffing instant mashed potatoes canned cranberry sauce canned or packets of turkey gravy (no glass jars please) canned pumpkin biscuit or cornbread mix pasta/spaghetti sauce – this is the one item that the food pantry runs out of on a regular basis. Even though this is not a traditional "holiday food", donations of this item would be greatly

appreciated. This is also the only item that they can accept in glass jars.

A turkey themed collection box will be set up in front of the HOPE collection counter to receive donations. This holiday collection is in addition to our on-going HOPE bags.

> Please feel free to contact either Maria Patt (mdpatt59@comcast.net) or Faye Adams (geofaye.adams@gmail.com) with any questions.

Together, we can make the holidays a little brighter for those in need.

Thank You for your Support!

Seniors, please join us at

KOUKLA'S KAFENIO

For: Greek Luncheon & Entertainment

Date: Thursday, November 9th

Time: 12 – 3pm

Place: Holy Apostles Multi-Purpose Room

All Seniors are invited to a lively afternoon of Greek music, singing and dancing.

A special tribute by *The Men of Spirito* choral group will

honor our Veterans!

<u>Please RSVP by Friday, November 3rd</u> to Bess Shizas at (708) 703-2732

We will be collecting items for the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans. If you'd like to donate, please bring new toiletries items: hand soap, deodorant, shampoo, etc



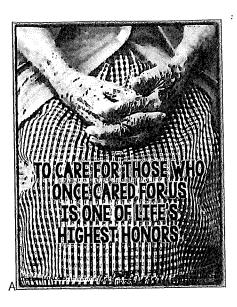
DISCOVERIES IN ORTHODOXY

THURSDAY EVENINGS, 7:00-8:15pm

SEPT 28: EPISODES 1 & 2 INTRO AND "JESUS"
OCT 5: EPISODES 3 & 4 "THE CHRIST" AND "THE
CORNERSTONE"

OCT 12: EPISODES 5 & 6 "TEMPLE" AND "PRIEST"
OCT 26: EPISODES 7 & 8 "SON OF GOD/MAN"
AND "PEACE"

Nov 2: Episodes 9 & 10 "Truth" and "Light" Nov 9: Episodes 11 & 12 "I AM" and "Love"



CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

A HOLY APOSTLES MINISTRY

Please join us

On Tuesday, November 14th

at 1:00 pm

In the Philoptochos Room

For Discussion and Coffee

See you then!

Please contact Kathy Steffenson at gksteff@gmail.com or Val Dranias at valdranias@aol.com with any questions. We hope that you will join us.

Saturday Vespers Potluck

2023

2024

August 12*

January 13

September 23

February 10

October 14

March 9

November 18*

April 13*

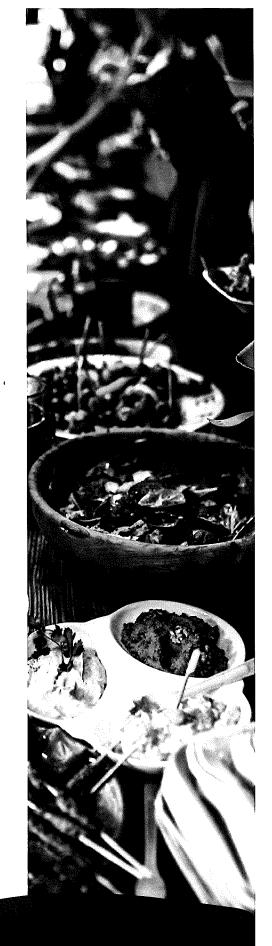
December 16*

∘May 18

*On these days, please bring fasting-friendly dishes

Vespers Service Begins at 5:00 PM
Potluck Immediately
Following at 6PM

Sign up each month using the link in the weekly email



QUESTIONS?

Email stewardship@holyapostleschurch.com

Collection for Metropolitan Family Services Holiday Shoppe



It's not too early to start thinking about Christmas and helping us make purchases for those who are less fortunate. Philoptochos has supported Metropolitan Family Services (f/k/a Family Shelter Services) for many years by purchasing new toys and clothing for families affected by domestic abuse.

