

WEEKLY BULLETIN
FEBRUARY 9, 2025

SUNDAY

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

FEBRUARY 9

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
William Anagnostopoulos, Arnold Anagnostopoulos, Marilyn Athas, Chrissy Banakis, Theodore Christou, Pauline (Pulcheria) Hamalis, Athanasios Kyriakopoulos, Theodora Kyriakopoulos, Maria Malone, Athanasios Pappasopoulos, Liberty Poteres, George Roussos, Georgia Spiropoulos, Angelo Tolios, Panayiota Tolios, Susan Tolios DeSensi, Gregory Tolios, Fr James Tsoulos, Demetri Vandarakis
Q4 Ministry Recognition
In loving memory of Chrisy Banakis, hosted by the Banakis, Mandelaris and Georgacopoulos families

MONDAY

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

FEBRUARY 10 – FEAST DAY OF ST HARALAMBOS

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
Basketball Banquet

TUESDAY

10:00 a.m.
1:00 p.m.
4:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 11

Clergy Syndesmos Meeting @ Holy Apostles
Caregivers Support Meeting
Greek School
GOYA

WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m.
2:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 12

TOTS
ECM Church Meeting

THURSDAY

1:00 p.m.
4:30 p.m.
6:15 p.m.
7:15 p.m.

FEBRUARY 13

Bible Study
Greek School
Neolea Dance Troupe
Discoveries in Orthodoxy: Orthodox Spirituality/Building on Our Baptism

SATURDAY

9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY 15

Peace of Mind Mental Health Training
Baptism: Stella, daughter of George & Victoria Burdeaux
Sponsors: Christina & Rob Welbourn
Vespers

Epistle Reading—2 Timothy 3:10-15

Reader: Ariana Mandelaris

Gospel Reading—Luke 18:10-14

Welcome Fr. Dean Hountalas, who is celebrating with us today.

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.

Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.

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

Ex ipsius 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

2 Timothy 3:10-15

Timothy, my son, you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Iconion, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

The Gospel

Luke 18:10-14

The Lord said this parable, "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Today's Artoklasia is to celebrate and pray for all Holy Apostles' ministries and to specifically recognize their outreach service projects from October through December 2024:

- GOYA: Bought and donated Christmas gifts for Cal's Angels, a charity for children with cancer.
- Jr. GOYA and GOYA: Made cards for Chrissy's Kits, a charity for priests to give gifts to people they visit in the hospital.
- Stewardship: Made hand stitched heart pillows for patients affected by congenital heart defects and made and decorated cards to be sent with the pillows.
- Missions/Philoptochos: Project HOPE ongoing food collection donated to the Hillside Food Pantry.
- Missions/Philoptochos/Stewardship: Nativity Lenten service project to assemble cold weather kits to be used by the BEDS outreach team in LaGrange.
- Philoptochos:
 - Pillars and Rocks Christmas senior visits;
 - Koukla's Kafenio where toiletries were collected and donated to the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans;
 - Collected food to donate to the Hillside Food Pantry holiday food drive; assembled specially formulated meals at Feed My Starving Children;
 - Collected children and adult winter coats that were donated to Repeat Boutique and also purchased children and adult coats that were donated to Warm Coats for Kool Kids and to Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans (also donated hats, gloves, scarves);
 - Made adult sized fleece blankets for the BEDS Plus service project;
 - Collected funds to purchase Christmas gifts for the Metropolitan Family Services Holiday Shoppe;
 - Provided support to several families facing challenging circumstances;
 - Prepared and distributed sack lunches at Annunciation Cathedral for Feed the Hungry program;
 - Donated funds to Fashion Show beneficiaries Easter Seals DuPage and Fox Valley and CrossRoads Institute, Archdiocese of Korea Foundation, Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese for Hurricane Relief, Stuffed Love, a 5th Saturday service project, Mission of Love and Hope, Fanari to fund two 2025 summer camp scholarships, Feed My Starving Children and St. Basil's Church Philoptochos for their Dress-A-Girl/Boy Sew-a-Thon.

Discoveries in Orthodoxy Concludes on Thursday, February 13 – Fr George's series entitled, "Orthodox Spirituality: Building on Our Baptism", discusses living out your baptismal life. Invite your friends!

