

WEEKLY BULLETIN
NOVEMBER 3, 2024

SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Fellowship Hour: Potluck Coffee Hour
11:15 a.m. Sunday School Parent Assembly
40 Day Blessing Jamie LaPorta, daughter-Angelina
11:45 a.m. GOYA Board Meeting
12:30 p.m. Baptism: Serafina, daughter of Michael & Allegra Fosses
Sponsor: Maximos Lozano
Baptism: Evangelia, daughter of James & Michaelia Vuong
Sponsors: Theoharis & SamanthaLee Georgopoulos
Baptism: Thalia, daughter of Kameron Wamer & ZoeRae Lozano
Sponsors: Mario Lozano & SamanthaLee Georgopoulos
Baptism: Athena, daughter of Kameron Wamer & ZoeRae Lozano
Sponsors: Theoharis & SamanthaLee Georgopoulos

NOVEMBER 3

TUESDAY

6:45 a.m. Brotherhood of St Peter the Apostle
11:00 a.m. OCCA Meeting
4:30 p.m. Greek School
6:15 p.m. JOY (Grades K-5)
7:00 p.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting
7:15 p.m. ECM Webinar
7:30 p.m. League of Chanters Practice

NOVEMBER 5

WEDNESDAY

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

NOVEMBER 6

THURSDAY

1:00 p.m. Bible Study
4:30 p.m. Greek School
5:30 p.m. Greek School PTO Meeting
6:15 p.m. Neolea Dance Troupe
7:15 p.m. Discoveries in Orthodoxy – Of Water and Spirit

NOVEMBER 7

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. Orthros
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

NOVEMBER 8 – FEAST OF THE SYNAXIS OF ARCHANGELS

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. Orthros
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
5:00 a.m. Vespers

NOVEMBER 9 – FEAST DAY OF ST NECTARIOS

Epistle Reading—2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9

Reader: Zoe Panton

Gospel Reading—Luke 16:19-31

Resurrectional Apolytikion – Mode 2.

When You descended unto Death, O Lord, You who are immortal Life put Hades to death, by the lightning of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the hosts of heaven sang aloud to You, “O Christ God, Giver of life, glory to You!”

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. – Ἦχος β΄.

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἢ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας, τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Ote katilthes pros ton thanaton, i Zoi i athanatos, tote ton Athin enekrosas, ti astrapi tis Theotitos. Ote the ke tus tethneotas ek ton kaththonion anestisas, pase e Thinamis ton epuranion ekavgazon; Zo-othota Christe, o Theos imon thoxa si. Resurrectional Apolytikion – Mode 1.

The Epistle – 2 Corinthians 11:31-12-9

Brethren, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, he who is blessed forever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus and wanted to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands. I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven — whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise — whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows — and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

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 Lazarus, 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 Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus 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 Lazarus 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.’”

Sunday School Parent Assembly Today – Sunday School parents are invited to a special assembly today immediately following Divine Liturgy. Children will go to class as usual, but as parishioners depart and receive *andidoro*, parents should come back to the pews near the front. We will have a short, but important, meeting with Fr. George and Sunday School Director Toni Milak. Please attend! We'll conclude in time for you to pick up your children from their classes.

Applications for Directors of the Holy Apostles Foundation Due on Monday, November 4

The 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 marketing, fundraising, investment oversight, legal, accounting and financial 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 tomorrow. For applications and more information, please visit <https://holyapostleschurch.com/seeking-applications-for-directors-of-the-holy-apostles-foundation/>.

Calling All Veterans! – We plan to honor our Veterans next Sunday, November 10th after Divine Liturgy. Please email Katy Fisher at stewardship@holyapostleschurch.com to submit your name. Thank you for your service!

Hellenic College Fundraiser on Thursday, November 14 – This event, hosted by the St Athanasios Men's Group and HCHC Alumni Association, will be held at Empress Banquet Hall in Addison. Cocktail hour begins at 6:30pm. Dinner is at 7:30pm. Limited seating remains at the Holy Apostles table for \$125. It's a fundraiser for the education of future leaders of the Orthodox Church. Please contact Lou at 708.562.2744 if you are interested in attending.

