

WEEKLY BULLETIN

MARCH 3, 2024

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SUNDAY

8:15 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
Memorials:
Fellowship Hour:
40 Day Blessing:
12:30 p.m.

MARCH 3

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
Fr Stephen Bithos, Angelo & Frances Kokas, Sotirios (Sam) Magdalinos,
Vasiliki Ntovas
Hosted by the Savas family, to celebrate Theofanis' baptism
Alexis Laughlin, Daughter-Emma
Baptism: Theofanis, son of Peter & Megan Savas
Sponsor: Thomas Mantice

MONDAY

6:30 p.m.

MARCH 4

Neolea Dance Troupe

TUESDAY

4:30 p.m.
5:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

MARCH 5

Greek School
Greek School PTO Meeting
GOYA Board Meeting
GOYA Meeting
Neighborhood Bible Study – Elmhurst (at Clohessy Home)
Philoptochos Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m.

MARCH 6

Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

6:45 a.m.
1:00 p.m.
4:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

MARCH 7

Brotherhood of St Peter the Apostle
Adult Bible Study
Greek School
Discoveries in Orthodoxy

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
4:30 p.m.
6:30 p.m.

MARCH 8 – FEAST OF THE 40 HOLY MARTYRS

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
Adventure Theater Rehearsal
Neolea Dance Troupe

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
4:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.

MARCH 9 – SATURDAY OF SOULS

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
Open Confession
Vespers
Vespers Potluck Dinner

Epistle Reading—1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Reader: Allie Rupp

Gospel Reading—Luke 15:11-32

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. Ἦχος πλ. β´.

Ἀγγελικαὶ δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνήμα σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν· καὶ ἴστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν ἄδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ’ αὐτοῦ· ὑπήνησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωὴν. Ὁ ἀναστάς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode pl. 2.

When the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. And standing by the sepulcher was Mary, who was seeking Your immaculate body. Unassailed by Hades, You divested it of spoils. Then You met the Virgin. You granted life. O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to You!

Angelike thinamis epi to mninma su, ke i filasontes apenekrothisan ke istato Maria en to tafo, zitusa to ahranton su soma; eskilefsas ton Athin, mi pirasthis ip’aftu ipintisas ti Partheno, dorumenos tin zoin. O anastas ek ton nekron, Kirie thoxa si.

The Epistle—1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Brethren, “all things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be enslaved by anything. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food” – and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, “The two shall become one flesh.” But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body and in your spirit which belong to God.

The Gospel—Luke 15:11-32

The Lord said this parable: “There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the property that falls to me.’ And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.’ And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.’ And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, ‘Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.’ But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, ‘Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!’ And he said to him, ‘Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.’”

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. A Welcome Ministry member will be happy to escort you and answer your questions.

Fellowship Hour Hosts Needed on March 10 and 24 – We are looking for families or ministries to help us provide light refreshments for fellowship after Divine Liturgy on Sundays. Families and friends can join together and host together in honor of a birthday, anniversary, memorial, or just to help us out! We also welcome ministries to host. Your generosity allows our Holy Apostles' family and friends to gather and warmly welcome visitors to our parish. Please sign up on our website or on the clipboard in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Pre-Sanctified Dinner Hosts Needed on March 20, 27, April 10 and 24 – We are looking for ministries to host a light meal and refreshments after Wednesday's Pre-Sanctified Liturgies during Lent, which begin at 5:30 p.m. Please call Lou at 708.562.2744 or send an email to office@holyapostleschurch.com if you are interested.

Holy Trinity Cathedral presents a viewing of Sacred Alaska on Tuesday, March 12 at the Pickwick Theater in Park Ridge, IL at 6:30pm. It's an award-winning documentary that offers an intimate look into Native Alaskan culture and spirituality. It showcases the profound influence of Orthodoxy, introduced by Russian monks in the late 18th century, on Alaskan society. For tickets, go to <https://shorturl.at/gktAF>.

Next Children in the Loft Date: Sunday, March 25 – We will meet at 9:00am in the choir room for robe, book, and line up assignments and for a brief review. Please confirm your child's participation so we may plan for space in the loft. Children will attend Sunday School with their class following Holy Communion.

Adventure Theater Spring Radio Play on Sunday, April 21 – The Holy Apostles Adventure Theater urgently needs boys and girls to participate in its Easter radio performance 'The Tomb with the Unbreakable Seal'. Lines are read, not memorized. **Rehearsals are held from 4:30-7:00pm on the following Fridays: March 8, March 15 and April 5. Additionally, a dress rehearsal will be conducted on Saturday, April 20 from 10:00am-2:00pm.** Interested? Contact Mr. D. at (708) 528-2782 or fanari@me.com.

