

**WEEKLY BULLETIN**  
**NOVEMBER 17, 2024**

**SUNDAY**

8:15 a.m.  
9:30 a.m.  
Memorials:  
Fellowship Hour:  
11:20 a.m.

**NOVEMBER 17**

Orthros  
Divine Liturgy  
Michael Burtzos, Panagiotis Fosses, Georgios Kolimbiris, Peter Mathews  
Hosted by 2022 Holy Land Pilgrims  
Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

**MONDAY**

8:00 a.m.

**NOVEMBER 18**

Divine Liturgy

**TUESDAY**

6:45 a.m.

**NOVEMBER 19**

Brotherhood of St Peter the Apostle

8:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy

4:30 p.m.

Greek School

6:15 p.m.

JOY (Grades K-5)

7:15 p.m.

ECM Cohort Meeting

**WEDNESDAY**

8:00 a.m.

**NOVEMBER 20**

Divine Liturgy

1:00 p.m.

Bereavement Group

7:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m.

Jr. GOYA (Grades 6-8)

7:00 p.m.

Stewardship Ministry

**THURSDAY**

8:00 a.m.

**NOVEMBER 21 - ENTRANCE OF THEOTOKOS INTO TEMPLE**

Orthros

9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy

1:00 p.m.

Bible Study

4:30 p.m.

Greek School

6:15 p.m.

Neolea Dance Troupe

7:30 p.m.

Parish Council

7:30 p.m.

YAL Friendsgiving

**FRIDAY**

8:00 a.m.

**NOVEMBER 22**

Divine Liturgy

**SATURDAY**

8:00 a.m.

**NOVEMBER 23**

Divine Liturgy

11:00 a.m.

Baptism: Phaedra, daughter of Jason & Marianna Letkiewicz

Sponsor: Ana Qeleshi

3:00 p.m.

Wedding: Kristina Clark & Blake Murray

Sponsor: Gregory Logothetis

5:00 p.m.

Vespers

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**Epistle Reading**—Galatians 2:16-20

Reader: Zoe Panton

**Gospel Reading**—Luke 12:16-21

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**Please welcome** His Eminence Metropolitan Isaias of Tamasos and Orini and Fr. Stephanos Chrysanthou, both visiting from Cyprus, as they celebrate the Divine Liturgy with us today.

## **Resurrectional Apolytikion**

### **Mode 4.**

When the women disciples of the Lord heard the Angel joyously proclaim the resurrection, they cast aside the ancestral verdict, and boasting in glory they said to the Apostles, “Death has been despoiled! Christ God has risen, granting the great mercy to the world!”

### **Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.**

#### **Ἦχος δ΄.**

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριάι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

To fedron tis anastaseos kirigma, ek tu Angelu mathuse, e tu Kiriou mathitrie, ke tin progonikin apofasin aporipsase, tis Apostolis kahomene elegon. Eskilefte o Thanatos, igerthi Christos o Theos, thorumenos to kosmo to mega eleos.

### **The Epistle**

#### **Galatians 2:16-20**

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

### **The Gospel**

#### **Luke 12:16-21**

The Lord said this parable: “The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, ‘What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.’ But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God.” As he said these things, he cried out: “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

**Nativity Fast Has Begun** – During the Nativity Fast or Advent, which is the 40 days from November 15 until Christmas, the Church encourages us to intensify our spiritual lives in order to ready our souls and bodies for the Feast of Christ's First Coming. We do this through fasting, prayer, almsgiving, Holy Confession, and increased attention given to "preparing for His coming", to make sure we've done what we can to make a "fit dwelling place for Him" in our hearts and lives. During this sacred period of preparation, the Divine Liturgy is offered every day and there is open Confession on most Saturdays at 4 PM. Please take advantage of the increased number of services to sanctify your souls and to also make sure to go to Holy Confession. Your priests are always available to hear confessions, which is not an optional Sacrament, but necessary, for through Confession we receive God's mercy and forgiving grace.