Enrich your 2025 Lenten Season - Join the Psalms Reading Group! Everyone is invited to participate in reading and praying the Psalms throughout Lent.

- When: Monday, 3/3 - Friday, 4/11
- Where: In the privacy of your home
- How: Use a resource that employs the Greek numbering system (Septuagint). Examples are: The Orthodox Study Bible; The Psalter; or Songs of Praise by Sylvia Leontaritis. All are available in HARC.
- Register now thru Sunday, 2/23 by sending your name/email/phone number to: psalter@holyapostleschurch.com.

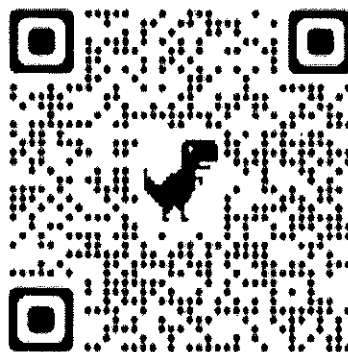
We're Hiring! – The Parish Council has begun a search for a part-time associate to work in the office and perform administrative functions in alignment with the needs of the parish and assist with delegated, day-to-day church responsibilities under the supervision and oversight of the Director of Parish Operations. An outline of these responsibilities, along with the qualifications, knowledge, skills and abilities for the ideal candidate can be viewed in the full job description, which is available [HERE](#) or in the office.

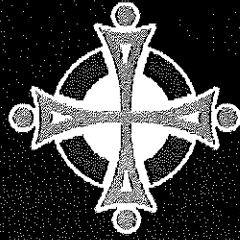
If you are interested in being considered for this opportunity, **please submit a cover letter and resume to office@holypostleschurch.com, with “ASSOCIATE RESUME” in the subject line of the email, or drop it off to the office, by Friday, February 14.** You can also help us by alerting qualified people that you know.



on Sunday, February 16 – 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 greeks1@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 and information will be sent before the event.

You’re Invited to Host a Coffee Hour! – 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! There are plenty of dates available in 2025. Please sign up by scanning the QR code below and filling out the requested information:





THE ASSEMBLY OF CANONICAL ORTHODOX BISHOPS
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PRESENTS

PEACE OF MIND

MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE GENEROUS
SUPPORT OF THE HELLENIC FOUNDATION

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15, 2025
HOLY APOSTLES GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
2501 WOLF RD. WESTCHESTER, IL 60154



No Cost- One Day Blended Mental Health First Aid Training

Register: <https://forms.office.com/r/ND47hY79Y7>

Contact: mjannakos@assemblyofbishops.org

Learn more: assemblyofbishops.org/peaceofmind



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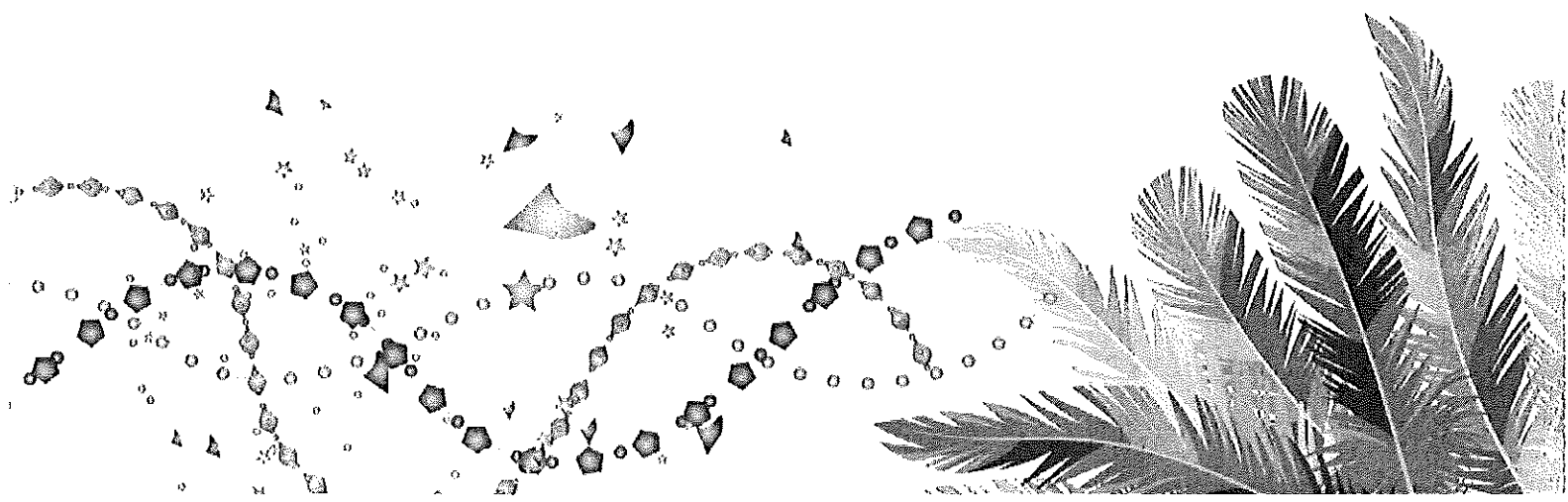
Hosted by the Holy Apostles Greek School

