

WEEKLY BULLETIN
MARCH 17, 2024

SUNDAY

8:15 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
Memorials:

6:00 p.m.

MONDAY

10:00 a.m.
7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

1:00 p.m.
5:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY

6:45 a.m.
1:00 p.m.
5:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.
6:15 p.m.
7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

7:00 p.m.
8:00 p.m.
8:15 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

MARCH 17 – FORGIVENESS SUNDAY

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
Thomas Marlas, Victoria Zarvali
Macaronatha Luncheon immediately following Divine Liturgy
Vespers of Forgiveness at St. Demetrios, Elmhurst

MARCH 18 – CLEAN MONDAY: GREAT LENT BEGINS

Open Confession
Holy Unction

MARCH 19

Greek School
Great Compline
GOYA Meeting

MARCH 20

40 Day Blessing: Alexander & Lucas, Sons of Michelle Chiampas
9th Hour/Pre-sanctified Liturgy
Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Dinner Hosted by Choir

MARCH 21

Brotherhood of St. Peter the Apostle
Adult Bible Study
Greek School Independence Day Program
Great Compline
Greek School Staff Meeting
Parish Council Meeting

MARCH 22

Salutations to the Theotokos
Communing with the Saints
Choir Rehearsal

MARCH 23 – SATURDAY OF SOULS

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
Open Confession
Triumph of Orthodoxy Pan-Orthodox Vespers @ St. John the Baptist

Epistle Reading—Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4

Reader: Zoe Pantou

Gospel Reading—Matthew 6:14-21

The Parish Council Welcomes Those Attending our 65th Annual Macaronatha Luncheon Today!

Please check in at the table outside the Multipurpose Room doors on the east end of the hallway to obtain your table assignment. If you did not make a reservation, we may still have seating available. Free-will donations will be accepted at this table or when baskets are passed during the meal. Once inside, Parish Council members will serve food to your table family style. You may get second helpings at the pass-through window of the kitchen. Cold and hot refreshments are self-service. For those not attending the luncheon who wish to donate to the Orthodox Church of Albania, there will be a collection basket as you exit the church.

**Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.
Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.**

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Ex ipsus katilthes o Efsplachnos, tafin katethexo tri-imeron, ina imas eleftherosis ton pathon, I zoi ke I anastasis imon, Kirie thoxa si.

**Resurrectional Apolytikion.
Mode pl. 4.**

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and consented to a three-day burial, to free us from the passions. O Lord, our life and resurrection, glory to You!

The Epistle—Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4

Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

The Gospel—Matthew 6:14-21

The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. "And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Children in the Loft Today - We will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the Choir Room for robe, book, and line up assignments and for a brief review. Children will attend Sunday School with their class following Holy Communion. On behalf of Bette Schieber and the Sunday School staff, thank you for your support!

Fellowship Hour Host Needed on Sunday, March 24 – It can be hosted by an individual family, multiple families, a ministry or group of ministries. Please sign up on our website under “Get Involved” or on the clipboard in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Fifth Saturday Serve Day on Saturday, March 30 – Join us for our first Fifth Saturday Serve of 2024! We will be making graduation baskets for elementary and middle school students and final exam survival kits for college volunteers at York Community Resource Center of Lombard. To register, please scan the QR code below or via the link in the Weekly News.



Sunday School Reminders

- Sunday School "begins" during the Divine Liturgy. We encourage families to arrive in time to hear the Epistle and Gospel. Your child can even earn stickers toward a prize for arriving at the beginning of Liturgy. Look for Mrs. Milak by the candles up until the sermon begins.
- Next Sunday, March 24, is the Sunday of Orthodoxy and your children (PreK-5th grade) are invited to bring a favorite icon to church with them to carry during the procession.
- There will be no classes on Sunday, March 31.
- Families are invited to bring their children to church for confession any Saturday in March, from 4:15-5:00pm, then again for 30 minutes after the conclusion of Vespers). Fr. George and Fr. Nicholas will be happy to answer any questions you might have.

Adventure Theater's Radio Play Sets New Performance Date – Due to circumstances beyond our control, the Adventure Theater Performance and Luncheon has been moved back four weeks to **Sunday, May 19** following Divine Liturgy. Please contact Mr. D if you have any questions or would like to reserve a ticket at Fanari@me.com or (708) 528-2782.

Easter Candles for Sale – Decorated Easter candles will be available to purchase after Sunday Liturgies on April 7, 14, 21 and 28 and following Holy Unction services on Holy Wednesday, May 1. The candles are \$15 each and make beautiful gifts for godchildren. If you would like to decorate or sell candles, please contact as Angela Karras Neboyskey at arkarras@gmail.com or 773.719.2619.

Need Service Hours – Holy Apostles is hosting the Metropolis Oratorical Festival on Saturday, May 11. We need volunteers to serve as timekeepers, door guards and general helpers. High school students and adults are welcome. If interested, email Mrs. Milak at sundayschooldirector@holypostleschurch.com.