Enrich Your Nativity Season - Join the Psalms Reading Group! – Everyone is invited to participate in reading/praying the Psalms throughout the Nativity Fast!

- When: Friday, November 15 - Tuesday, December 24
- Where: In the privacy of your home
- How: Use a resource that employs the Greek numbering system (Septuagint or The Seventy). Examples are: The Orthodox Study Bible; any Orthodox version of The Psalter; or Songs of Praise by Sylvia Leontaritis, available in HARC.

Register now through Monday, November 11 by sending your name and email address to psalter@holyapostleschurch.com.

Final 5th Saturday Serve Day of 2024 is Saturday, November 30 at 10:00am – Please join us as we will be tracing, cutting and stitching heart pillows with Stuffed Love. We will also make handwritten, decorative cards to go with the pillows. Stuffed Love provides support to families and children affected by congenital heart defects, as well as partnering with community food pantries and other local organizations. Hope to see you as we work with this amazing organization!



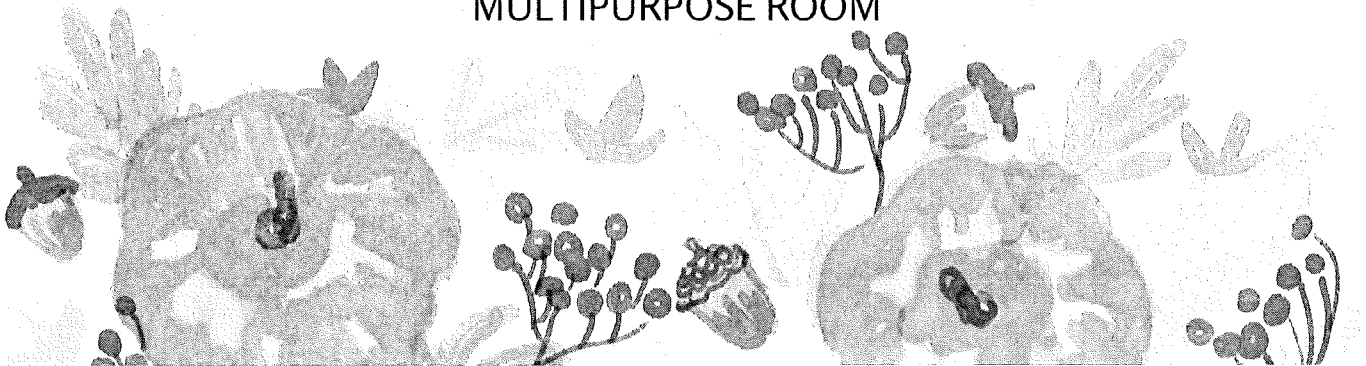
Fall

PITA SALE

BENEFITING THE HOLY
APOSTLES GREEK SCHOOL

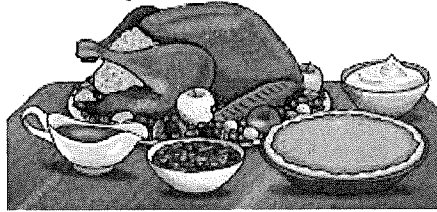
NOVEMBER 3RD AND
NOVEMBER 10TH AFTER
DIVINE LITURGY

DELIVERY JUST IN TIME FOR
THANKSGIVING ON NOVEMBER 24TH
AFTER DIVINE LITURGY IN THE
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM



HOLIDAY FOOD COLLECTION

Sunday, November 3rd thru Sunday, November 17th



The holidays can be very difficult for those with food insecurity. Our HOPE collections have been going to the Hillside Food Pantry (HFP) which operates out of Immanuel Lutheran Church one block to the north of us. The HFP hosts 2 Holiday Drive-thrus – one for Thanksgiving and one for Christmas. HFP provides turkeys and we are asking parishioners to donate sides to help HFP give away complete holiday meals. HFP has informed us that food donations are down. 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, jars, or packets of turkey gravy
- canned pumpkin (HFP provides evaporated milk and pie crust)
- canned fruits and vegetables
- biscuit or cornbread mix
- green beans/mushroom soup, French fried onion rings (green bean casserole ingredients)
- desserts: quick breads, cookie or cake mix, Jello

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!

