

# **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

**MAY 4, 2025**

**SUNDAY**

8:15 a.m.  
9:30 a.m.  
Memorials:  
Fellowship Hour:  
12:00 p.m.

**MAY 4 – YOUTH PROCLAIM CHRIST SUNDAY**

Orthros  
Divine Liturgy  
Jerry Devaris, Michael Hamalis, Maria Kolimbiris  
Hosted by Parish Council, prior to the Spring Parish Assembly  
Spring Parish Assembly

**TUESDAY**

6:45 a.m.  
4:30 p.m.  
6:15 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.

**MAY 6**

Brotherhood of St Peter the Apostle  
Greek School  
JOY  
Philoptochos Board Meeting

**WEDNESDAY**

7:00 p.m.

**MAY 7**

Jr GOYA (Grades 6-8)

**THURSDAY**

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

**MAY 8**

Greek School  
Neolea Dance Troupe  
Women's Book Club

**SATURDAY**

10:30 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.  
5:00 p.m.

**MAY 10**

Greek School Field Trip (Grades 3-6)  
Baptism: Paul, son of James & Sophia Biesanz  
Sponsors: Phillip & Megan Lorio, Anastasia Miranda  
Vespers

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**Epistle Reading** – Acts 6:1-7

**Gospel Reading** – Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8

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**Coffee Hour in Loving Memory of Fr. William Chiganos Next Sunday, May 11** – Ten years ago today, the founding pastor of our Holy Apostles Church, Fr. William Chiganos, passed away. Fr. Bill served our community and the Archdiocese for 56 years. To honor his memory, in accordance with his family's availability, the Parish Council will host Coffee Hour next week. Please plan on attending. Meanwhile, please take a moment and listen to one of his many recorded sermons that we have digitized and uploaded to our website. Simply click on "Our Faith" from the menu options, then on Fr Bill's Sermons to start. May his memory be eternal!

## **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 ekragazon; Zothota Christe, o Theos imon thoxa si.

### **The Epistle – Acts 6:1-7**

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

### **The Gospel – Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8**

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, “Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.” And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

# Youth Proclaim Christ Sunday

May 4, 2025

## CHILDREN IN THE LOFT

The following children will join the choir today for the Liturgy:

Gia Antonopoulos  
Anna Antonopoulos  
Katerina San Luis  
Zoe Williams  
Vivian Gryfakis  
Niki Vatianou  
Zoe Miller  
Kailyn Zurales

## CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

After liturgy, we will welcome our PreK-3<sup>rd</sup> grade Sunday School classes to sing the following songs they've been working on with Mrs Schieber:

*Tes Presvies / By The Prayers*  
*Ayios O Theos / Holy God*  
*May the Name of The Lord Be Blessed*  
*Christ Is Risen / Christos Anesti*

They'll be assisted today by the Children in the Loft and Mrs. Tomaras



# ORATORICAL FESTIVAL PARTICIPANTS

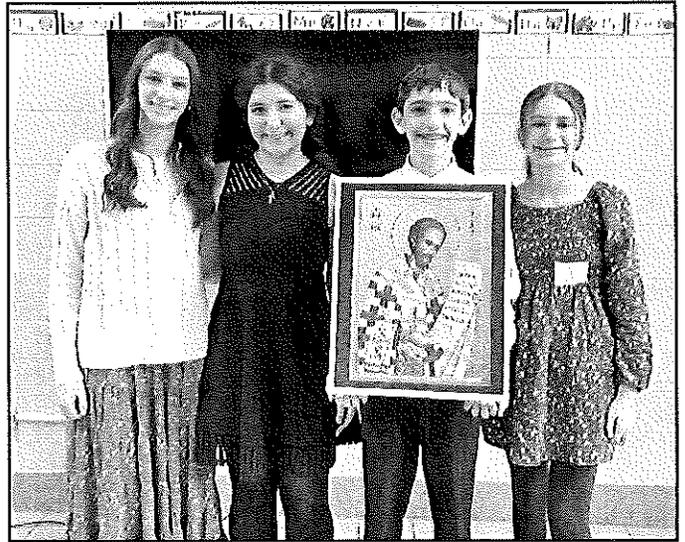
The following students participated in the Metropolis of Chicago St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival last weekend:

**Stefanie Milak** (12th grade)  
essay on the topic of Esther

**Anastasia Mandelaris** (9th grade)  
essay on the topic of philanthropy

**Anthony Milak** (8th grade)  
poem on the role of beauty  
*\*Placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the Metropolis Junior Division*

**Marina Zachos** (7th grade)  
speech on why we repeat prayers



We will hear Marina's speech at the conclusion of Liturgy today.

