

WEEKLY BULLETIN
SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

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SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Memorials: Constandina Dimitropoulos, Beneta Kosiara, George Roumbos, Peter & Sofia Roumbos, Constandinos & Panagiota Vlangos
Fellowship Hour: Pop Up Kafe for the benefit of the Greek Fire Relief Fund

SEPTEMBER 29

TUESDAY

6:45 a.m. Brotherhood of St Peter the Apostle
11:15 a.m. Feed the Hungry
4:30 p.m. Greek School
6:15 p.m. JOY (Grades K-4)
7:00 p.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting
7:15 p.m. ECM Webinar

OCTOBER 1

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Jr GOYA (Grades 6-8)

OCTOBER 2

THURSDAY

8:00 a.m. Orthros
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
1:00 p.m. Bible Study
4:30 p.m. Greek School
5:30 p.m. Greek School PTO Meeting
7:15 p.m. Discoveries in Orthodoxy: "Of Water and Spirit"

OCTOBER 3 – FEAST DAY OF ST DIONYSIOS THE AREOPAGITE

FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. Small Paraklesis

OCTOBER 4

SATURDAY

11:00 a.m. Baptism: Sophia, daughter of Sam & Mary Failla
Sponsor: Alyssa Failla
5:00 p.m. Vespers
6:00 p.m. Vespers Potluck Dinner

OCTOBER 5

Epistle Reading—2 Corinthians 1:21-24; 2:1-4
Gospel Reading—Luke 6:31-36

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.

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.

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.

Ἦχος πλ. α΄.

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

Ton sinanarhon Logon Patri ke Pnevmati, ton ek Parthenou tehthenta is sotirian imon, animnisomen pisti ke proskinisomen, oti ivthokise sarki, anelthin en to Stavro, ke thanaton ipomine, ke egire tous tethneotas, en ti enthoxo anastasi aftou.

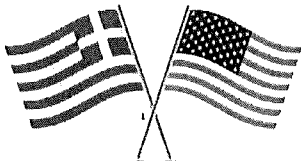
The Epistle –2 Corinthians 1:21-24; 2:1-4

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me — it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

The Gospel – Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said, “And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, despairing of no man; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”

Today's Fellowship Hour – Holy Apostles Philoptochos is hosting a Pop Up Kafé after the Divine Liturgy, with ALL proceeds going to the Greek Fire Relief Fund. This fund was launched by the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America to aid the communities in the Attica region affected by the devastating fires that took place in August. A collection box will be in place in the Multipurpose Room to accept donations. Look for the large evzone!



Collection baskets will also be available in the narthex for those unable to stay for the Fellowship Hour. Checks are welcome – please make them payable to Holy Apostles Philoptochos with Pop Up Kafe on the memo line. Checks may be placed into the collection box OR sent to the church office. Parishioners may also contribute online via a link through the Weekly News. Thanks for your support!

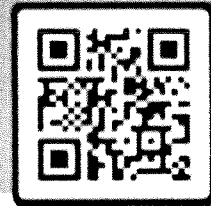
Discoveries in Orthodoxy Begins on Thursday, October 3 – Deacon Perry's new series entitled, "**Of Water and Spirit**", will focus on *the meaning & spirituality of Baptism for Orthodox Christians*. We'll not only discuss the various elements of the sacrament of Baptism, but, more importantly, we'll explore how our baptism and chrismation remain relevant for our spiritual lives today. To guide the sessions, he'll be using **Fr. Alexander Schmemmann's classic book, *Of Water and the Spirit***. This is "optional" or "recommended reading" for all who attend, and HARC has extra copies of the book available for purchase if you'd like to follow along. Please mark your calendars, invite your friends & neighbors, and attend as many sessions as you can. All sessions will be held at Holy Apostles on **Thursday evenings, 7:15-8:15pm**.



New Concept Debuts on Sunday, November 3 – A survey was taken looking for suggestions to revitalize the robust Coffee Hours that are held after the Divine Liturgy. Many of our parishioners generously sign up to host this wonderful way to share fellowship and visit with others. The most frequent suggestion in response to the survey was to fill in some gaps with a "Potluck Coffee Hour" where an individual signs up to bring just one item (40 pieces) to church and puts it in the kitchen by 9:30am that Sunday. The Fellowship Committee will plate and serve it. There is no other responsibility expected from those contributing to this coffee hour. Please click on the link in Wednesday's Weekly News to signup, making sure to include your name and contact information, or contact Sandy Pihos at greeksl1@gmail.com (write POTLUCK on the subject line). You may also call/text her at 630.640.5811. Your help is greatly appreciated! A reminder will be sent to you before the event.