Junior Olympics is Coming – Be on the lookout for more info soon. We need competitors in all sports, coaches and other volunteers, so **please mark your calendars for Saturday and Sunday, May 25-26!**



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WEST SUBURBAN VICARIATE

SUNDAY CONTRITION VESPERS

MARCH 17 | 6:00 PM

ST. DEMETRIOS - ELMHURST

His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael Presiding

MARCH 31 | 6:00 PM

ST. SOPHIA - ELGIN

APRIL 7 | 6:30 PM

HOLY APOSTLES - WESTCHESTER

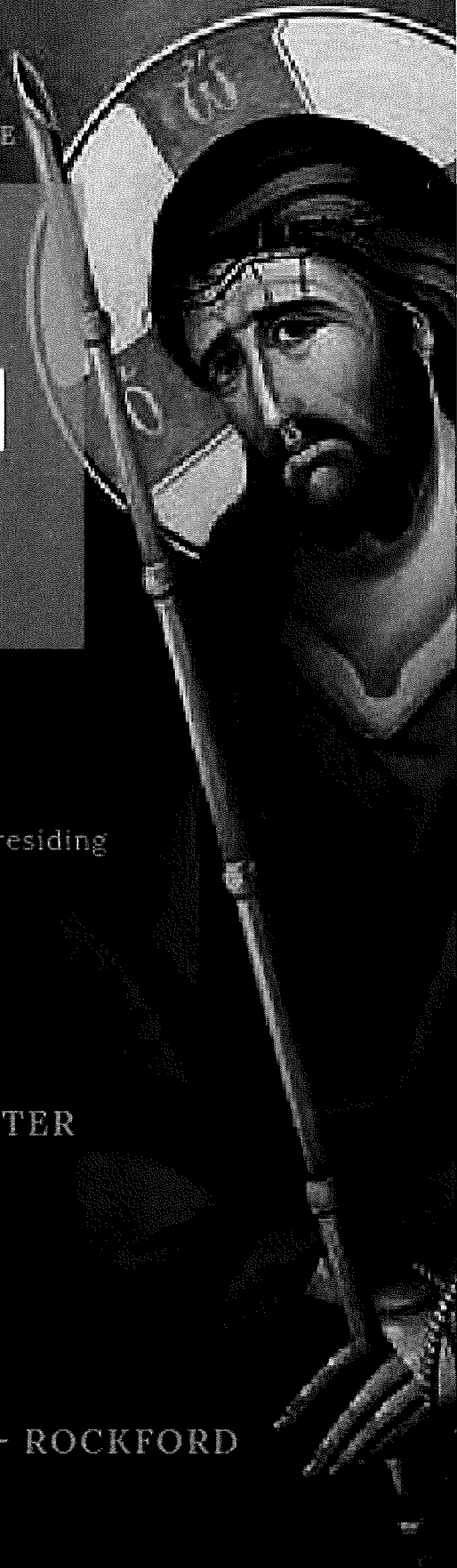
Celebration of Books

APRIL 14 | 6:00 PM

ST. ATHANASIOS - AURORA

APRIL 21 | 6:00 PM

STS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN - ROCKFORD



GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY
PROGRAM

THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST

5:00PM



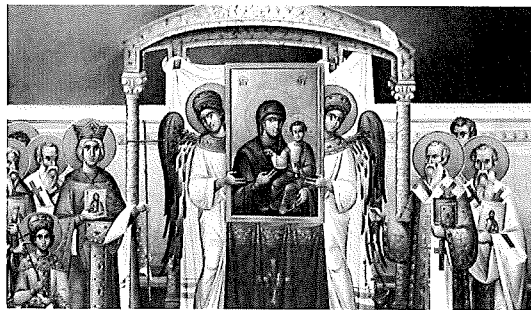
Join us on Thursday, March 21st as our students honor the heroes of the Greek Revolution. Please dress your children in traditional Greek attire or blue and white.

Students must be in their classrooms by 4:30 p.m. Our program will begin promptly at 5:00 p.m.

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!

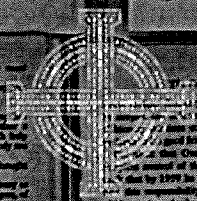
Goya Presents:

MEMORIAL LUMINARIA

Honor your loved ones with a luminaria. If you would like to have someone remembered in this way, please place your order by filling in the names of your loved ones via the QR or in the multipurpose room by April 21.



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GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



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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
PAPAGEORGIU**

**(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 Fawell (630) 234-4666,
yfawell@gmail.com or Ellena Vranas (630) 207-
3765, horevo60@gmail.com*

The Oratorical Festival

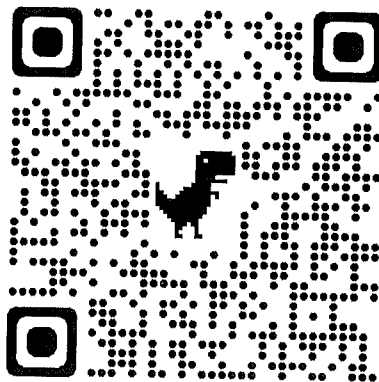
Sunday, April 14, 2024

Categories: Speech, Essay, Poetry, Iconography, Vocal Solo and Vocal Chant

First Place in the Jr. and Sr. division for Speech will receive a \$500.00 scholarship prize to use at their choice of one of the following for Summer 2024: Fanari, Lighthouse, Crossroads, or Ionian Village.

You can use this room to work and get help:

- **March 17** after Sunday School;
- **March 24** after Sunday School;
- **March 31** after communion in Philoptochos room
- **April 3** (Wednesday) 5:00 pm in GOYA room
- **April 7** “Dress Rehearsal” in GOYA room with feedback from a teacher



Telos Corner

Take Action: Get to know a young adult and learn about how they like to spend their time, what skills or hobbies they have, and connect them with a person or ministry in the church where they might be able to share their giftedness.

TELOSCOMMUNITY.ORG

