

WEEKLY BULLETIN AUGUST 24, 2025

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SUNDAY AUGUST 24

8:15 a.m. Orthros

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Memorials: Michael Dorner, Nicholas & Artemis Mason, Steve & Kathryn Stanos,

Naguib Mekhel

Back to School Blessing (Students of all ages)

Fellowship Hour: No Host this week

12:30 p.m. Baptism: Lina, daughter of Aristides & Katerina Labros

Sponsors: Helen Kosmas, Emily Rodriguez

MONDAY AUGUST 25

7:00 p.m. Parish Council Finance Committee Meeting

TUESDAY AUGUST 26

7:00 p.m. Choir Federation Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 27

6:30 p.m. Fashion Show Theme & Decor Workshop (MPR)

7:00 p.m. Parish Family Ministry Meeting

THURSDAY AUGUST 28

7:00 p.m. Women's Book Club

FRIDAY AUGUST 29 – FEAST OF BEHEADING OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

8:00 a.m. Orthros

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy **SATURDAY AUGUST 30**

10:00 a.m. 5th Saturday Serve Day

11:00 a.m. Baptism: Alexander, son of Anna Priftis & Michael Camarata

Sponsor: Nikos Priftis

3:00 p.m. Wedding: Nicholas Backas & Sarah Lewis

Sponsor: Zachary Backas

5:00 p.m. Vespers

Epistle Reading – 1 Corinthians 9:2-12 Gospel Reading – Matthew 18:23-35

Please welcome Deacon Antonios Calash. We thank him for his prayers and assistance today.

Ordination Announcement – Today, Dean Theophilos, son of Ted & Anne Theophilos, is being ordained to the Holy Diaconate at the St. George Greek Orthodox Church in St Paul, MN. Dean grew up at Holy Apostles and served faithfully as Altar Director. God bless him and his family as he begins his sacred ministry. Axios! He is worthy!

Sunday School Begins on September 7 – Please register using the youth registration form by next Sunday, August 31. This ministry is for all children, PreK through 12th grade, and meets most Sundays of the school year after Holy Communion, until 11:35am.

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!"

Απολυτίκιον Άναστάσιμον. – Ήχος β΄.

Ότε κατῆλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἡ 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.

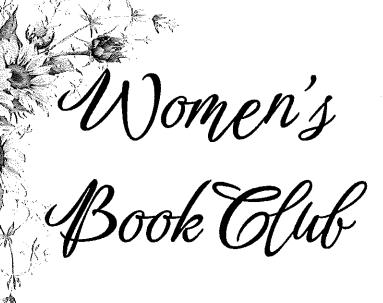
Ote katilthes pros ton thanaton, i Zoi i athanatos, tote ton Athin enekrosas, ti astrapi tis Theotitos. Ote the ke tus tethneotas ek ton kaththonion anestisas, pase e Thinamis ton epuranion ekravgazon; Zo-othota Christe, o Theos imon thoxa si.

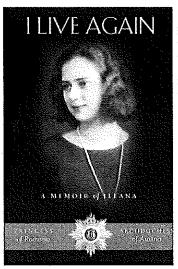
The Epistle – 1 Corinthians 9:2-12

Brethren, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife as sister, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain." Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material things? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of Christ.

The Gospel – Matthew 18:23-35

The Lord said this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the torturers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to everyone of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."



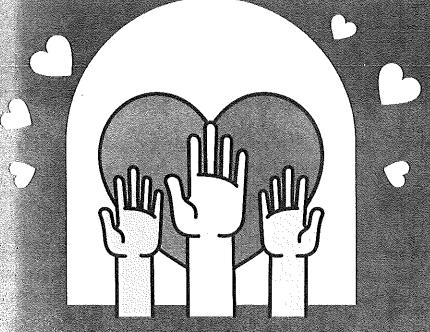


Women of all ages are invited to join in our next book club. This book promises to be a good summer read. It includes history, spirituality and the story of a model, Orthodox Christian woman. Read it at the beach, the garden, or your local coffee shop... but don't forget to join us for a night of fellowship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



Fifth Saturday Serve Day

Join the Farish Family Ministry in a service project.

Our next project:
Sat, Aug **30th**10:00 AM

We will be creating snack & meal kits for patients at the Ronald McDonald House



Open for all ages.

