

WEEKLY BULLETIN AUGUST 25, 2024

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SUNDAY AUGUST 25

8:15 a.m. Orthros

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Memorials: Barbara Pappas, Nora, Jim, Demi and Dino Retsinas

11:00 a.m. Back to School Blessing

Fellowship Hour: Hosted by HARC in loving memory of Barbara Pappas

3:30 p.m. Wedding: Evie Dokos & Eli Sparks

Sponsors: Peter & Megan Savas

TUESDAY AUGUST 27

6:15 p.m. Sunday School Teacher Dinner & Orientation (MPR)

7:00 p.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting (Rooms 206 & 207)

7:00 p.m. 65th Anniversary Luncheon Committee Meeting (Philoptochos Room)

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 28

7:00 p.m. Stewardship Ministry Meeting

THURSDAY AUGUST 29 – FEAST DAY: BEHEADING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:00 a.m. Orthros

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

SATURDAY AUGUST 31

10:00 a.m. 5th Saturday Serve Day

5:00 p.m. Vespers

Epistle Reading—1 Corinthians 3:9-17 Reader: Zoe Panton

Gospel Reading—Matthew 14:22-34

Welcome to Holy Apostles Church – If you are new to our church today, after receiving the blessed bread at the conclusion of the service, look for a member of the Welcome Ministry standing at the back of the church. Consider staying for our Fellowship Hour. A Welcome Ministry member will be happy to escort you there and answer any questions you may have.

Back-to-School Blessing Today! — We warmly invite students of all ages, along with their families, to join us right after Divine Liturgy for this special occasion. Together, we will come together in prayer, seeking blessings for a successful and enriching academic year ahead. To add to the joy, each student will receive a small gift as a token of our love and support! This is not just an event; it's a celebration of our vibrant community and a chance to reinforce our commitment to education and spiritual growth. Let's embark on this new school year with enthusiasm and faith, creating cherished memories and strengthening our bonds within the Holy Apostles Church family.

Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode 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!

Απολυτίκιον Αναστάσιμον. Ήχος δ΄.

Έξ ύψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὔσπλαγχνος, 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.

The Epistle – 1 Corinthians 3:9-17

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder, I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw — each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

The Gospel – Matthew 14:22-34

At that time, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was out on the sea, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the strong wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they entered the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

Next 5th Saturday Serve Day is Saturday, August 31 – Please join us at 10:00am to make Activity Kits for the kids and teens who are going to Lurie's Outpatient and Rehab Center in Westchester. Hope to see you there!

Help Wanted – Looking for a way to give back and serve God? Please consider the needed volunteer opportunities below and contact Alexa at <u>Youthdirector@holyapostleschurch.com</u> if interested in learning more! These are open to EVERYONE! We want YOU!

- Sunday School We need teachers and subs for Sundays.
- **Jr. GOYA Advisors** We need one to two adults to help at meetings with 6th, 7th and 8th graders every 1st and 3rd Wednesday. You also would coordinate snacks and send reminder emails. You would NOT plan lessons or teach.
- **JOY Dinner Providers** We need a few volunteers to help bring/cook dinner for the JOY ministry (kids ages 5-12). We meet every 1st and 3rd Tuesday with about 20-30 children per meeting. We still need a few meals in the fall and five meals in 2025 so even if you can only do one time, please let me know!

Handmaidens Ministry Looking for New Members – All high school age girls are welcome to participate in the liturgical life of the church by becoming readers or prosphoron bakers, or both! Readers take turns reading the Epistle at the Divine Liturgy on Sundays. Bakers bake prosphoron for the Divine Liturgy when it falls on the fifth Sunday of a month. Email Handmaidens@holyapostleschurch.com to join the ministry or ask questions.

New Ministry Starting in September – The first meeting of our Bereavement Group will be held on Wednesday, September 18 at 1:00pm. We hope and pray that this group will be a safe place for participants to hear and to be heard, to find solace and rest, a place where peace and love settle in your soul. Our plan is to meet on the third Wednesday of the next six months. Please email Cleo Pappas at cleop76@gmail.com to indicate your interest.

Bible Study Begins on Thursday, September 12 – Fr George will lead the group in studying the Gospel of St John. Sessions begin at 1:30pm and end by 3:00pm.

You're Invited! — We know many of you have a flair for hosting family and friend gatherings, so we invite you to give of your time and talent to host a Fellowship Hour. It can be done by a single family, a group of families or members of a ministry, usually to honor someone's memory or celebrate a special event. Your effort and generosity are greatly appreciated! Dates are available beginning with September 22. Please sign up by scanning the QR code below and filling out the requested information or by printing your name on the clipboard in the MPR.



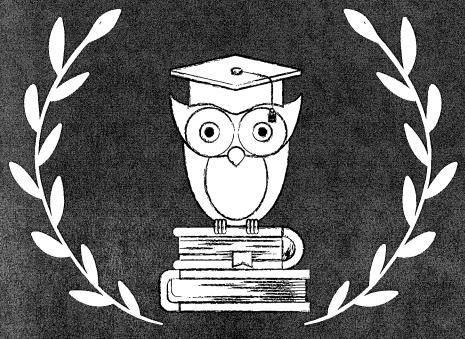
REGISTER BY AUGUST 31.



2024-2025

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Holy Apostles Greek School



Our Program

- Seasonal Programs
- Special Celebrations
- Greek Dance
- Music
- Religious Instruction
- Hands on Learning
- Classroom Technology

Heritage and Faith

Our students connect with their Hellenic Heritage and Orthodox Faith every class session.

Classes meet

Tuesday and Thursday 4:30 pm - 6:15 pm Pre-K through 6th Grade

Register Today!