**Philoptochos "Share the Warmth" Month of October coat collection was a great success!**

Thank you to Laura Pepke & Debbie Chiganos for organizing this wonderful annual event and thank you to all our parishioners for donating! All donated coats went to Repeat Boutique in Wheaton, IL, which welcomes people in-need, referred from charitable organizations, churches, and local government agencies. Philoptochos purchased 18 new children's coats, which were donated to Warm Coats for Kool Kids - a Philanthropic organization, based in Elmhurst, IL, which provides winter coats, hats, and gloves to children in need from families in the western suburbs of Chicago. The coats are distributed through events at local schools and community organizations. We also purchased and donated 33 new adult coats to Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans (MSHV) in Wheaton, IL. Their mission is "to empower at-risk veterans, and their families, to become self-sufficient, productive members of their communities".

**Pilgrimage of Discovery Presentation: A Glimpse into a Week-Long Journey to**

**Constantinople** – Please join us next Sunday, November 24 during Coffee Hour, as parishioner Marina Dimas shares her transformative experience in Constantinople. Learn about a new initiative for our Young Adults and gain a deeper understanding of the important mission of the Ecumenical Archons.

**Final 5<sup>th</sup> 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 there!

**Your Help Needed for 9th Annual Feed6 Challenge on Saturday, January 11, 2025 -**

This event is a wonderful opportunity for our entire community, from grandparents to grade schoolers, to come together to help those less fortunate in our local community. This year, we need \$56,000 in donations and 450 volunteers to meet our aggressive goal of 200,000 meals.

**PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation Awarding \$250,000 in 2024-2025 Scholarships –**

Please visit [www.panhellenicsf.org](http://www.panhellenicsf.org) for more information. Applications are due on January 31.



## HOLY APOSTLES CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!!**

The annual Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant is quickly approaching. **WE NEED MORE PARTICIPANTS.** Forms will be available at the November 17th rehearsal to register. 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. High school instrumentalists who are interested in joining the musical ensemble should contact Mrs. Zoe Tomaras at 630-476-0223 or email her at the address below.

The next rehearsals are on November 17<sup>th</sup>, November 24<sup>th</sup>, and December 8<sup>th</sup>. Sunday School participants will be dismissed from their classrooms and rehearsals will start promptly at 11:20. The choir should report to room 208 and K-3 should come into the church proper (nave), A dress rehearsal will take place on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. Please attend as many rehearsals as possible.

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

[christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com](mailto:christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com) or call/text 630-640-5811

PLEASE DONATE TO THE PHILOPTOCHOS

# HOLIDAY COLLECTION FOR TOYS & GIFTS

*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](http://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!*



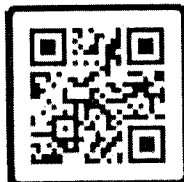
## Christmas Breakfast with Santa

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

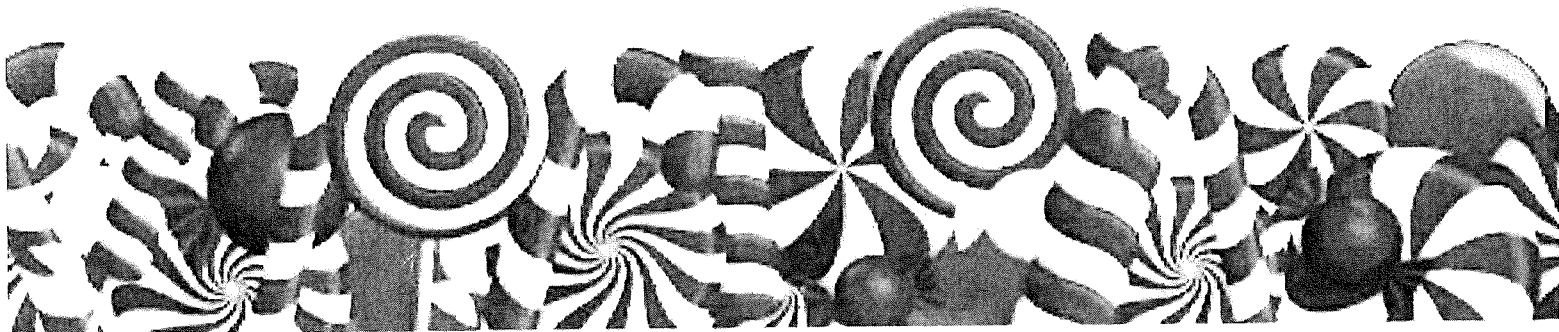
Santa will make a special appearance, in spite of his busy  
schedule.

