



from Fr. George

Mission Accomplished

Beloved Members of Holy Apostles,
Christ is in our midst!

Well, it was an extremely fruitful (and eventful) sabbatical. I had three goals, and by God's grace, they were all met.

The first goal, and the most difficult, was translating the book *New Ladder* by St. Nikodemos of the Holy Mountain from Greek into English. This theologically rich and spiritual work was written in 1806. It is a commentary on a set of hymns that we sing during the Orthros every Sunday called the Hymns of Ascent (Anabathmoi). In total (over the eight tones that we cycle through every eight weeks) there are seventy-five hymns that St. Nikodemos interprets and expounds on.

Needless to say, the book is rather large and theologically dense, coming out at around 180,000 words. How I rejoiced when, two days before the end of my sabbatical, I translated the final word in the book! But now it's on to the editing process.

The second goal was to take an online Byzantine Greek class offered through Trinity College in Dublin. I actually took two levels of the class over four consecutive weeks. Even though this cut into my translating time, it was well worth taking,

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New Face in the Office

Holy Apostles has welcomed a new staff member to the front office this fall: Andrea San Luis.

Andrea is the Administrative Assistant to Lou Kafkes in his work as Director of Parish Operations, helping in the office 15-20 hours a week. There they manage the calendar and building-resources for all the sacraments and ministries, as well as tend to the bookkeeping and accounting of the parish finances. They are also available to welcome visitors, answer questions, and generally be the welcoming faces of the parish.

Andrea grew up at Holy Apostles, attending Sunday School, Greek School, youth groups, and performing in Mr. D's Adventure Theater plays.

She attended Elmhurst University and went on to Northwestern University to earn her Doctorate in Physical Therapy. In her work as a PT, she specialized in helping people with chronic pain.

She married Warren San Luis in 2009 and has three children, Jacob (13), Katerina (11), and Raphael (9).

After she quit working in the medical field, Andrea focused on volunteer work, serving on the PTA board of her children's large public elementary school for four years as Treasurer, VP, and President.

She also visits nursing homes and schools with Yogi, one of her two adorable doodles, who is a trained and certified therapy dog.

Andrea's family belonged to St. Joseph's OCA church in Wheaton for many years



where she volunteered her time and even served as Sunday School director. In 2024 her family decided to rejoin Holy Apostles.

She jumped right in, taking on a role as a Kindergarten Sunday School teacher as well as Director of Athletics. "Holy Apostles has been like a home to me since I was a child, and it's great now to see my children be part of this wonderful family, too."

It was her organization skills with Junior Olympics that initially caught Lou's attention.

"She did such a great job, and I thought, wow, she'd be perfect for this role," Lou recalled. He asked Father George to see if she might be interested — and the rest is history!" he laughed.

"I am really excited about the opportunity to serve the Holy Apostles community in this way," said Andrea.

Mission Accomplished *(continued)*

since it refreshed Greek grammar for me and also delved directly into texts written between 300-1300 AD. It was intense, but very helpful.

My third goal was to visit the Monastery of St. John the Baptist in Essex, England and venerate St. Sophrony, who was canonized in 2019. St. Sophrony was a monk on Mount Athos for many years before going to England and establishing his monastery in Essex in 1959. I came to know his writings when I was in seminary and they spoke to me in a unique way. From that time, I have felt a kinship with the Saint, and so my family and I were blessed to stay at the monastery, venerate his tomb, and pray in the presence of his holy relics.

Whew! And there was much more that happened this past summer, but I will leave it at that for now. So, in short: Mission Accomplished! Only by God's grace and your prayers.

I am grateful to His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael, to Father Nicholas and Deacon Perry, to our supportive Parish Council, and to all of you for this opportunity. I must also thank my wife and children for allowing me to basically be a hermit for three months. It's good to see them again!

Below is also a very short sample from the book for your edification.

May God be with you all.

With love in Christ,

+ Fr. George

NEW LADDER SECOND ANTIPHON OF THE SECOND TONE

"If the Lord had not been with us, who could have preserved himself uninjured from the enemy and murderer of man?"

Interpretation

This Hymn of Ascent is based on Psalm 123, which says: "If the Lord had not been with us, let Israel now say, if the Lord had not been with us, when men rose up against us, then they would have swallowed us alive" (Psalm 123:1-3). The Jews said this when they had returned to their homeland Jerusalem from exile. Thanking God, the people were saying: "When we returned to Jerusalem, the neighboring nations rose up against us, even before we had a chance to finish the wall around the city. Surely, if the Lord had not been with us, they would have swallowed us alive." This shows how quickly the Jews would have disappeared without the Lord's help.

