

**WEEKLY BULLETIN**

**JUNE 29, 2025**

**SYNAXIS OF THE  
HOLY APOSTLES**

**SUNDAY**

8:15 a.m.  
9:30 a.m.  
Memorials:  
7:00 p.m.

Orthros  
Divine Liturgy  
Peter & Angeline Fikaris  
Hierarchical Great Vespers and Artoklasia  
Reception to follow hosted by Philoptochos

**JUNE 29-HOLY APOSTLES FEAST DAY CELEBRATION**

**MONDAY**

8:00 a.m.  
9:00 a.m.  
Artoklasia

Orthros  
Divine Liturgy  
Feast Day of the Holy Apostles  
Reception to follow for Holy Apostles Feast Day Celebration hosted by Philoptochos

**JUNE 30-SYNAXIS OF THE HOLY APOSTLES**

**FRIDAY**

**JULY 04-INDEPENDENCE DAY**

Office Closed

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**Epistle Reading** – 2 Corinthians 11:21-33; 12:1-9

**Gospel Reading** – Matthew 16:13-19

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**Fellowship Hour Hosts Needed** – Are you looking for a way to give back your time and talents? Please consider volunteering to host an upcoming Fellowship Hour. They can be hosted by individual families, multiple families, or ministries. Whether it's to honor someone's memory or celebrate a special event, your generosity allows our Holy Apostles' family and friends to gather and warmly welcome visitors to our parish. Coffee hours can be very simple with just a nice selection of cookies or you can be as creative as you want. Guidelines are on the website. Please sign up on our website or on the clipboard in the Multi-Purpose Room after Liturgy. Many dates are available starting in September. Thank you so much for considering this important part of our church ministry!

**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. – Ὕμνος β΄.**

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ᾅδην 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; Zo-othota Christe, o Theos imon thoxa si.

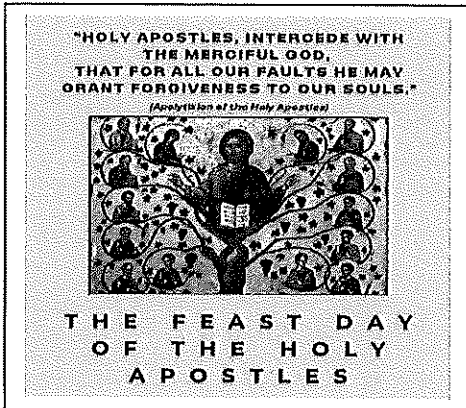
### **The Epistle – 2 Corinthians 11:21-33; 12:1-9**

Brethren, whatever anyone dares to boast of — I am speaking as a fool — I also dare to boast of that. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I. Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one — I am talking like a madman — with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. Five times I have received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I have been beaten with rods; once I was stoned. Three times I have been shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brethren; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure upon me of my anxiety for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant? If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed for ever, 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 – Matthew 16:13-19**

At that time, when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do men say that the Son of man is?” And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

# FEAST DAY CELEBRATION



Hierarchical Great Vespers  
Sunday, June 29, 7:00 pm  
Reception to Follow

Divine Liturgy  
Monday, June 30, 9:00 am  
Reception to follow

We hope that you will join us for the Hierarchical Great Vesper Service on Sunday, June 29th at 7:00PM and The Divine Liturgy on Monday morning, June 30th, at 9:00AM, as we celebrate the Feast Day of the Twelve Holy Apostles.

His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael will join us Sunday evening. Also, on Sunday evening, Father Nick Greanias from Annunciation Church in Kankakee, will be delivering an inspirational homily. An Artoklasia Service will honor our Holy Apostles at both services.

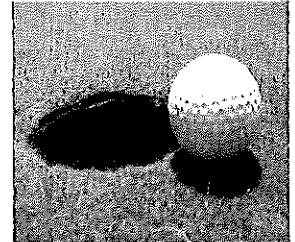
On Monday, we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy and honor those Apostles, who like us, were given gifts by the Lord and who worked to live by their faith and share their blessings. The Twelve Apostles were ordinary people who, by the grace of God, accomplished extraordinary things. Both services will be followed by receptions. We look forward to gathering as a Holy Apostles Family to worship at these services together.

PLEASE JOIN US!



**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>	<b>\$2,500</b>
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>	<b>\$1,100</b>
Includes full golf package for four, plus an Exclusive Hole Sponsorship (a \$1,250 value).	
<b><u>Exclusive Hole Sponsor</u></b>	<b>\$550</b>
<b><u>Hole-in-one Sponsor</u></b>	<b>\$250</b>
<b><u>Hole Sponsor</u></b>	<b>\$170</b>

**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.

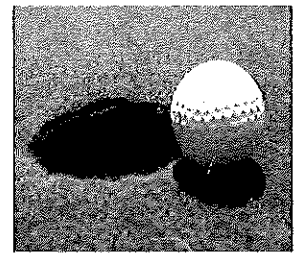
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<b>Adult Golf, Lunch and Dinner</b>	<b>\$175</b>
<b>Youth Golf, Lunch and Dinner (must be under 21)</b>	<b>\$100</b>
<b>Dinner Only (all ages)</b>	<b>\$80</b>

