

WEEKLY BULLETIN
PALM SUNDAY
APRIL 13, 2025

SUNDAY

8:15 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

Fellowship Hour:

40 Day Blessing:

7:00 p.m.

APRIL 13 – PALM SUNDAY

Orthros

Divine Liturgy

Hosted by the Willsey, Conforti, Colie & Sorensen families, in loving memory of Scott Willsey

Philoptochos Easter Candle Sale

Stavroula Bazigos, daughter-Anamaria

Bridegroom Service

MONDAY

9:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m.

4:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

8:15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m.

3:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY

6:30 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

APRIL 14 – HOLY MONDAY

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

Bridegroom Service

APRIL 15 – HOLY TUESDAY

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

Greek School - Grandparents Day

Bridegroom Service

Choir Rehearsal

APRIL 16 – HOLY WEDNESDAY

Holy Unction

Holy Unction

Holy Unction & Orthros of Holy Thursday

APRIL 17 – HOLY THURSDAY

Vesperal Divine Liturgy of the Mystical Supper

Service of the Twelve Gospels

FRIDAY

9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

3:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

APRIL 18 – HOLY FRIDAY (OFFICE CLOSED)

Royal Hours of Pascha

Holy Friday Retreat

Apokathelosis/Taking Down From the Cross

Jr GOYA & GOYA Candle Sales

Lamentations/Orthros of Holy Saturday

SATURDAY

9:00 a.m.

11:00 p.m.

APRIL 19 HOLY SATURDAY

First Resurrection Vesperal Divine Liturgy

Chrismation: Juan Garcia-Nambo

Sponsors: Steve & Toni Milak

Resurrection Service / Paschal Divine Liturgy to follow

Epistle Reading—Philippians 4:4-9

Reader: Ellia Gryfakis

Gospel Reading—John 12:1-18

Apolytikion of the Feast.

Mode 1.

To confirm the general resurrection before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore imitating the children, carrying the symbols of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over death: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord."

Ἀπολυτίκιον τῆς Ἑορτῆς.

Ἦχος α΄.

Τὴν κοινὴν Ἀνάστασιν πρὸ τοῦ σοῦ Πάθους πιστούμενος, ἐκ νεκρῶν ἡγειρας τὸν Λάζαρον, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός· ὄθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς ὡς οἱ Παῖδες, τὰ τῆς νίκης σύμβολα φέροντες, σοὶ τῷ Νικητῇ τοῦ θανάτου βοῶμεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

Tin kinin anastasin pro tou sou pathous pistoumenos, ek nekron igiras ton Lazaron Hriste o Theos; othen ke imis os I pedes, ta tis nikis simvola ferontes, si to Nikiti tou thanatou vo-omen: Osanna en tis ipsistis, evlogimemos o erhomenos, en onamati Kiriou.

The Epistle – Philippians 4:4-9

Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

The Gospel – John 12:1-18

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

Holy Week Collections – We are extremely fortunate to have parishioners who are so charitable in their support and contributions to Holy Apostles. Today, Palm Sunday, there will be two basket collections. The first basket is for Holy Apostles and the second is for the International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC). There will also be a basket collection in the Narthex for the beautiful flowers we enjoy during Holy Week. On Holy Friday, for the Service of Lamentations, the first basket will be for Holy Apostles and the second for our Holy Cross Seminary. On Holy Saturday, at the Resurrection Service, both basket collections will be for Holy Apostles. We sincerely thank you and feel so blessed by your generosity.

Volunteers to Sell Candles Needed – We need Jr. High, High School, College students and adult volunteers to sell candles during Holy Friday, Holy Saturday and Pascha services starting on Friday, April 18 at 2:15pm through Pascha morning's Agape service. Please sign up for as many shifts as you can via the Weekly email or email Alexa at YouthDirector@HolyApostlesChurch.com

Red Easter Egg Wrapping – Philoptochos is once again asking parishioners to donate red eggs so that they may be wrapped in tulle for distribution at our Anastasi and Agape Easter services. Please bring boiled, unrefrigerated red eggs to the MPR no later than Holy Friday morning, April 18. The eggs will be wrapped in tulle after the Royal Hours service on Holy Friday morning. All parishioners are welcome to assist.