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

EMPRESS BANQUET HALL, 6 PM

Join us for dinner, dancing, raffles and activities for
all ages . Students will perform.
Proceeds to Benefit the Holy Apostles Greek School

Sponsorship & Ad Presentation Inquiries Email
holyapostlespto@gmail.com



Please join us for our
Philoptochos
General Meeting

Tuesday, February 18th @ 6:30 pm
Holy Apostles - Multi-purpose Room
Refreshments & Appetizers will be served

Special Guest Speaker - Maria Karalis, RDN

Maria is a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) which means she is a Food and Nutrition Expert, translating the science of nutrition into practical solutions for healthy living. Maria will be speaking on food, nutrition and fasting in the Orthodox Church

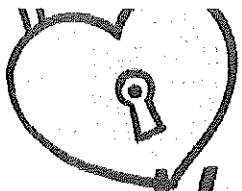
Please RSVP by 2/14 to Aleka Ernst
alekaernst@aol.com or (630) 561-1660

Please join our Philoptochos Chapter to continue its mission - Online Membership registration link/QR code below

www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501

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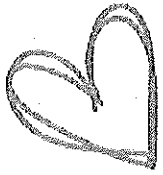




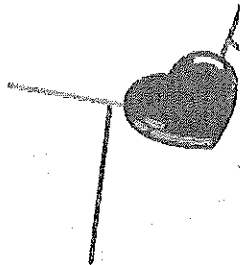
YOU ARE INVITED TO

Holy Taxiarchai & St.
Haralambos GOYA

VALENTINE'S
DAY DANCE

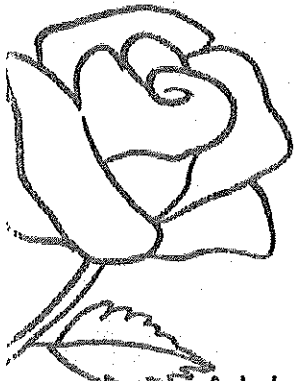


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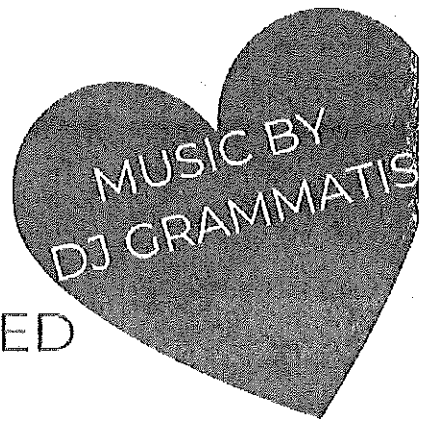
FROM 7:30 PM- 10:30 PM

7373 N CALDWELL AVE, NILES



COME JOIN US FOR FOOD,
MUSIC, DANCING AND
A PHOTO BOOTH!

ALL GOYAS GRADES 6th-12th INVITED



RSVP HERE

NO ENTRANCE FEE

*any free will donation will



Are you ready for college?