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.

PLATO SCHOOL



SCAN ME



Let's Celebrate!

Plato School Reunion

Contact Christine Simms,
630-795-9956 for reservation or
scan the QR Code.

Fountain Blue Banquet
Oct. 19 | 6:30 PM \$40.00

Fellowship, appetizers,
dancing & cash bar

2024 Hellenic History Educational Tournament on Saturday, November 9 – We are excited to invite students in grades 8-12 to participate in this event, which will be held at Loyola University Chicago's School of Law, 25 E Pearson St, Chicago, from 10:00am-3:00pm. Registration deadline is Wednesday, October 23. This educational competition is for students who want to learn about 3,500 years of Greek history. There are \$12,000 in prizes to be awarded as follows: 1st Place - \$6,000, 2nd Place - \$3,000, 3rd and 4th Place - \$1,500 each.

PHILOPTOCHOS

"Share the Warmth"



Month of October

Your donation of gently used Adult and Children's coats to benefit Warm Coats for Cool Kids and Repeat Boutique will help those in need. Please bring your donations to the coat racks in the multi-purpose room.

Thank you for your support!

TOTS ♥

AGES 3-5

2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAYS

10:00AM-11:00AM

9/25	1/8	3/26
10/9	1/22	4/9
10/23	2/12	4/18, GOOD FRIDAY
11/13	2/26	RETREAT
12/11	3/12	5/14

3/19 (HOST
PRESANCTIFIED DINNER)

JOY

1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS,

6:15PM-7:15PM

Kindergarten-5th Grade

9/17	1/7	
10/1	1/21	3/19, (HOST DINNER)
10/15	2/4	4/18, GOOD FRIDAY
11/5	2/18	5/6 RETREAT
11/19	3/4	
12/3		
12/17		

6th, 7th & 8th grade

JR. GOYA

2024-2025

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 7:00-8:00pm

- 9/14 - Carwash 10-12pm
- 9/18
- 10/2
- 10/16
- 10/25-27 - Retreat
- 11/6
- 11/20
- 12/4
- 12/18
- 1/15
- 2/5
- 2/19
- 3/5
- 3/19 (host dinner)
- 4/8 - Palmfolding 6:30-8:30pm
- 4/12 - Pascha Prep, 10:30-11:30am
- 4/18 - Good Friday Candle sales/retreat
- 5/7
- 5/13 - Greek Night BBQ Party



GOYA

High Schoolers

2nd & 4th Tuesdays,

7:00-8:15pm

9/10	1/14	1/28
9/14, Carwash	2/11	2/25
9/24	3/11	3/25
10/8	4/8	
10/22	4/12 - Pascha Prep	
10/25-27, Retreat	4/18 - Good Friday	
11/12, Christmas	Retreat	
Shopping	4/22	
11/25, Friendsgiving	5/13 - Greek Night BBQ	
12/10	party	

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

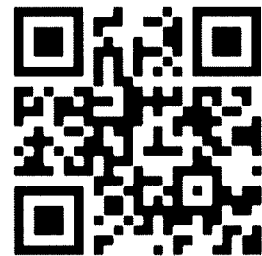
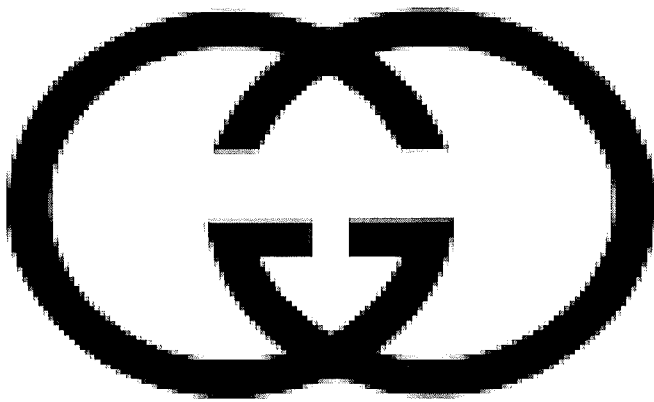
Proceeds to benefit Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley, CrossRoad
Institute, and other Philoptochos Endeavors



Luxe RAFFLE

BUY a \$20 raffle ticket to be entered to win
TWO luxurious items from

GUCCI



(scan to buy tickets)

A portion of the proceeds from this raffle will benefit
Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley
CrossRoad Institute

We would like to thank the Katherine Karvelas Group for their generous sponsorship of this prize.