This is the literal interpretation of these words of the Psalm. The sacred Theodore offers an allegorical interpretation saying the Psalm refers to our hostile enemy, the man-slaying devil. So, he is saying that if our Lord Jesus Christ had not been with us believing Christians, helping us drive away the devil by His power, who could keep himself whole and uninjured? Certainly no one. For according to the Chief-apostle Peter: "Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour" (1 Peter 5:8). There is a raging war between the devil and the saints: he wants to conquer; the saints seek not to be conquered. The divine Maximus shows this: "The suffering of the saints lies in the struggle between malice and virtue, the former fighting to win control, the latter enduring all things to avoid defeat. The first struggles to nurture sin by chastising the righteous; the second to hold good men firm although they experience more than their share of misfortunes."¹

The fury the devil has against men and the saints can be demonstrated in many ways, especially by these two. One example is from of the Old Testament, from the blessed Job. The other is from the New Testament from the Chief-apostle Peter. The evil one received some permission to attack the much-suffering Job, and what he didn't do! He attacked everything: Job's possessions, his servants, his friends, his wife, even

his body, hoping through all this to provoke him to blaspheme God. The much-suffering one, however, with God's help, endured all the hardships and conquered the devil, driving him away with his tail between his legs.

The wicked one showed such rage against the Chief-apostle Peter that even the Master of all needed to intervene on Peter's behalf so that he wouldn't lose his faith completely and perish. The Lord said to Peter: "Simon, Simon, behold, Satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat, but I have prayed for you that your faith may not fail" (Luke 22:31-32). So, if the devil wars against these two great and holy men, how much more will he war against us lowly sinners? And what hope would we possibly have against him if the Lord Jesus Christ didn't have compassion on us sinners and help us? How much would that manslaying dragon rage against us if the Lord didn't bridle him and put iron rings in his snout? This is what is written in Job: "Will you catch the dragon with a hook and put a halter about his nose? Or will you fasten a ring in his snout or pierce his lip with a hook?" (Job 40:25-26).

That wicked devil who boasts and brags that he will take the world into his hand like a nest, as Isaiah writes concerning him: "I shall overtake with my hand all the inhabited world as a nest and take them as eggs that have been left. There is no one who can escape or oppose me" (Isaiah 10:14), can't inflict the smallest evil on man if he is watchful and vigilant, and if man always and everywhere resists him through the sacred prayer.² What am I saying? The devil can't do the slightest harm to man, for he doesn't even have authority to harm the pigs without God's permission, as we read in the holy Gospels [cf. Mark 5:1-20]. Even if someone is deceived by the enemy, he is not deceived by the enemy's strength and skill because he is dead and motionless, slain by the Lord's cross. Only his tail is still wagging so it appears that he is alive. This is so those struggling in the faith can be tested and receive a greater crown. Man is not deceived by the enemy, I say, but only by his own negligence.

My dear reader, even though you hear the melodist call the devil the enemy, because he has great animosity towards you and wants to destroy you, don't be afraid. Rather, stand bravely and have animosity towards him, as the Lord said: "I will put animosity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed. he shall bruise your head, and you shall be on guard for his heel" (Genesis 3:15). Listen to the Lord calling the devil a manslayer: "He was a murderer of man from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him" (John 8:44). Hearing these things, beloved, don't lose courage, for you can, if you want, kill the devil and become a devilslayer. How? Just as he is a manslayer because he murders you through prompting you to sin and transgress God's commandments, you can slay the devil by keeping God's commandments and practicing virtue. You, my brother, received authority from the Lord to trample on serpents and scorpions and every power of the enemy, so why be afraid? [cf. Luke 10:19].

You received a weapon from the Chief-apostle Peter to firmly oppose the devil with faith: "Resist him, firm in your faith" (1 Peter 5:9). And James, the Brother of the Lord, says: "Resist the devil and he will flee from you" (James 4:7). So, having such a weapon, why be scared? And remember, you have the mightiest of weapons: the sacred and holy prayer, "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me."

Concerning this prayer John of the Ladder said: "Let the remembrance of Jesus be present with each breath, and then you will know the value of silence."³ And again: "Always let the remembrance of death and the single-phrased Jesus Prayer go to sleep with you and get up with you; for you will find nothing to equal these aids during sleep."⁴

Your weapon is the Name of Jesus, so why fear the apostate devil who is powerless and has been utterly trampled down? Don't you know that he is mocked by the angels and by those who live the angelic life here in earth? This what is written in Job: "This is the ruler of the Lord's creation, made to be mocked at by His angels" (Job 40:19). Didn't you hear the Prophet David saying: "The swords of the enemy are completely forsaken" (Psalm 9:7)? Didn't you hear Chrysostom say that the devil fears and flees from the person who reads the divine words and has inscribed the divine law on his heart? Listen: "When the devil sees the law of God written in the soul, and the heart become tablets to write it on, he will not approach any more. Since wherever the king's writing is, not engraved on a pillar of brass, but stamped by the Holy Spirit on a mind loving God, and bright with abundant grace, that evil one will not be able even to look at it, but from afar will turn his back on us. For nothing is so terrible to him and to the thoughts which are suggested by him as a mind careful about divine matters, and a soul which ever hangs over this fountain."⁵ So why fear the one who fears you?