YOUNG ADULTS! Do we have your contact information? We want to let you know when YAL and Lampros are holding events. Please scan the QR Code below to fill out the form:

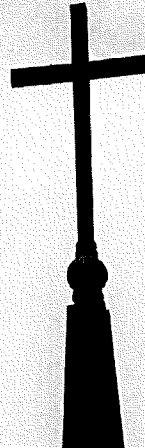


Discoveries in Orthodoxy

Divine Liturgy: The Greatest Invitation

February 22: "The Liturgy Mindset"
February 29: "The Power of Community"
March 7: "What Only God Can Do"
March 14: "God Comes in Love"

 HOLY APOSTLES
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



Join us for this
4-part series on
Thursdays at
7:00pm in the
Multipurpose
Room

CELEBRATION OF BOOKS

*"Spiritual Development:
Personal and Communal"*

**SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024
6:30 PM - SOLEMN VESPERS**

**8:00 PM - PRESENTATION BY
REVEREND DR. PANAYIOTIS
PAPAĞEORGIU**

**(PROTOPRESBYTER AT HOLY
TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH IN
MARIETTA, GEORGIA AND PRODUCER
OF TRISAGION FILMS)**

*The Celebration of Books Reception will be hosted on
Sunday April 7, following Vespers. To assist with this
event, contact Yvonne Farwell (630) 234-4666
yfawell@gmail.com or Ellena Vramas (630) 207-
3765, horevo60@gmail.com*

COMING SOON – GATHER YOUR CHILDREN’S BOOKS!!!



Bernie’s Book Bank Drive
Sunday, March 3rd through Sunday, March 17th

CHILDREN'S BOOK DRIVE

Sunday, March 3rd
thru
Sunday, March 17th

2 out of 3 children from under-served families have no books of their own



DONATE YOUR BOOKS

Bernie's Book Bank accepts new and gently used children's books, aged birth through sixth grade.*

*Please, no workbooks, textbooks or reference material.



OUR MISSION

Bernie's Book Bank sources, processes and distributes quality children's books to increase book ownership among under-served children throughout Chicagoland.

Learn more: www.berniebookbank.org | 847-780-READ (7323)

Philoptochos will once again sponsor a book drive to benefit Bernie’s Book Bank. Bernie’s processes and distributes free quality children’s books to under-served children throughout Chicagoland to empower these children to read their way to a better life. Over 25 million books have been distributed since 2009.

Please donate **new and gently used books for children from infancy to 6th grade**. Collection crates will be placed on the counter in front of HARC in the multipurpose room during this time.

For more information, please contact Maria Patt at mdpatt59@comcast.net.

Thank you for supporting our Holy Apostles Greek School and investing in the future of our children! With your help, we can upgrade our classrooms with modern amenities and resources that will enhance their educational experience and create a more productive learning environment that fosters creativity and love for their Greek language and culture.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday, March 16 for an evening of fellowship!

JOIN US FOR

Holy Apostles
GREEK SCHOOL
DINNER DANCE

MARCH 16, 2024 AT 6PM

GEORGIOS BANQUETS
8800 W.159TH STREET
ORLAND PARK, IL 60462

ADULTS \$100
KIDS (12 & UNDER) \$30

OPEN BAR • DJ • KIDS ENTERTAINMENT





Macaronatha Luncheon on Sunday, March 17th

On behalf of the Holy Apostles Parish Council, please join us after Divine Liturgy for our 65th Annual Macaronatha Luncheon. As we begin Great Lent let us nourish our souls and begin our efforts together as a church community with love and camaraderie.

Reservations are required! There are three ways to make them, so please choose whichever is most convenient for you:

- 1) Sign-up in the Multi-Purpose Room on Sunday, 3/3 or 3/10.
- 2) Click on the button provided in the *Holy Apostles Weekly News* or scan the QR code below and submit the requested information.
- 3) Contact Sandy Pihos, by phone/text at (630) 640-5811 or email at greeks1@gmail.com, your name, contact phone number, email address and the number of people in your party. If you would like to be seated with another family, please indicate their full names, as well. Please make sure that MACARONATHA LUNCHEON appears in the subject line of your email and Sandy will confirm your reservation's receipt.

This year, the Missions Ministry has decided to support the Orthodox Church of Albania. Holy Apostles has been participating by supporting the missionaries, Nathan and Gabriela Hoppe, who have been active in a variety of ministries including theological education and ministry to children and their families. They are actively engaging to establish and foster vibrant local Eucharist communities in Albania. Our Macaronatha Luncheon proceeds will go towards reestablishing the persecuted Orthodox Church of Albania as directed by the Hoppe family.





**METROPOLIS
OF CHICAGO**

**THE METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO
INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE**