Good Friday Food Donations Needed – Holy Friday is a special day that requires the entire parish to help make it work. One way you can help is to bring food to help feed our children and our volunteers during the day. If you can help bring food, please scan the QR code or click on the link in your Weekly Email!



Pascha Baskets to be Blessed at Midnight Service – At the conclusion of the midnight Divine Liturgy, we will bless the red eggs and Pascha baskets prepared by the faithful. These baskets are traditionally filled with the food that we have fasted from for the last 40 days, so they will include items such as meats, cheeses, and wine. Please bring your baskets to the Resurrection Service and place them on the table near the solea. We will break the fast together and have time for food and fellowship in the Multipurpose Room following the Liturgy.

Bereavement Ministry to Meet Again – After a brief pause during Lent, the group's next two meetings will be held on Wednesdays, April 23 and May 21, both 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. Please email Cleo Pappas at cleop76@gmail.com to indicate your interest.

Cemetery Plots For Sale – Holy Apostles is pleased to offer plots for sale at Chapel Hill Gardens West, located at 17W201 Roosevelt Rd in Oakbrook Terrace. Situated within the serene, park-like Garden of Ascension, these plots provide a peaceful and dignified final resting place. With fewer than 50 plots remaining from the original purchase of 270, this opportunity allows our members to secure a plot at a significantly discounted price—well below the cost of purchasing directly from Chapel Hill. For more information, please call Lou at 708.562.2744.



EASTER LAMBATHES SALE

Purchase your decorated Easter
Lambathes after Sunday liturgies
3/23 thru 4/13 and following
Holy Unction services on Holy
Wednesday, April 16th

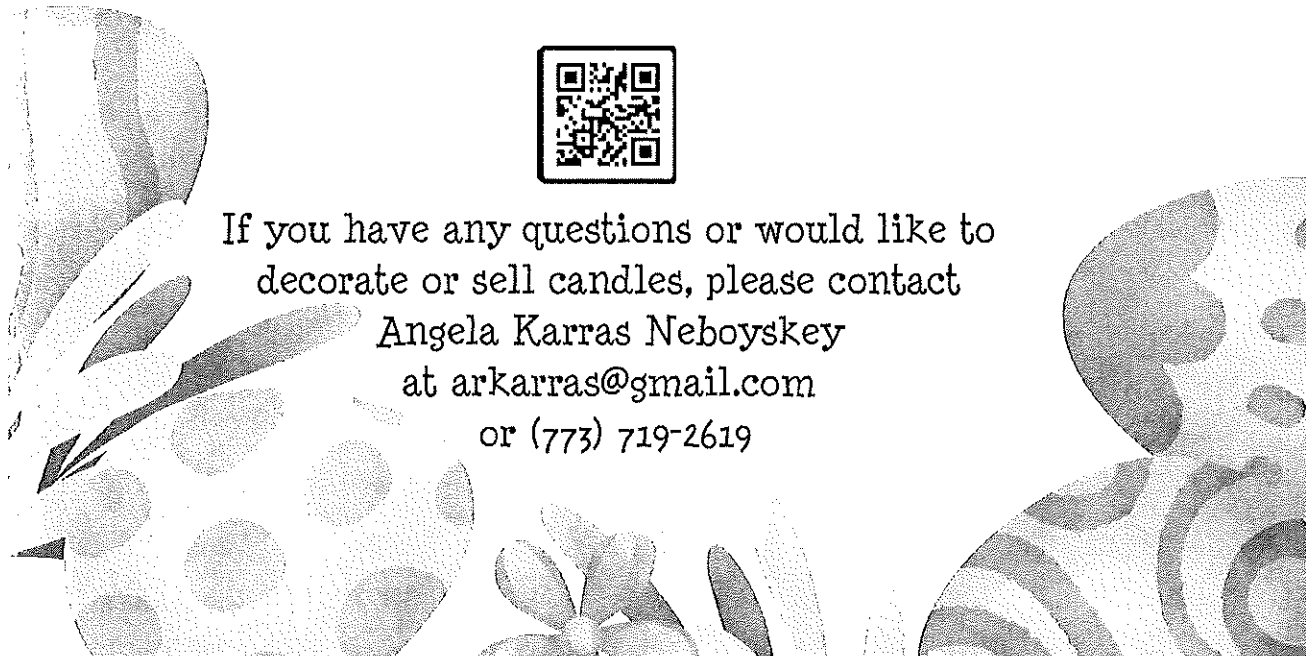
Candles are \$15 each and make
beautiful gifts for children/
godchildren