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

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



online at [www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501](http://www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501), in person after  
liturgy on Sundays, December 1<sup>st</sup> & December 8<sup>th</sup>  
or contact Nia Dillon at [niamdillon@gmail.com](mailto:niamdillon@gmail.com)







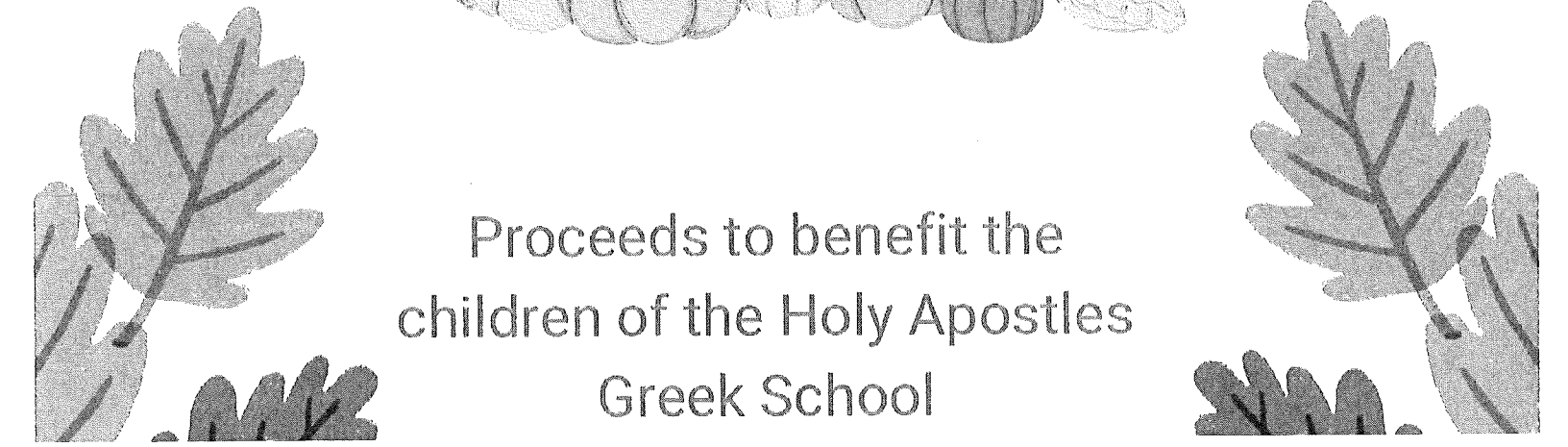
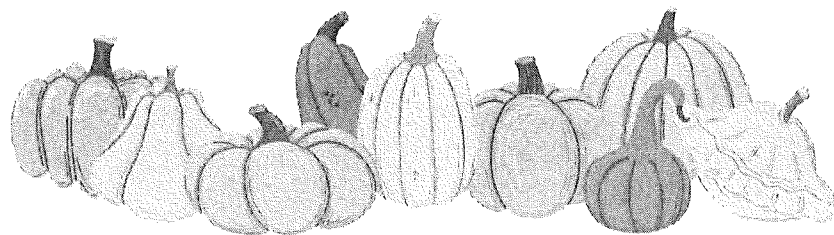
Holy Apostles Greek School