## BEAUTY WILL SAVE THE WORLD

*by Anthony Milak*

Beauty will save the world, they say  
But how, when people sin each day  
Where people fight and lie and sin  
Where the devil lurks with a wicked grin

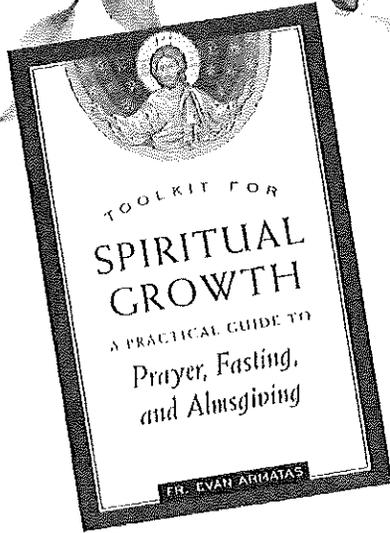
The role of beauty, what a deep ask  
In the church, in the world: what a hard task  
It's difficult to find behind earthly treasure  
These things that give us so much pleasure

We try our best to seek true beauty  
This is God's calling, it is our duty  
It lies in faith, in hope, in love  
It lies in the One who came down as a dove

When in times of sorrow, when our faith is weak  
We can turn to creation, where there's beauty to seek  
When our faith is small and our eyes are blind  
We can look to creation, so caring and kind

Beauty will save the world, we see  
In all of creation, in each little tree  
In moments of peace and in times of love  
It's a gift to connect us with the One up above

How can beauty save a world full of sin?  
By teaching us to love, by teaching us to forgive  
In every act of kindness, it's God's holy song  
It shows us the way, where we all belong



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!)**



YOU ARE INVITED TO

*Graduate*  
**SUNDAY**

ARE YOU GRADUATING FROM GRAMMAR SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, OR GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL? IF SO, WE WANT TO CELEBRATE YOU! IF YOU OR A FAMILY MEMBER WOULD LIKE TO BE HONORED ON GRADUATE SUNDAY, PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE BY MAY 25TH.

PLEASE ALSO BRING A FRAMED PHOTO WITH NAME ON BACK BY JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> TO BE DIPLAYED.



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SUNDAY  
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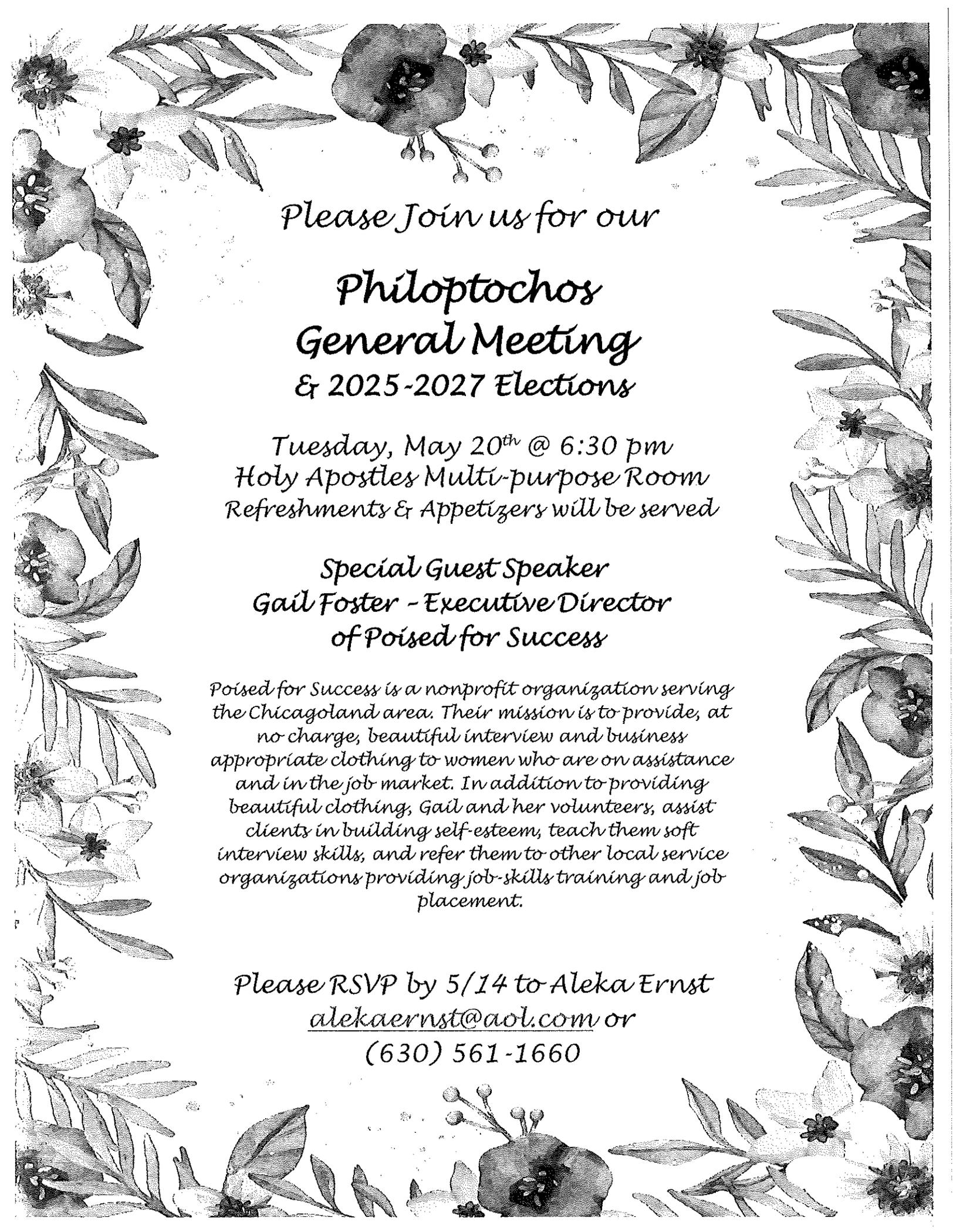
2025