Cash - check -online

www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501



If you have any questions or would like to
decorate or sell candles, please contact
Angela Karras Neboyskey
at arkarras@gmail.com
or (773) 719-2619

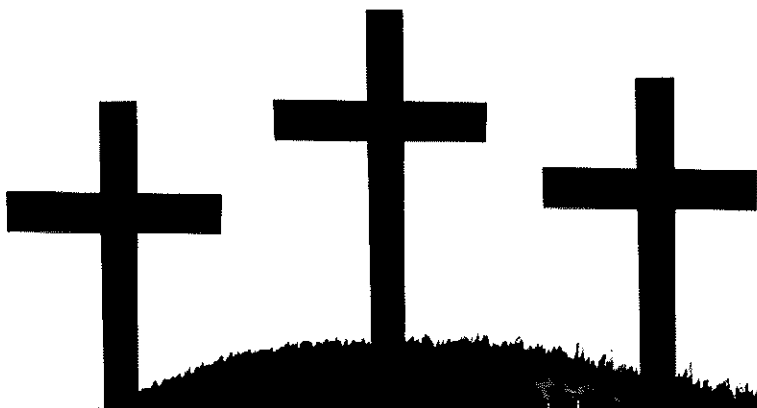
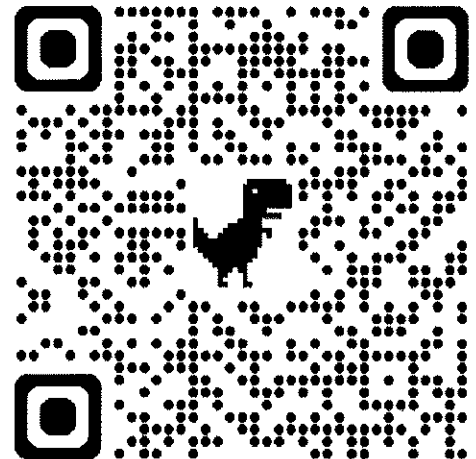


Good Friday

Retreat

All children in Pre-k through 5th grade are welcome to join us for our Annual Holy Friday Retreat on April 18th. We will begin after Royal Hours, at 10:30 AM and will end at 2:15 PM. All ages of volunteers are welcome! Anyone in 6th through 12th grade are encouraged to sign up to help with flowers, candles, eggs, and more! Any questions or if you need a note excusing you from school, please email Alexa at youthdirector@holypostleschurch.com

Please RSVP via QR Code:



PILLARS + ROCKS

Seniors, please join us at Koukla's Kafenio!

Date: Thursday, May 1st

Time: 12:00pm - 3:00pm

Place: Holy Apostles multi-purpose room

For: Lunch and Entertainment



Live Greek Music!



Grecian Formula, Chicago's Premier Greek Band
will perform all your favorites!

RSVP by April 23rd to Cathy Magas (630)941-8448

We will be collecting items for the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans.

If you'd like to donate, the following items are needed:

Toiletries, hand soap, bars of soap, body wash, deodorant, toothpaste, etc.



IOCC

Join Us For The 33rd Annual IOCC Chicago Grand Banquet

THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025

Cocktails 6:00 pm | Dinner 7:00 pm

EMPRESS BANQUETS

200 E. Lake St., Addison, IL

\$125.00 per person

Registration Deadline: April 23

Holy Apostles has purchased a table for this philanthropic event. Make your check for \$125.00 payable to "Holy Apostles."