Golf and dinner fees include lunch, 18 holes of golf (scramble format), complimentary Outing Gifts, 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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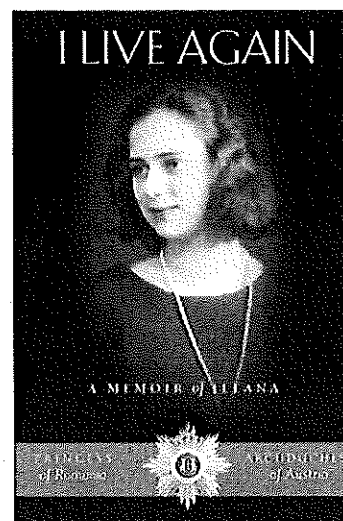
# **YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS!**

**Thursday, July 10th,  
1-4PM: Paradise Bay  
Water Park, Lombard,  
for ALL ages.**

**PLEASE RSVP for all events  
to Alexa at  
[YouthDirector@holypostleschurch.com](mailto:YouthDirector@holypostleschurch.com)**



# Women's Book Club



Women of all ages are invited to join in our next book club. This book promises to be a good summer read. It includes history, spirituality and the story of a model, Orthodox Christian woman. Read it at the beach, the garden, or your local coffee shop... but don't forget to join us for a night of fellowship and fun.

**WHEN:** THURSDAY, AUGUST 28,  
7 P.M.

**WHERE:** HOLY APOSTLES  
MULTIPURPOSE ROOM (OR ON THE  
PATIO, WEATHER PERMITTING!)

**WHAT:** AUTOBIOGRAPHY "I LIVE  
AGAIN: A MEMOIR OF ILEANA  
PRINCESS OF ROMANIA,  
ARCHDUCHESS OF AUSTRIA"



**BYOM (Bring Your Own Mug)**





# *Save the Date*

You're invited to an unforgettable  
day of fashion, fun and fellowship.

## **EMPOWERED ELEGANCE**

*A Celebration of Women*

Holy Apostles  
Philoptochos Society

Annual Fashion Show & Luncheon

**Saturday, October 18, 2025**

**11am**

**Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace**

Chairwoman: Katherine Karvelas

Proceeds to Benefit:  
Hippocratic Cancer Research Foundation,  
FAITH Endowment, and  
other Philoptochos endeavors

*Let's celebrate the women  
who inspire us all.  
Can't wait to see you!*

# HOLY APOSTLES GREEK SCHOOL

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS 4:30PM-6:15PM

PRE-SCHOOL - 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

## OUR PROGRAM INCLUDES:

Small Group pull-out instruction

Special/Seasonal Celebrations

Targeted interventions

Religious Celebrations

Classroom Technology

Culture and History

Ellinomatheia

Greek Dance

Music



For more information contact:

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# Parish Festivals

2025 - By Date

NEW FESTIVALS ADDED REGULARLY  
MOST UP-TO-DATE CALENDAR:  
[chicago.goarch.org/parish-festivals-24](http://chicago.goarch.org/parish-festivals-24)

## MAY

**Saint Athanasios, Aurora IL**

May 16-18

**Holy Transfiguration, Mason City IA**

May 31

## JUNE

**Saint Demetrios, Chicago IL**

June 6-8

**Saint George, Chicago, IL**

June 6-8

**Saint Sophia, Elgin IL**

June 6-8

**All Saints, Joliet IL**

June 12-13

**Saint Demetrios, Elmhurst IL**

June 13-15

**Annunciation, Milwaukee WI**

June 13-15

**Annunciation, Kankakee IL**

June 13-15

**Saint Nicholas, Oak Lawn IL**

June 14-15

**Holy Cross, Justice IL**

June 20-22

**Saint Nectarios, Palatine IL**

June 20-22

**Annunciation Cathedral, Chicago IL**

June 20

**Koimisis Tis Theotokou, Racine WI**

June 27-29

**Holy Trinity, Sioux City IA**

June 27-29

**Saint Spyridon, Sheboygan WI**

June 27-29

## JULY

**Saint Demetrios, Libertyville IL**

July 11-13

**Holy Trinity, Schiller Park IL**

July 12-13

**Saint Andrew, Chicago IL**

July 12-13

**Saint Spyridon,**

**Palos Heights IL**

July 12-13

**Saint George, Schererville IN**

July 15-18

**Holy Taxiarchai-Saint Haralambos,**

**Niles IL**

July 18-20

**Saint Nicholas, St. Louis MO**

July 19-20

**Twelve Holy Apostles, Duluth MN**

July 19-20

**Saint George, St. Paul MN**

July 25-26

**Saints Peter & Paul, Glenview IL**

July 26-27

## AUGUST

**Saints Constantine & Helen,**

**Palos Hills IL**

August 16-17

**Saints Constantine & Helen,**

**Merrillville IN**

August 22-24

**Holy Anargyroi, Rochester MN**

August 22-24

**Assumption, Homer Glen IL**

August 31- September 1

## SEPTEMBER

**Assumption, Madison WI**

September 6-7

**Saint Mary's Minneapolis MN**

September 5-7



METROPOLIS  
OF CHICAGO

**Is your Parish not listed?** Remind parish leadership to submit info at: [chicago.goarch.org/add-event](http://chicago.goarch.org/add-event)

# 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.

## Sermon Notes

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