*POISED FOR SUCCESS  
CLOTHING DRIVE*



Philoptochos will be collecting  
new or gently used clothing  
*May 10<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>*  
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.

A decorative border of watercolor-style flowers and leaves surrounds the text. The flowers are in various shades of grey and black, with some showing detailed centers. The leaves are simple, elongated shapes with veins.

*Please Join us for our*

*Philoptochos  
General Meeting  
& 2025-2027 Elections*

*Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 pm  
Holy Apostles Multi-purpose Room  
Refreshments & Appetizers will be served*

*Special Guest Speaker  
Gail Foster - Executive Director  
of Poised for Success*

*Poised for Success is a nonprofit organization serving the Chicagoland area. Their mission is to provide, at no charge, beautiful interview and business appropriate clothing to women who are on assistance and in the job market. In addition to providing beautiful clothing, Gail and her volunteers, assist clients in building self-esteem, teach them soft interview skills, and refer them to other local service organizations providing job-skills training and job placement.*

*Please RSVP by 5/14 to Aleka Ernst  
[alekaernst@aol.com](mailto:alekaernst@aol.com) or  
(630) 561-1660*

# Apodosis

LEAVETAKING OF PASCHA

## Second Annual Dinner Celebration

May 27, 2025

5 PM Anastasi Orthros

6 pm Anastasi Liturgy

Celebration Dinner Following

**Reservations Required:**  
*Scan QR Code*

*For Questions email:*  
*HAApodosis@gmail.com*



HOLY APOSTLES GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
2501 South Wolf Road, Westchester, IL 60154

*Hosted by :*

**Brotherhood of St. Peter the Apostle**  
Holy Apostles Men's Ministry

# HOLY APOSTLES

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**GROUP OUTING TO**



**TUESDAY  
JUNE 17TH, 6:40 PM**

**CHICAGO  
WHITE SOX VS ST. LOUIS  
CARDINALS**

**AT GUARANTEED RATE FIELD**

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**\$24 PER SEAT IN  
SECTION 109**

**\$20 PARKING SPOT  
IN RED LOT**

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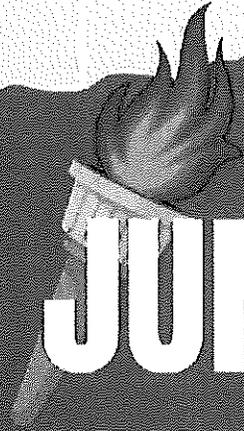
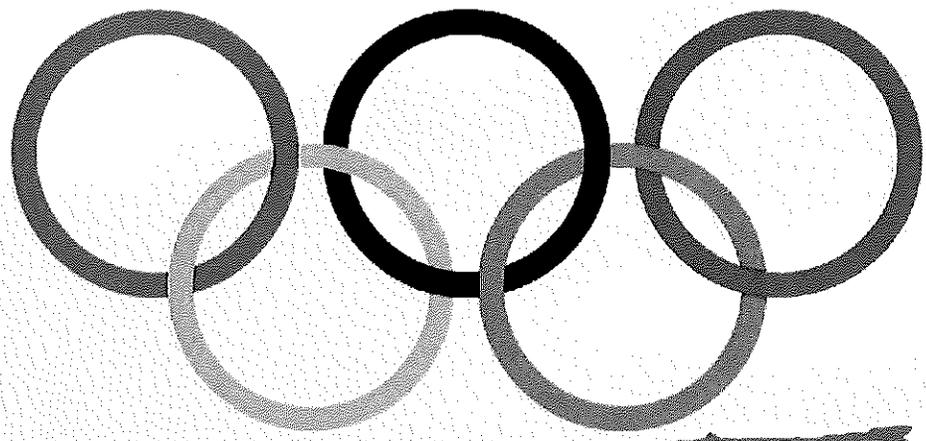
**EACH TICKET COMES WITH A GREEK NIGHT HAT!**