# AUTUMN BAKE

*Safe*



**SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24TH  
AFTER DIVINE LITURGY**



Proceeds to benefit the  
children of the Holy Apostles  
Greek School



*Philoptochos Annual  
Christmas Party and  
General Meeting*

*Tuesday, December 10, 2024*

*6:30 pm*

*Butterfield Country Club  
2800 Midwest Rd., Oak Brook, IL*

*Lenten Buffet Dinner - \$60 per person*

*Please RSVP and pay  
no later than December 3rd  
either by clicking on the QR code here*



*online at [www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501](http://www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501)  
or in person after liturgy on  
Sundays, November 24th & December 1st  
or contact Helen Kasimos at  
(630) 677-7757*

# JOINT SERVICE PROJECT

Missions, Philoptochos & Stewardship  
Ministry are hosting a service event to  
assemble cold weather kits to be used by the  
BEDS outreach team in LaGrange.

Wednesday  
December

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Project  
Immediately  
Following  
Liturgy  
at 6:00 PM

We will be collecting donations in the wrapped  
box by HARC.

Items to be collected:

chapstick, handwarmers, granola bars

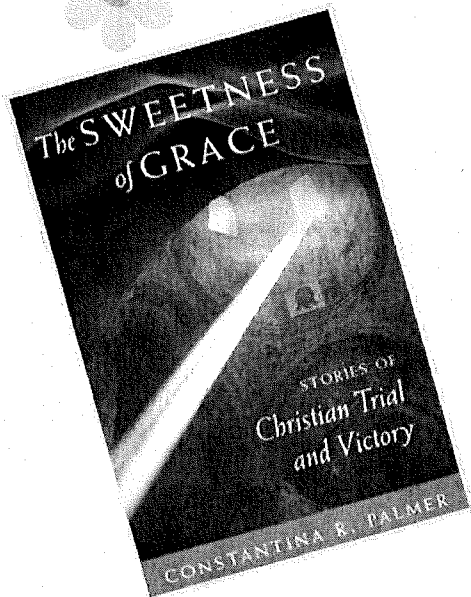
[stewardship@holypostleschurch.com](mailto:stewardship@holypostleschurch.com)

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](mailto: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

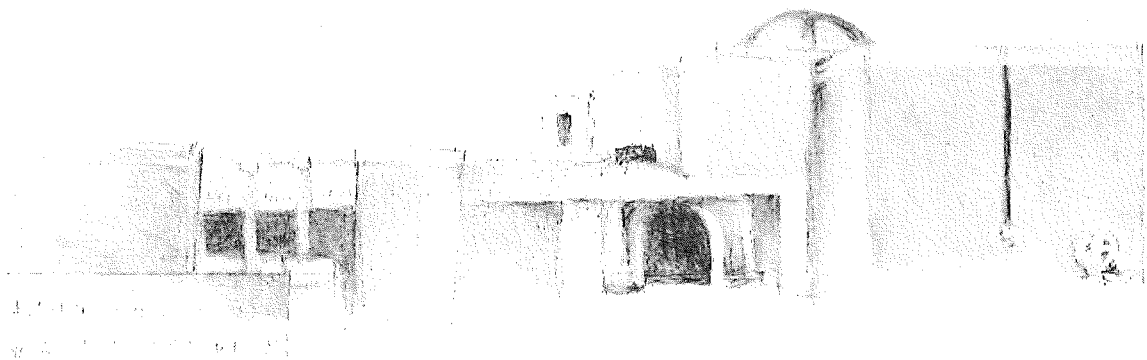
Children 12 and under: \$28

**IN PERSON**

Sundays after Divine Liturgy  
beginning October 6th

**ON LINE**

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





**"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](mailto:spssav@gmail.com) or send hard copy.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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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.
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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:**

# SCHOLARSHIP AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!



## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2024-2025



# \$250,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are due  
**January 31, 2025**

The application, criteria,  
requirements, and guidelines  
are available at  
**[www.panhellenicsf.org](http://www.panhellenicsf.org)**



## RECRUIT INTERNS THROUGH THE PANHELLENIC SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION!

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# Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago

# HOPE

Humanitarian Outreach & Philanthropic Engagement



## Mission Statement

Through Humanitarian Outreach and Philanthropic Engagement (HOPE) our mission is to support children, families, and individuals by partnering with Metropolis of Chicago Parishes and local networks to help achieve food security and stable housing.