VESPERS OF FORGIVENESS

**PRESIDED BY HIS EMINENCE
METROPOLITAN NATHANAEL**

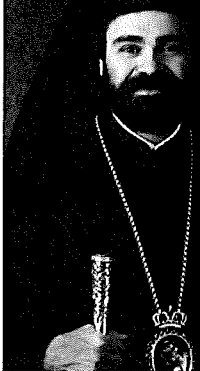


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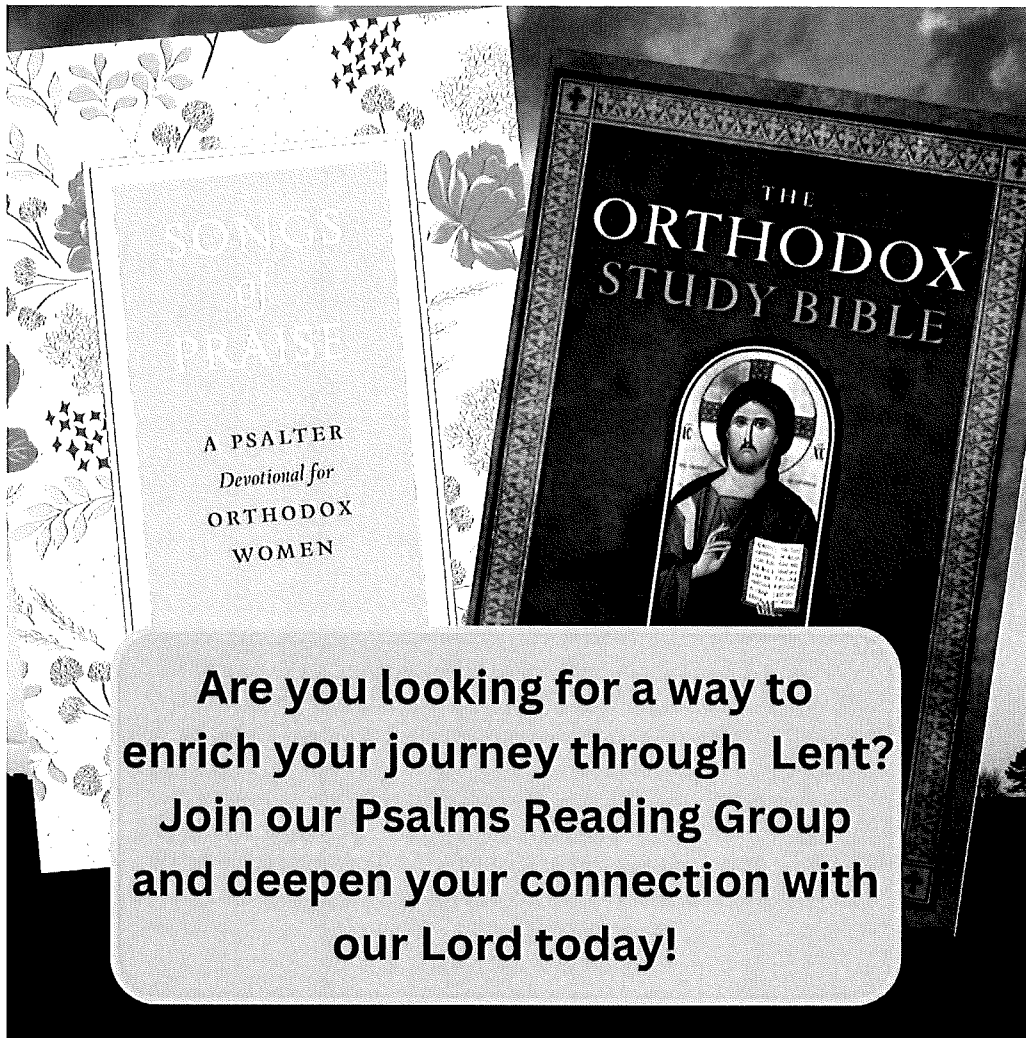
Service begins 6:00 pm

**St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church
893 N. Church Road, Elmhurst, IL 60126**

All are welcome to attend



Enrich your 2024 Lenten Season - Join the Psalms Reading Group!



Everyone is invited to participate in reading the Psalms throughout Lent:

- **When:** Monday, 3/18 - Friday, 4/26
- **Where:** In the privacy of your home
- **How:** Use a resource that employs the Greek numbering system (Septuagint). Examples are: The Orthodox Study Bible; The Psalter; or Songs of Praise by Sylvia Leontaritis, available in HARC.

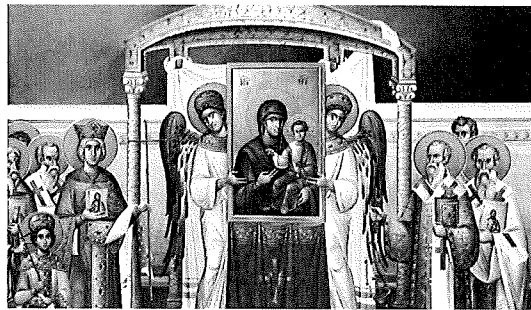
Register now through Wednesday, 3/13 by scanning the QR code below or sending your name and email address to psalter@holypostleschurch.com.



Triumph of Orthodoxy

PAN ORTHODOX VESPERS

Sponsored by the Orthodox Christian Clergy Association of Greater Chicago



6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 23, 2024

St John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church
2350 W. Dempster Street, Des Plaines, IL

Homilist: His Grace Bishop JOHN
Antiochian Orthodox Diocese
of Worcester and New England

Responses by
The Pan Orthodox Choir
of Greater Chicago
Gordana Trbuhovich, Director



THE SYNODIKON

THIS is the Faith of the Apostles!
THIS is the Faith of the Fathers!
THIS is the Faith of the Orthodox!
THIS is the Faith which has
established the Universe!