No supplies needed, just come ready to work at the Holy Apostles Multipurpose Room

Questions?

parishfamily@holyapostleschurch.com



HOLY APOSTLES DIRECTORY & CONTACT UPDATE

Holy Apostles is updating their contact database and simultaneously making a directory book. We ask all parishioners to fill out the form linked below to update their contact information for our database, then may choose whether or not to be included in the directory.

More details linked below.

ALL **PARISHIONERS** FILL OUT THE FORM LINKED BELOW



bit.ly/HAContactUpdate

Volunteers Also Needed ि शुनावादीकां समाग्री भूगिता करिए क्विने स्वाचित्र का स्वाच



Empowered Elegance A Celebration of Women

Holy Apostles Philoptochos Society Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show

Saturday, October 18, 2025

Thry Lane
100 Drury Lane
Oakbrook Terrace, IL

Luncheon Reservations

Online



tinyurl.com/hafs2025

In-Person

Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church
Saturday, September 6th from 9:00 am to 10:00 am
or Sundays, September 7th through October 5th
Following Divine Liturgy
Floor plan for table selection is available only in-person with a purchase of at least 8 tickets

Proceeds to Benefit
The Hippocratic Cancer Research Foundation
The Faith Endowment
and other Philoptochos endeavors



Free Parking @ Schiller Parking Deck — Schiller St. & Commerce Ave.
Opposite Modern Plate's back entrance

RSVP by 9/16 to Aleka Ernst alekaernst@aol.com or (630) 561-1660

Please join our Philoptochos Chapter to continue our mission — online/QR code/check

www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501





2025 Project HOPE Senior Visit Initiative



The Metropolis Project HOPE Team has been encouraging parishes to visit and engage with low-income senior citizens. The request was for each parish to fill 50 HOPE bags and to also provide a team of 10 individuals to pass out the food bags and interact with the seniors. We conducted our first visit last April. It was a truly rewarding experience and the seniors were extremely grateful for their bags of food. We have decided to schedule another visit for Friday, September 19th.

Here is a general idea of how the day will go:

- A bus will pick our volunteer team up at 10:15am for arrival at 11:15am at the Pilsen Satellite Center 2021 S. Morgan St Chicago, IL 60608
- Carts will be available to load the 50 HOPE bags for transport into the center
- Opening statement from either a Pilsen Satellite Center or a HOPE representative
- Senior activity (bingo, craft) from 11:30-12:30
- Bag distribution by the volunteer team
- Bus return to Holy Apostles arrival around 2pm

Food for the bags will be purchased and then our GOYANS will pack the bags on September 9th. We have decided to fill the bags with the following items:

- Pasta/Rice/Lentils/Cereal
- Canned Tuna/Canned Beans/Canned Corn/Soup (low sodium)
- Fruit Jams/Peanut Butter/Pasta Sauce/Granola Bars/Pudding Snacks

Philoptochos is THRILLED to announce that funds have been donated, which will cover the cost for ALL of the food needed for 50 HOPE Bags.

Father George has once again graciously agreed to lead the volunteer team on this visit. We are looking for parishioners to complete our volunteer team of 10. Please consider being a part of this team.

Thank you for your support!

HOLY APOSTLES GREEK SCHOOL

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

PRE-SCHOOL - 6TH GRADE

OUR PROGRAM INCLUDES:

Small Group pull-out instruction
Special/Seasonal Celebrations
Targeted interventions
Religious Celebrations
Classroom Technology
Culture and History
Ellinomatheia
Greek Dance





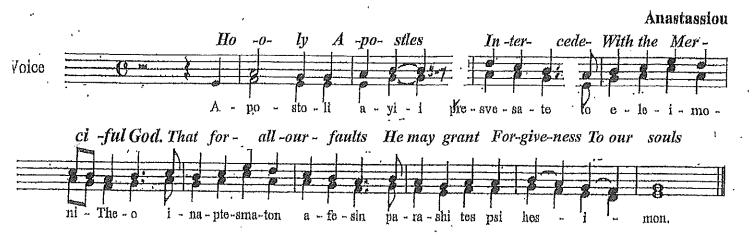
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O Monoyenis Yios – Hymn of Justinian

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



Sermon Notes

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