### 1,600,000 MEALS

Complete meal kits with shelf stable food items provided via boxes/bags

### 3,000 NIGHTS

Shelter provided through Northside Housing & Supportive Services

### 12,500 KITS

Winter accessories, hygiene and other basic care necessities

## Beneficiaries

Children, families, and individuals within our parishes remain the primary targets, as well as members in need within our local communities. Anonymity is maintained for all beneficiaries and their private information will never be shared nor used for public consumption

## Our Outreach

- 50+ Greek Orthodox Families
- Abused & Battered Women's Shelters
- Senior & Assisted Living Communities
- Homeless Teen Shelters
- Low Income Families
- Underserved Communities

## Ways you can help



Meet with your HOPE Liaison in your church



Identify those in need within your parish and community



Hot meal, food and/or kit prep for distribution



Provide a space for prep and/or distribution



Enlist parish members to help collect & distribute



# O Monoyenis Yios – Hymn of Justinian

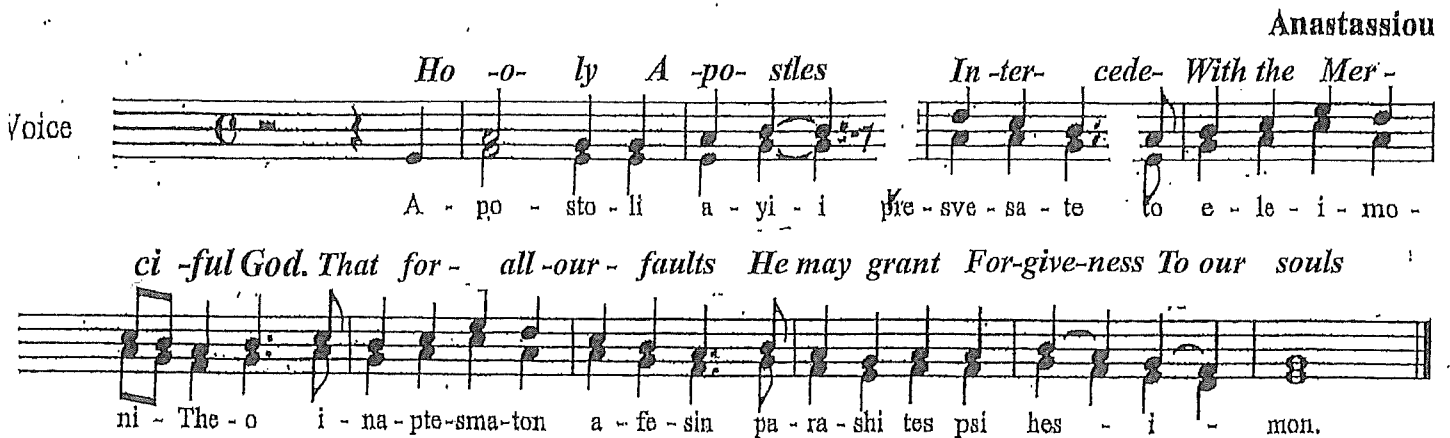
Only begotten Son and Logos of God, being immortal.  
You condescended for our salvation to take flesh from the  
Holy Theotokos and ever virgin Mary, and without change became man.  
Christ our God, You were crucified and conquered death by death.  
Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the 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*  
ni - The - o i - na - pte - sma - ton a - fe - sin pa - ra - shi tes psi hes - i - mon.

The image shows a musical score for a voice part. It consists of two staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics are written below the notes. The second staff continues the melody and lyrics. The lyrics are in English and Greek. The Greek text is: 'ni - The - o i - na - pte - sma - ton a - fe - sin pa - ra - shi tes psi hes - i - mon.'

## Sermon Notes

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