Winner need not be present.

HOLY APOSTLES 65TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON COMMEMORATIVE SPONSORSHIP LETTER

Dear Holy Apostles Family,

On December 29, 2024, we will joyfully celebrate the 65th Anniversary of Holy Apostles Church, a milestone that marks decades of faith, community, and dedication. We look forward to our Holy Apostles family celebrating this special event during this blessed Christmas Season and welcoming in the New Year together.

To support the ongoing growth and endeavors of our cherished parish, we are reaching out to invite you to contribute through our unique digital sponsorship initiative. This year, we are forgoing the traditional printed ad book in favor of a dynamic digital format that will be showcased on screens throughout the event and featured on our YouTube channel, as well as our Facebook and Instagram pages.

By participating, your message or advertisement will reach our entire parish community and beyond, ensuring that your support is recognized and appreciated. This innovative approach not only allows us to highlight our benefactors but also enhances our sense of unity and connection.

We would be deeply grateful for your consideration and support. To reserve your space in the digital presentation, please complete the attached form and submit it by **December 7, 2024**. For any questions or additional details, feel free to contact Steven Savas at spssav@gmail.com, call or text 312-315-9797, find us during Fellowship Hour following Divine Liturgy every Sunday or visit the church office.

Thank you for helping us make this celebration a truly memorable one. Your generosity will contribute significantly to the continued growth and vitality of our Holy Apostles community.

In Christ,



Steven Savas
65th Anniversary Sponsorship Chairman





"BUILDING ON OUR FOUNDATION"

HOLY APOSTLES 65TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29TH, 2024

COMMEMORATIVE SPONSORSHIP FORM

*Deadline for Sponsorship Submission is **December 7th, 2024***

Please scan the QR code below to submit your sponsorship or log into the URL address below:



<https://form.jotform.com/holy.apostles.westchester.il/commemorative-ad-form>

OR use this form and enclose a check made out to "Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church"

OR credit card information and send to:

Holy Apostles Church Office at 2501 S Wolf Rd, Westchester, IL 60154

Email Logo (if applicable) to spssav@gmail.com or send hard copy.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