PLEASE DONATE TO THE PHILOPTOCHOS

HOLIDAY TOY & WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

*to benefit families assisted by the
Family Shelter Service of DuPage*

Philoptochos volunteers shop and deliver items directly to the shelter where victims of domestic abuse have an opportunity to select a special Christmas gift for members of their families.

- ❖ DONATE IN PERSON EVERY SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER AFTER LITURGY
- ❖ SEND YOUR CHECK TO THE CHURCH OFFICE MADE OUT TO "HOLY APOSTLES PHILOPTOCHOS" and note "TOY DRIVE" in the memo
- ❖ ONLINE AT www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501
- ❖ SCAN THE QR CODE



Please consider helping us to make the holiday season brighter and happier for these families - Thank you!



Seniors, please join us at Koukla's Kafenio!

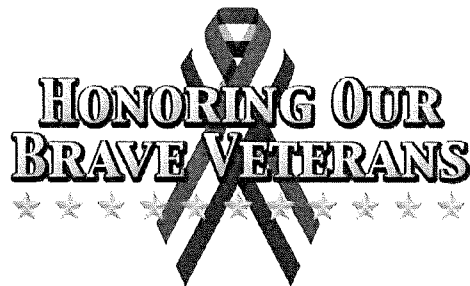
For: Lunch and Greek Entertainment

Date: Thursday, November 14

Time: 12:00pm - 3:00pm

Place: Holy Apostles multi-purpose room

All seniors are invited to an afternoon of
Music and Greek Dancing & Special Tribute to our Veterans
in honor of Veteran's Day



RSVP by November 8th to Bess Shizas (708) 703-2732

We will be collecting items for the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans.
If you'd like to donate, the following items are needed: hand soap, deodorant, shampoo,
conditioner, disposable razors, etc. (please NEW items only)



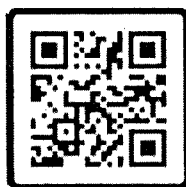
Christmas Breakfast with Santa

Please reserve a spot at the pancake Christmas Breakfast,
following Liturgy and the Pageant,
on Sunday December 15th.

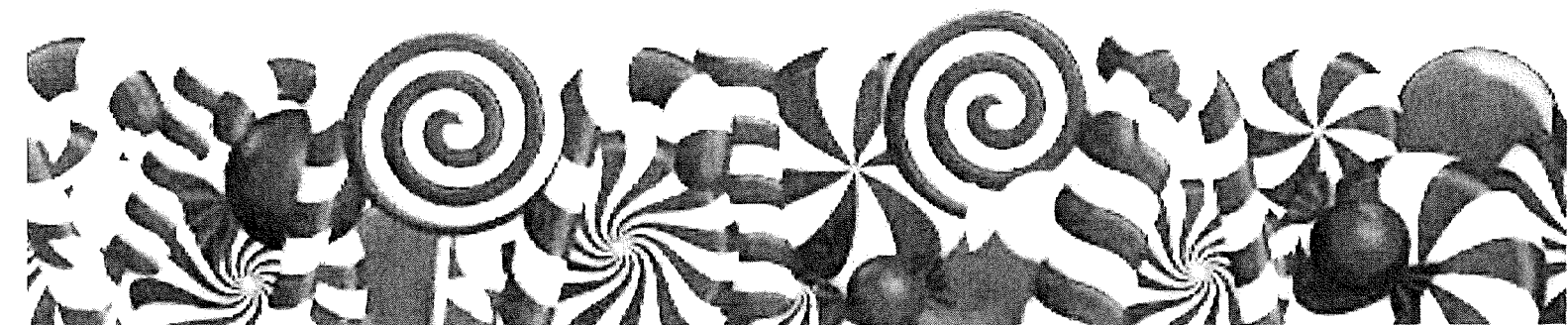
Santa will make a special appearance, in spite of his busy
schedule.

Cost will be \$10 for Adults and children 5 and older -
children 4 and under are free.

Please make your reservations
November 6th thru December 11th
either by clicking on the QR code here



online at www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501, in person after
liturgy on Sundays, December 1st & December 8th
or contact Nia Dillon at niamdillon@gmail.com





Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 15th

We are pleased to announce that the children of Holy Apostles will be presenting the annual Christmas Pageant on December 15th. 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 or be part of the Musical Ensemble. Contact Mrs. Zoe Tomaras for more information on the ensemble: 630-476-0223 or email at the address below.