FREE

Prepare spiritually & practically at

OCF COLLEGE DAY

for high schoolers & their parents

Feb 22 | 11am-5pm

Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church,
Westchester, IL

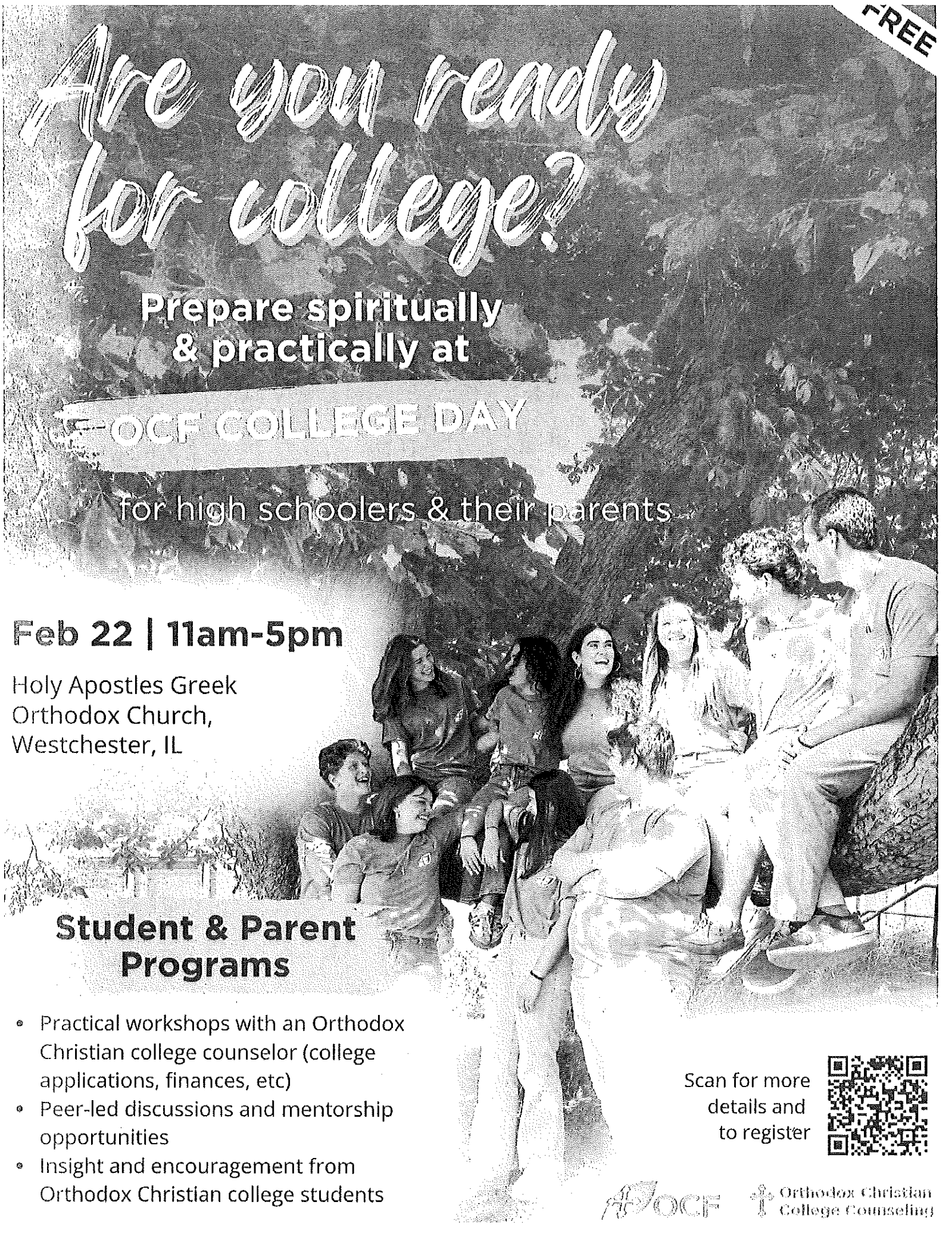
Student & Parent Programs

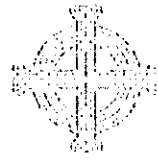
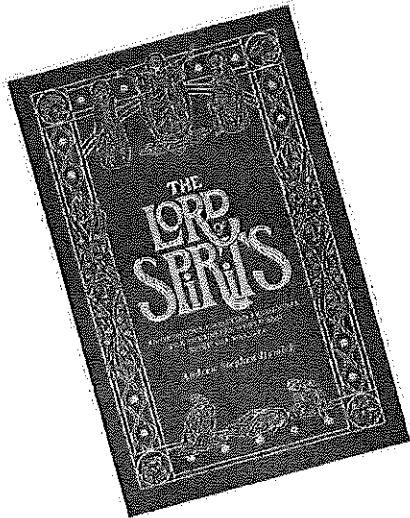
- Practical workshops with an Orthodox Christian college counselor (college applications, finances, etc)
- Peer-led discussions and mentorship opportunities
- Insight and encouragement from Orthodox Christian college students

Scan for more details and to register



Orthodox Christian College Counseling





HOLY APOSTLES
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Women's Book Club!

Women of all ages are welcome to join us in the reading of "The Lord of Spirits" by Fr. Andrew Stephen Damick. This will be a special read because Fr. Andrew will be speaking at our Celebration of Books this year!