Turn in your check to Lou, Parish Director, in the church office by the deadline of April 23, 2025



Retirement CELEBRATION


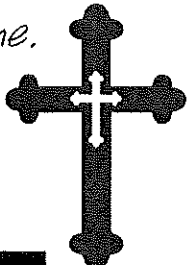
Please join us to honor
Rev. Fr. Theodore Poteres
Protopresbyter

Sunday, May 18, 2025
5:00 p.m. Cocktails
6:00 p.m. Dinner

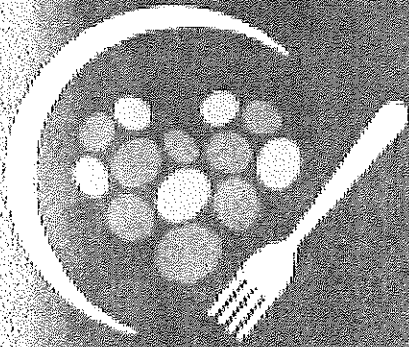
Hellenic Banquet Center
8000 Madison Street
Merrillville, Indiana

\$75.00 per person

Holy Apostles has purchased a table for this wonderful event that honors Father Ted who grew up in our parish. He was ordained at Holy Apostles on June 10, 1984. Please join us by making a check for \$75.00 per person payable to "Holy Apostles" and putting "Father Ted" along with your selection of beef or veg meals on the memo line. Lou, our parish director, must receive your check in the office no later than April 23rd.



HOLY APOSTLES VOLUNTEERS AT THE WESTCHESTER FOOD PANTRY



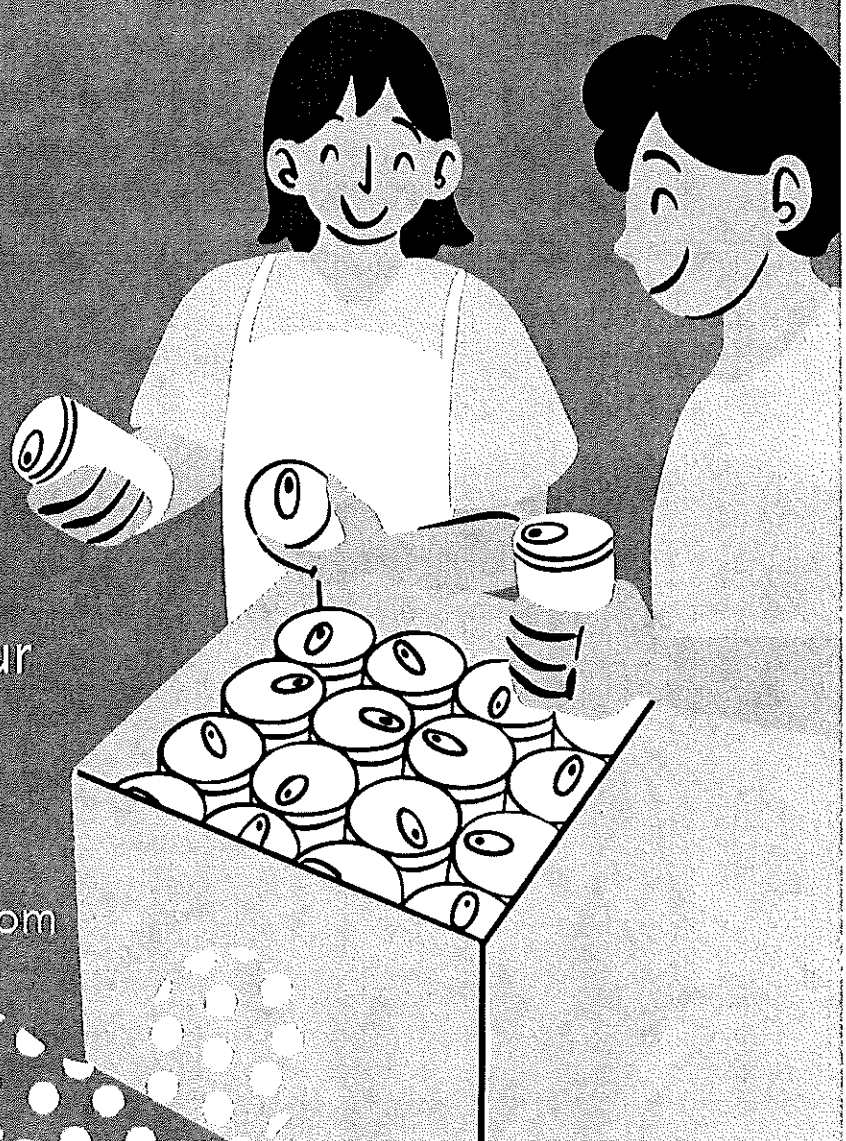
Saturday, May 3rd
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