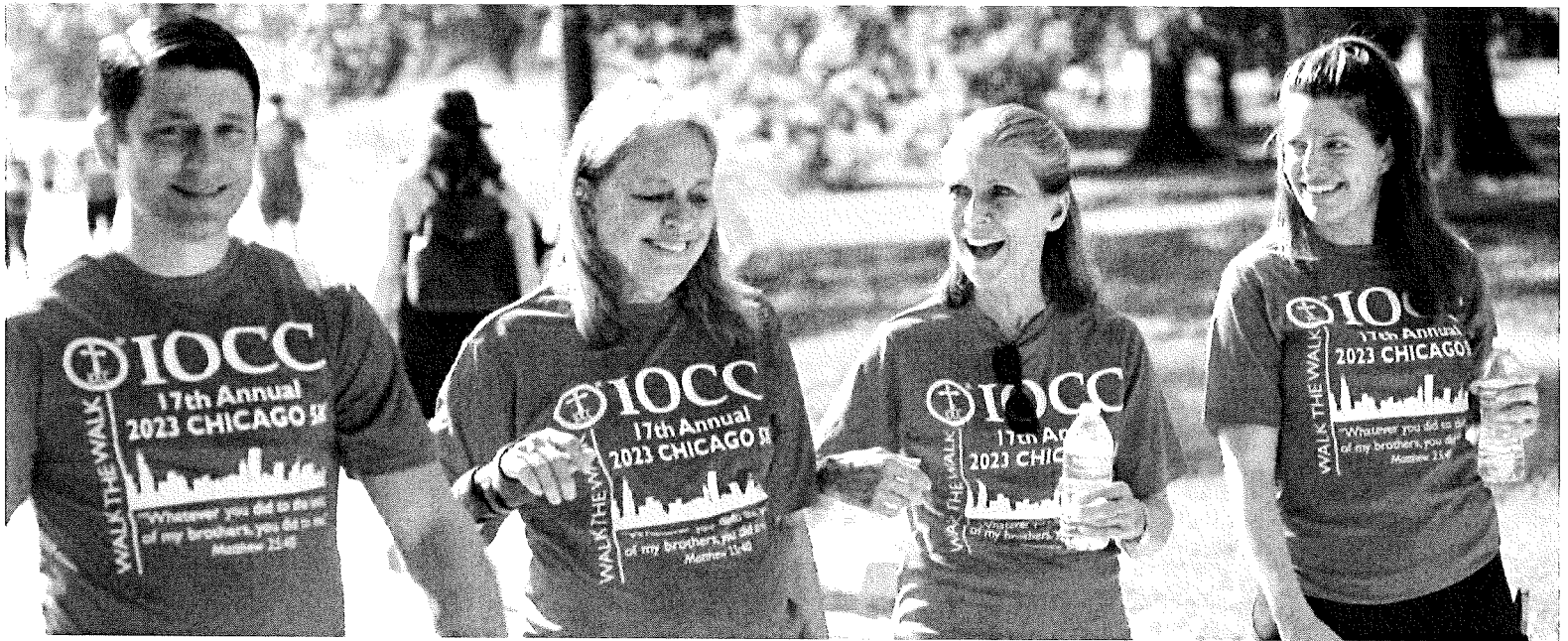
PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

CREDIT CARD # _____ EXPIRATION: _____ CVC: _____

Sponsorship Level	Contribution	Screen Size	Character Count
Diamond	\$5,000.00	Full Screen	Your family names or company name up to 200 characters and logo in JPEG, TIFF or BMP format, sized 1000x1000 dpi or better.
Platinum	\$2,500.00	One-Half Screen	Your family names or company name up to 175 characters and logo in JPEG, TIFF or BMP format, sized 1000x1000 dpi or better.
Gold	\$1,000.00	One-Third Screen	Your family names or company name up to 150 characters and logo in JPEG, TIFF or BMP format, sized 1000x1000 dpi or better.
Silver	\$500.00	One-Quarter Screen	Your family names or company name up to 100 characters.
Bronze	\$250.00	One-Sixth Screen	Your family names or company name up to 75 characters.
Patron	\$100.00	Listing	Your family names or company name up to 50 characters.

DONATION AMOUNT: \$ _____

COMMEMORATIVE SPONSORSHIP MESSAGE:



18TH ANNUAL Walk the Walk for IOCC

Saturday, October 5, 2024

*Join us for our 5K Walk/Run and make a difference
for those in need around the world!*

St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church
5649 N. Sheridan Rd. • Chicago, IL 60660

Registration 8:00 AM • Walk/Run Begins 9:00 AM • Breakfast following the race
\$20 – Registration before 9/15 | \$30 – Registration after 9/15 | \$10 – Children under 12

Register at ioccc.org/chicago or detach and complete form below.

Participant #1: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____ Age on Race Day: _____

I wish to sponsor the 18th Annual Walk the Walk for IOCC (Please select sponsorship level):

☐ \$1,000 Platinum Medal ☐ \$500 Gold Medal ☐ \$250 Silver Medal

Order your t-shirts here (one per participant). Indicate quantity on the line provided:

ADULT: ☐ S: _____ ☐ M: _____ ☐ L: _____ ☐ XL: _____ ☐ XXL: _____

CHILD: ☐ XS (Youth size 5-6): _____ ☐ S (Youth size 6-7): _____ ☐ M (Youth size 8-10): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

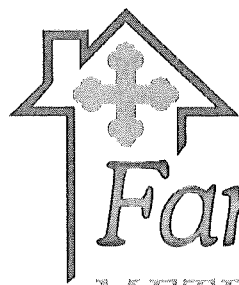
Make checks payable to IOCC
To guarantee a t-shirt, register by 9/20.