Information was mailed to all registered Sunday School students in October with complete details of rehearsals and forms to register to participate. Non-registered Sunday School youth are welcomed to perform. The forms will also be available at church. All participants must fill out a form so that role assignments can be made.

An informational table will be set up in the Multipurpose Room on Sunday, October 27th and November 3rd. The first rehearsal will take place on Sunday, November 10th at 11:35. There will be rehearsals on November 17th, November 24th, and December 8th. Sunday School participants will be dismissed from their classrooms and rehearsals will start promptly at 11:20. A dress rehearsal will take place on Saturday, December 14th at 9:00am. Please attend as many rehearsals as possible.

Please feel free to contact Sandy Pihos, Pageant Director, for more information at:

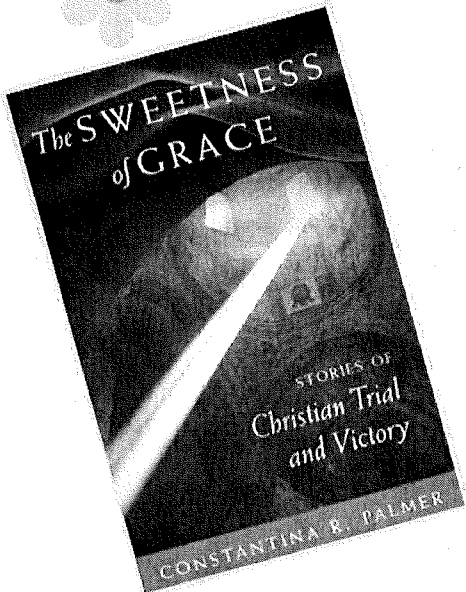
christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com or call/text 630-640-5811

NEW! AT HOLY APOSTLES

Women's

Book

Club!



Women of all ages are welcome to join in the reading of "The Sweetness of Grace". It is a short, easy read and should promote some fruitful discussion.

Please bring your favorite mug because we will use that as a way to get to know each other as we sip our way through the discussion.

WHEN:
THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 12,
7 PM

WHAT:
"THE SWEETNESS OF GRACE"
BY PRESVYTERA CONSTANTINA
PALMER

WHERE:
HOLY APOSTLES
MULTIPURPOSE
ROOM

Please contact Presvytera Christa Dokos with any questions and your RSVP by October 31 at preschrista@gmail.com or 605-376-3710. Make sure to include whether or not you will need a book ordered through HARC so Presvytera Michelle will know how many to order.



*Together, our Holy Apostles Family is celebrating our first 65 years.
Be part of the celebration!*

HOLY APOSTLES 65TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024

HILTON OAK BROOK HILLS RESORT
12:00 PM SOCIAL HOUR (CASH BAR)
1:00 PM LUNCHEON

RESERVATIONS

OCTOBER 1, 2024 - DECEMBER 22, 2024

Adults: \$65/person

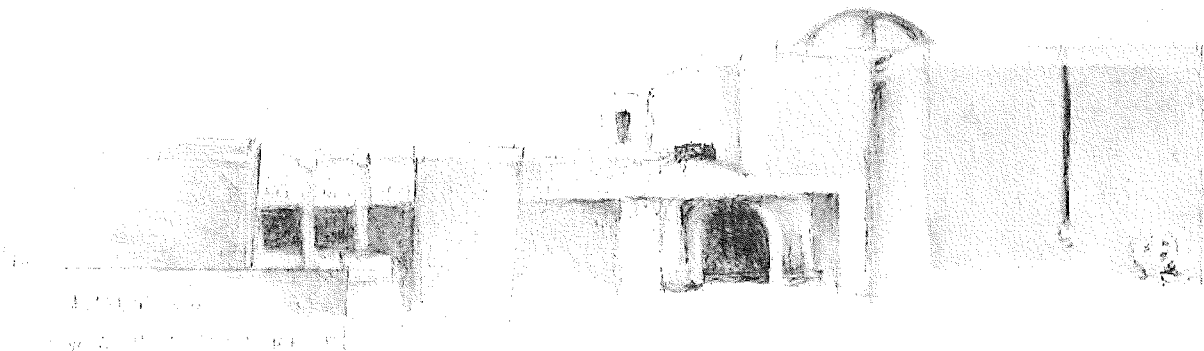
Children 12 and under: \$28

IN PERSON

Sundays after Divine Liturgy
beginning October 6th

ON LINE

Log into <https://form.jotform.com/242327277528058>





Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce that our church will be celebrating its 65th anniversary on December 29, 2024 at the Oak Brook Hilton Resort. As part of the festivities, we would love to have our children from 3rd grade through high school perform a special song during the anniversary luncheon.