Contact us:

Holy Apostles Greek School 2501 S. Wolf Rd, Westchester, IL 60154 Zoe Koultourides, Director (219) 669.6505

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Saturday Vespers Potluck

First Saturday of Each Month

2024

2025

* August 3*

* January 4

September 7

*February 1

October 5

•March 1*

November 2

April 5

*December 7 *

•May 3

*On these days, please bring fasting-friendly meals On March 1st, dairy & eggs are allowed

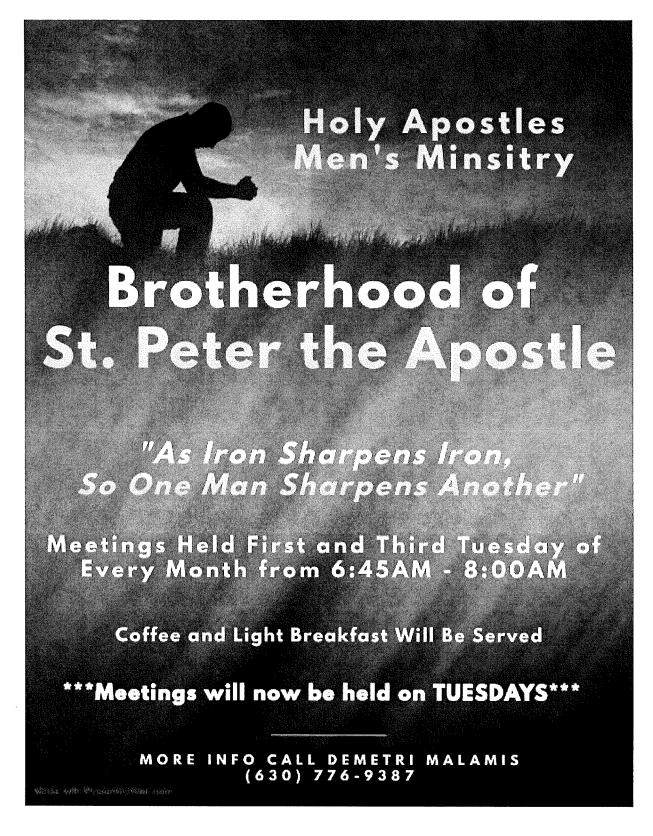
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Potluck Immediately Following
at 6:00 PM

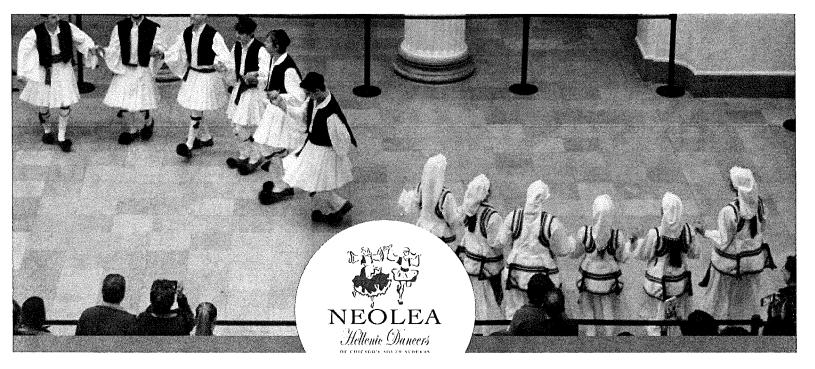
Sign up each month using the link in the weekly email

QUESTIONS?

Email stewardship@holyapostleschurch.com

1st MEETING OF THE NEW YEAR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 at 6:45am





NEOLEA IS BACK ON THURSDAYS

You may have seen us perform at various Hellenic events, including Greek Night with the Chicago White Sox, Field Museum, Greek

Church Festivals, as well as other events.

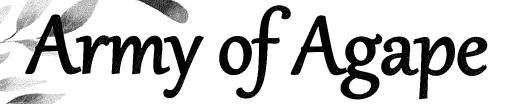
If you are interested in learning Greek dances and meet other kids, from the various parishes, stop by to see what we have to offer. Our next practice will be on:

Thursday, September 12th at 6:30pm

> Holy Apostles Church 2501 S Wolf Road * Westchester, Illinois, 60154

Information about our groups will be posted in FB and Instagram. Please follow the pages to get the latest updates. Practices will be held on Thursdays at Holy Apostles Church in Westchester for BOTH the Neolea (14+) and Neolea Jr (9-13).





All Generations Accomplishing Philanthropic Endeavors

Holy Apostles Philoptochos Society

Annual Membership Night

Tuesday, September 17th @ 6:30 pm

Modern Plate 119 N. York Street, Elmhurst, 1L Appetizers will be served Cash bar available

RSVP by 9/10 to Aleka Ernst

alekaernst@aol.com or (630) 561-1660

Please join our Philoptochos Chapter to continue its mission - online registration link/QR code or by check

www.tinyurl.com@haphiloptochos



An Enchanted Afternoon

Holy Apostles Philoptochos Society Annual Fashion Show & Luncheon

Saturday, October 19, 2024

Drury Lane

100 Drury Lane Oakbrook Terrace, IL

Tickets Available:

Table selection from the floor plan may only be done in person with the purchase of at least 8 tickets.

In Person: Saturday, September 7 from 9 am to 10 am in Church Multi-Purpose Room and the following Sundays through October 6 after Divine Liturgy

Online: Purchase through October 6 at www.tinyurl.com/HAPhiloptochos1 or scan QR Code

Proceeds to benefit Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley, CrossRoad Institute, and other Philoptochos Endeavors



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