Questions? Contact
ioccchicago5K@gmail.com



Mail the completed form to:
IOCC Chicago
Metropolitan Committee
6251-53 W. Touhy Ave
Chicago, IL 60646

Waiver: In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I, intending to be legally bound, do hereby myself, my heirs and my assigns, waive any and all claims I or any below named minor may have against any of the Orthodox Churches of the greater Chicago area and IOCC or any event sponsor, or any city or public entity or agent for any and all injuries suffered by me, while traveling to, from and/or participating in the IOCC Run/Walk and hereby state that I assume any and all risk inherent in same. I further state that I am in good physical condition to participate in this event. I also hereby authorize IOCC to publish photographs taken of me for use in IOCC's digital and printed publications.



Family Synaxis

METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO

& PICK UP YOUR CROSS & FOLLOW ME MINISTRY

Invite you to our Annual Fall Retreat

God's Design **FOR OUR FAMILY**

Saturday, October 12 — 9:00AM - 4:00PM

Ascension of Our Lord Greek Orthodox Church

1207 Riverwoods Road, Lincolnshire, IL 60069

Keynote Speaker



**FR. GEORGE
DOKOS**

*Parish Priest
Holy Apostles Greek
Orthodox Church
(Westchester, IL)*

A day retreat for the whole family!

What do the Fathers of the Church have to tell us about Orthodox family life? How do we center our children around Christ? Join us for this day retreat to explore the rich teachings of our Church about the Christian family and how we can become holy in our own homes.

- Prayer services as a family
- Parent workshops and discussions
- Children's games and activities
- Parallel and inclusion programming available for children with special needs via Pick Up Your Cross Ministry
- Breakfast and Lunch provided



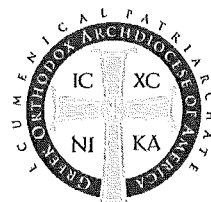
Scan the QR Code to Register Now!

\$75 per family — Must Register by October 6

Ages 4+ (Toddler Care Unavailable)

Questions? chicago.family.synaxis@gmail.com

Or visit www.gocfamilysynaxis.org



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Friends of the
St. Iakovos Retreat Center

Fall Volunteer Day 2024

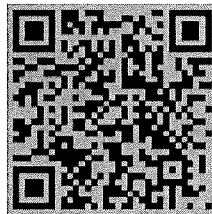
Sunday, October 13 ~ 12pm-5pm

**The members of the retreat center's auxiliary group need
your help in preparing for the winter season.**

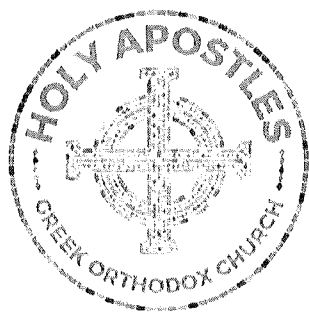
**So please bring your family and friends; along with
your work gloves and handy tools,
and spend a beautiful day in God's country.**

**Please complete the Sign- Up Genius [HERE](#) or
contact Marlon Karras at 630.561.5972 or
register via QR code below**

We will send you more information upon registration.



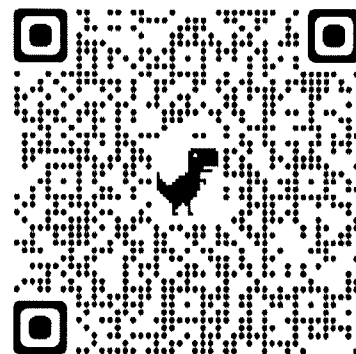
Seeking Applications for Directors of the Holy Apostles Foundation



The Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church newly created Holy Apostles Foundation is conducting a search for Greek Orthodox Christians (Orthodox Christians in good standing in a Greek Orthodox Church) interested in serving on its Board of Directors.

As a director, you will be working with other respective Board members in managing the Foundation's operations, which include fundraising, investment oversight, legal, and financial and accounting reporting. Experience in any of the above areas and/or having served on other non-profit boards is preferred.

The deadline for application submissions is **November 4, 2024**. Applications, as well as background information, can be accessed via the QR code:



Sermon Notes

Apostoli Agii

Anastassiou

Voice

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ci - ful God. That for - all - our - faults He may grant For - give - ness To our souls

ni - The - o i - na - pie - sma - ton a - fe - sin pa - ra - shi tes psi hes - i - mon.

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