Please look for the Philoptochos volunteers collecting funds in the multipurpose room after the liturgy on Sundays, November 12th, 19th and 26th. Donations can also be made by check made out to "Holy Apostles Philoptochos" and dropped off or mailed to the church office in an envelope marked "Family Shelter Service Donation". If you prefer, donations can also be made through the church website at www.tinyurl.com/haphiloptochos under "Family Shelter Services" donation.

Volunteers willing to help with the monetary collection, shopping and delivering of the gifts are asked to contact Angela Neboyskey (773-719-2619 or arkarras@gmail.com) or Marion Karras@gmail.com). Giving your time for this project ensures that many families who cannot buy gifts will be able to do so. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

HOLY APOSTLES GREEK SCHOOL PRESENTS

Fri, Nov 10th Doors open 5:45pm Movie at 6:15pm

\$15 PER TICKET





Featuring The Super Mario Bros. Movie
Holy Apostles Multi-Purpose Room
Parents Must Accompany Children

RSVP BY 11/6





You are invited to the Holy Apostles
YAL



NOVEMBER 16TH, 6:30PM
AT
HOLY APOSTLES CHURCH

Please Participate by bringing a food item!

Access this link https://tinyurl.com/holy-apostles-yal



Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 17th

We are pleased to announce that the children of the Holy Apostles will be presenting the annual Christmas Pageant on December 17th. Kindergartners through third graders will play the silent roles of the characters in the Nativity scene. Fourth through eighth grade students will sing traditional Christmas Carols for the program, some serving as narrators. High school students are encouraged to sign up to be assistants. High school vocalists and instrumentalists who are interested in joining the musical ensemble please call or text Zoe Tomaras (630-476-0223) or email christmaspageant@holyapostleschurch.com.

Non-registered youth are welcome to perform. Forms will also be available at church. Rehearsals will take place at 11:20 on Sundays: November 19th; December 3; and December 10 (children will be dismissed from Sunday School at that time). Also, a dress rehearsal on Saturday, December 16th at 9:00 am. Please attend as many rehaersals as possible.

An informational table will be set up in the multipurpose room on November 5th & 12th for registration and questions as well. Please feel free to contact Sandy Pihos, Pageant Director, for more information at: christmaspageant@holyapostleschurch.com call/text 630-640-5811 for questions or to get the forms by email.

Holy Apostles Greek School Balce Sale

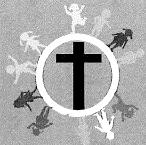
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19TH

After Divine Liturgy
Holy Apostles Multi-Purpose Room



Join us for coffee and fellowship after Divine Liturgy! All proceeds benefit the Holy Apostles Greek School.

• GREEK & AMERICAN SWEETS * FROZEN PITA TRAYS TO GO *



2023 - 2024 Meeting Dates

JOY typically meets at church every other Tuesday for dinner and Orthodox faith based activities from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. (directly after Greek School on Tuesdays, unless otherwise noted)

Deepen your youth's understanding of our relationship with God and His Church.

Learn what it means to live out the Orthodox faith.

Join a network of families from our parish with children in grades K-5.

Pray and have dinner with your fellow Orthodox friends.

Joy is led by Madeline Stone and Kassondra Schref.

Please email us at JOY@holyapostleschurch.com

Planned meetings 2023 - 2024:

Tuesday, September 26 Tuesday, October 10 Tuesday, October 24 Tuesday, November 14 Tuesday, December 19 Tuesday, January 9 Tuesday, January 23 Tuesday, February 13 Tuesday, February 27 Tuesday, March 12 Wed., April 10 (Church & dinner)

Join JOY (No cost to join) and attend meetings)



Sign up to host / sponsor dinner



Friday, May 3 (Good Friday Retreat Il a.m. - 2 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 14

Additional outings & fundraising events may be arrounced throughout the year!

Info at holyapostleschurch.com/JOY

Sermon Notes

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