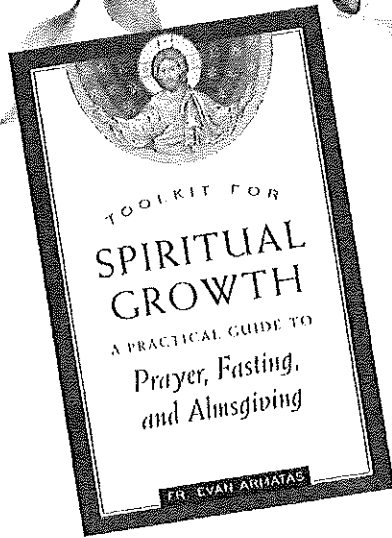
Sign up deadline
April 28th

Sign up with the link in your
weekly email.

Questions?

parishfamily@holypostleschurch.com





Women of all ages are invited to join in our next book club read.

This little book of about 100 pages is packed with gems to help us along our Lenten journey.

Hope to see you there!

Women's Book Club

WHAT: "TOOLKIT FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH" BY FR. EVAN ARMATAS

WHEN: THURSDAY, MAY 8TH, 7 P.M.

WHERE: HOLY APOSTLES MAIN HALL

BYOM (Bring Your Own Mug as hot drinks will be provided!)



SATURDAY, MAY 10TH, 7:00 PM

Holy Apostles Multi-Purpose Room

BYOB | PRIZES | FELLOWSHIP

BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS AND
ALCOHOLIC OR NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE NEW
PARISH FAMILY MINISTRY

\$10 PER PERSON ENTRY

SIGN UP WITH THE LINK IN YOUR WEEKLY EMAIL

Questions?

parishfamily@holypostleschurch.com

*POISED FOR SUCCESS
CLOTHING DRIVE*



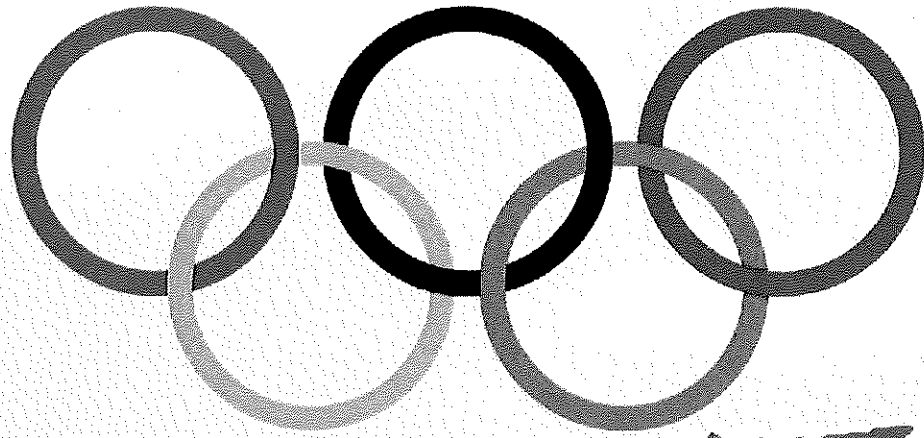
Philoptochos will be collecting
new or gently used clothing

May 10th-25th

for Poised for Success.

Accepting dresses, blazers, pants, blouses,
jewelry, handbags, shoes, and
winter items (coats, scarves, gloves).

All items must be clean, in new condition
and on hangers.



REGISTER FOR
JUNIOR OLYMPICS



MAY 24 & 25

SS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN

THERE IS NO FEE TO PARTICIPATE
IN JUNIOR OLYMPICS

AGES 7-18



REGISTER NOW

Faithtree Kids
SUPER SAINTS
Heroes of our Faith

VBS 2025

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

CARNIVAL
FRIDAY
12-2pm



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Faithtree Kids
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 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, a common time signature (C), and a key signature of one flat (Bb). 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: '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.'

Sermon Notes

Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church
2501 S Wolf Road
Westchester, IL 60154
708.562.2744
Website: holyapostleschurch.com
Facebook: facebook.com/holyapostlescommunity