**GROUP TICKET PURCHASE  
DEADLINE ON  
MAY 9th**

**SIGN UP USING THE LINK IN YOUR WEEKLY EMAIL**

**QUESTIONS?  
PARISHFAMILY@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM**

**ALL TICKETS WILL BE DELIVERED DIGITALLY AND TICKET HOLDERS WILL USE  
APPLE WALLET OR GOOGLE PAY TO REDEEM TICKETS AT THE STADIUM**

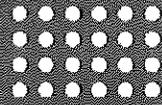
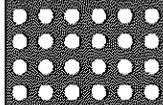


REGISTER FOR  
**JUNIOR OLYMPICS**

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**MAY 24 & 25**

SS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN  
THERE IS NO FEE TO PARTICIPATE  
IN JUNIOR OLYMPICS

**AGES 7-18**



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



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

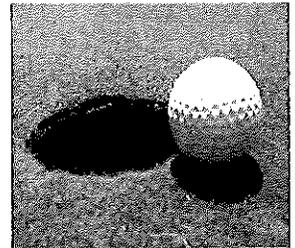
**CONTACT: NICOLE 630-673-6635**



65<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing – Monday, July 7  
*Willow Crest Golf Club,  
Hilton Chicago Oak Brook Hills Resort  
3500 Midwest Rd, Oak Brook, IL*

Bag Drop and Lunch will begin at 11:00am

Shot Gun Start at 12:30pm – Scramble Format for Team Play



<b>Adult Golf, Lunch and Dinner</b>	\$175
<b>Youth Golf, Lunch and Dinner (must be under 21)</b>	\$100
<b>Dinner Only (all ages)</b>	\$80

Golf and dinner fees include lunch, 18 holes of golf (scramble format) with a GPS cart, complimentary treat bag, including a sleeve of balls, buffet dinner, raffle prizes and more!

Name of Golfer 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Golfer 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Golfer 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Golfer 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment by Credit Card (Scan the QR Code below):



Payment by Check: Make check payable to Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church.

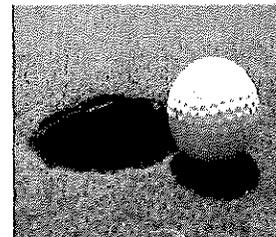
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65th Annual Golf Outing – Monday, July 7  
*Willow Crest Golf Club,  
 Hilton Chicago Oak Brook Hills Resort  
 3500 Midwest Rd, Oak Brook, IL*

Bag Drop and Lunch will begin at 11:00am

Shot Gun Start at 12:30pm – Scramble Format for Team Play



**SPONSORSHIP LEVELS**

Proceeds from this event will help fund the many needs of our church’s ministries.

We appreciate your support in helping make this annual event a success.

<b><u>Platinum Sponsor</u></b>	\$2,500
Includes a full golf package for four, plus a large banner displayed at the reception area during lunch and at the bar before and during dinner.	
<b><u>Gold Sponsor</u></b>	\$1,100
Includes full golf package for four, plus an Exclusive Hole Sponsorship (a \$1,250 value).	
<b><u>Exclusive Hole Sponsor</u></b>	\$550
<b><u>Hole-in-one Sponsor</u></b>	\$250
<b><u>Hole Sponsor</u></b>	\$170

**Payment Options**

Payment by Credit Card (Scan the QR Code below):



Payment by Check: Checks will be accepted at the golf course or the church office. All checks should be made payable to Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church.

Please contact Dennis Poulos at [dnp hoop@aol.com](mailto:dnp hoop@aol.com) / 630.802.7600 or Peter Poteres at [ppoteres@hotmail.com](mailto:ppoteres@hotmail.com) / 630.334.4040 with sponsorship information and questions.

# 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

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Voice

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## Sermon Notes

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