Rehearsals will be held after church on the following dates in room 205:

- October 27 (after Sunday School until noon - come even if you haven't registered yet)
- November 3 (after Sunday School until noon)

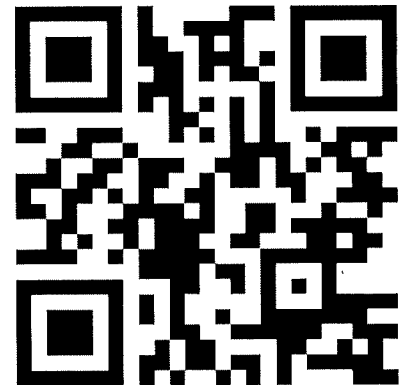
Additional rehearsals may be added in December.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our youth to share their voices and contribute to this significant occasion. We invite all interested children to participate in this celebration of our Holy Apostles history. High School students are encouraged to join us to assist with younger children.

Kindly fill out this brief form by scanning the QR code to confirm your child's participation, or email us at loft@holypostleschurch.com with any questions.

Please help us make this a memorable celebration!

Warm regards,
Bette Schieber
ZoeAnn Tomaras
Loft@holypostleschurch.com



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:

O Monoyenis Yios – Hymn of Justinian

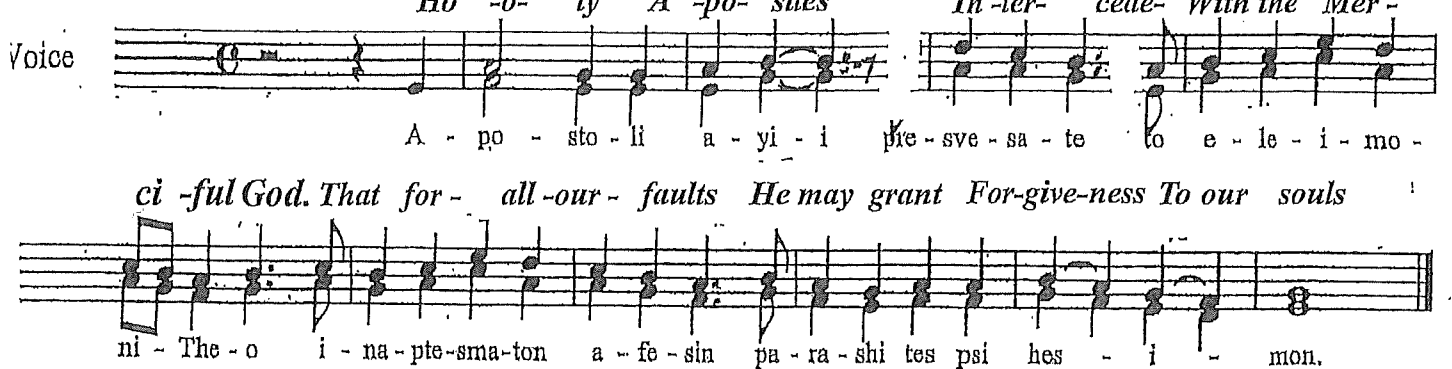
Only begotten Son and Logos of God, being immortal.
You condescended for our salvation to take flesh from the
Holy Theotokos and ever virgin Mary, and without change became man.
Christ our God, You were crucified and conquered death by death.
Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit.
Save Us.

Apostoli Agii

Anastassiou

Voice

Ho -o- ly A -po- stles In -ter- cede- With the Mer -



A - po - sto - li a - yi - i pre - sve - sa - te to e - le - i - mo -
ci -ful God. That for - all - our - faults He may grant For-give-ness To our souls

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Sermon Notes

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