Bring a mug as hot drinks will be provided.

WHEN:
THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 27,
2025, 7 P.M.

WHAT:
READING "THE LORD OF
SPIRITS" BY FR. ANDREW
STEPHEN DAMICK

WHERE:
HOLY APOSTLES
MULTIPURPOSE
ROOM

Please contact Presvytera Christa Dokos with any questions and your RSVP at preschrista@gmail.com or 605-376-3710.



Macaronatha Luncheon on Sunday, March 2, 2025

On behalf of the Holy Apostles Parish Council, please join us after Divine Liturgy on Sunday, March 2nd for our 66th Annual Macaronatha Luncheon. As we begin Great Lent let us nourish our souls and begin our efforts together as a church community with love and camaraderie. As always, your generous free-will contribution will be donated to one of our Mission projects.

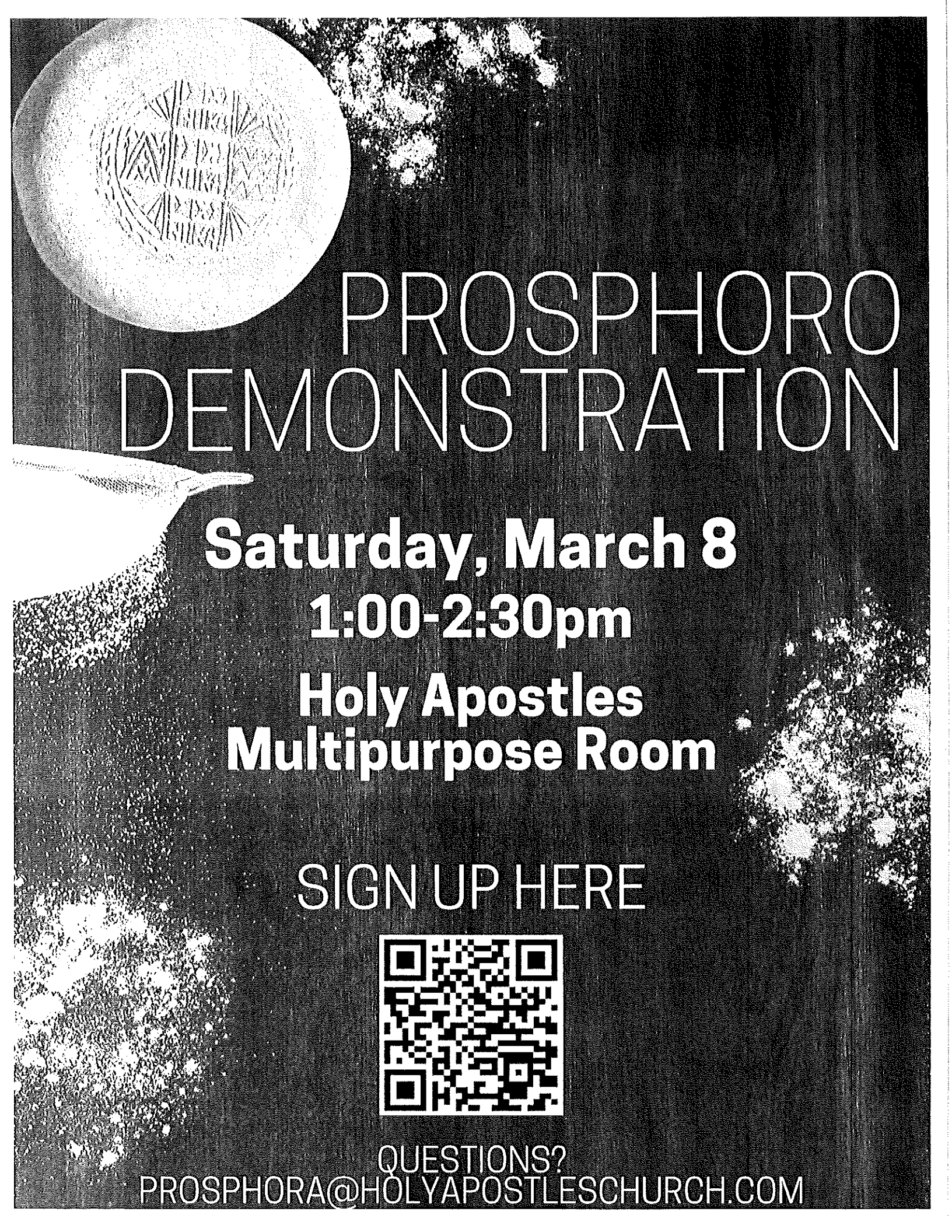
Reservations are required! There are three ways to make them, so please choose whichever is most convenient for you:

1) Click on the button provided in the *Holy Apostles Weekly News* or scan the QR code below and submit **ALL** the requested information:



2) Sign-up in the Multi-Purpose Room after Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, February 9, 16 or 23.**

3) Contact Sandy Pihos, by phone/text at (630) 640-5811 or email at greeks1@gmail.com, your name, contact phone number, email address and the number of people in your party. If you would like to be seated with another family, please indicate their full names, as well. Please make sure that **MACARONATHA LUNCHEON** appears in the subject line of your email and Sandy will confirm your reservation's receipt.



PROSPHORO DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, March 8

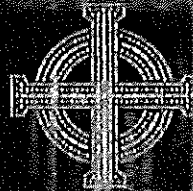
1:00-2:30pm

**Holy Apostles
Multipurpose Room**

SIGN UP HERE



QUESTIONS?
PROSPHORA@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM



HOLY APOSTLES
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

CELEBRATION OF BOOKS

"WHAT DO ANGELS HAVE
TO DO WITH
SALVATION?"

MARCH 16TH

6:30 PM SOLEMN VESPERS

8:00 PM PRESENTATION BY

FR. ANDREW DAMICK

(CHIEF CONTENT OFFICER AT
ANCIENT FAITH MINISTRIES)

The Celebration of Books Reception will be hosted on Sunday, March 16th following Vespers. To assist with this event, contact Yvonne Fawell, (630) 234-4666, yfawell@gmail.com, or Mary Maragos, (708) 712-4421, mem123@ameritech.net

Faithtree Kids
SUPER SAINTS
Heroes of our Faith

VBS 2025

June 9 - 13th, 2025
Pre-K through 5th Grade

Save the Date!

CARNIVAL FRIDAY
12-2pm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

SUPER SAINTS
Heroes of our Faith

WE WILL BE VISITING THE "HALL OF FAME" OF
SUPER SAINTS FOR OUR VBS JOURNEY THIS YEAR

JUNE 9-13TH
8:45-12:00PM

SCAN TO SIGN UP

CONTACT: NICOLE 630-673-6635

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 ke - 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 - fo - sin pa - ra - shi tes psi hes - i - mon.

The musical notation consists of two staves. The first staff is labeled 'Voice' and contains the lyrics 'Ho -o- ly A -po- stles In -ter- cede- With the Mer -' above the notes and 'A - po - sto - li a - yi - i ke - sve - sa - te to e - le - i - mo -' below. The second staff contains the lyrics 'ci -ful God. That for - all - our - faults He may grant For-give-ness To our souls' above the notes and 'ni - The - o i - na - pte - sma - ton a - fo - sin pa - ra - shi tes psi hes - i - mon.' below. The music is written in a single melodic line with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat).

Sermon Notes

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