Therefore, my brother, setting your complete faith and hope on the invincible Name of our Lord Jesus, so terrifying to the demons – for Jesus conquered and trampled on the devil and all his power – take courage and grow strong in the invisible war against the devil. Put on the armor of God: the belt of truth

around your waist; the preparation of the Gospel of peace on your feet; the helmet of salvation on your head; the breastplate of righteousness on your chest. Take the sword of the Spirit in one hand and the shield of faith in the other. Now you will extinguish the flaming arrows of the devil, that is, the blasphemous and shameful and evil thoughts he hurls at you in this war. This is how the great General, Paul, equips you, saying: "Besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one" (Ephesians 6:16).

Listen to the words of the divine Chrysostom that describe the devil's combat methods and that encourage you to not fear a thing, for the evil one slithers around like a snake and attacks from below: "But if you don't know what fighting from beneath may be, I also will try to explain to you the manner of this war. What then may this fighting from beneath be? It is standing on the lower things of the world to buffet us, such as pleasure and riches and all the goods of this life. And for this reason, whoever he sees flying toward heaven, first, he will not even be able to leap so far. Secondly, even if he should attempt, he will speedily fall. For he has no feet; be not afraid: he has no wings; fear not. He trails upon the earth, and the things of the earth. Don't have anything in common with the earth, and you won't even have to try (to defeat him). For he doesn't have any knowledge of open fight: but as a serpent he hides in the thorns, nestling evermore in the deceitfulness of riches. And if you were to cut away the thorns, he will easily be put to flight, being detected: and if you know how to charm him with the inspired charms he will straightway be struck. For we have, we surely have, spiritual charms, even the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ and the might of the cross. This charm will not only bring the serpent out of his lurking places and cast him into the fire but even heals wounds. But if some that have said this Name have not been healed, it came of their own little faith and was not owing to any weakness in what they said. For some did throng about Jesus and press Him and got no good therefrom. But the woman with an issue of blood, without even touching His body, but merely the hem of His garment, halted a flux of blood of so long standing. This Name is fearful alike to devils, and to passions, and to diseases. In this then let us find a pleasure; with this let us fortify ourselves."⁶

¹ Saint Maximos the Confessor, *Various Texts on Theology* 1.16 (PG 90 1185) (*Philokalia*, vol. 2, pg. 169).


² I said that man must everywhere resist the devil through prayer because, according to Chrysostom: "Do not seek the place of prayer but the way of prayer. Jeremiah was in filth and called on God's help. Daniel was in a pit with lions and received God's favor. The crucified thief was not hindered by his cross, but it opened paradise to him. Job was on a dung hill and God had compassion on him. Jonah was in the belly of the sea beast and God heard him. Moses was in the sea and God said to him, 'Why are you crying out to me?' Pray even if you are in the washroom, or on the road, or in bed. Wherever you are, pray, and God will hear you" (*The Ladder* 15, *Scholion* 50 [PG 88 921]).

³ Saint John Climacus, *The Ladder* 27 (PG 88 1112).

⁴ Saint John Climacus, *The Ladder* 15 (PG 88 889).

⁵ Saint John Chrysostom, *Homilies on the Gospel of John* 3.1 (PG 59 38).

⁶ Saint John Chrysostom, *Homilies on Romans* 8 (PG 60 463).



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Share the Warmth

Month of October - Multi-Purpose Room



Philoptochos will collect gently used, clean coats for men, women, and children throughout the month of October.

Please leave the coats on hangers on the racks in the multi-purpose room (opposite the kitchen). The coats will be donated to two worthy organizations.

The youth coats will be donated to Warm Coats for Cool Kids, located in Elmhurst, Illinois and will serve families in the western suburbs of Chicago.

Adult coats will be donated to Repeat Boutique, a Christian, non-denominational, all-volunteer service ministry providing clothing and practical household goods to those in need. For further questions, please contact Debbie Chiganos at debbchig@att.net or Laura Pepke at laurapepke@gmail.com.

Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14

We are pleased to announce that the children of Holy Apostles will be presenting the annual Christmas Pageant on December 14.

Kindergartners through third graders will play the silent roles of the characters in the Nativity scene.

Fourth through eighth grade students will sing traditional Christmas Carols for the program, some serving as narrators.

High school students are encouraged to sign up to be assistants.

High school vocalists and instrumentalists who are interested in joining the musical ensemble please call or text Zoe Tomaras (630-476-0223) or email christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com.

Information will be mailed to all Sunday

School students in mid-October with complete details of rehearsals and forms to register to participate.

Non-registered youth are welcome to perform. These forms will also be available at church. The first rehearsal will take place on Sunday, November 2.

An informational table will be set up in the multipurpose room on October 19 and October 26 for registration as well. Please feel free to contact Sandy Pihos, Pageant Director, with any additional questions or for more information at: christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com or call/text 630-640-5811.





PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AUGUST 21 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

ACTING SECRETARY: STEVE MILAK EDITED BY: VAL DRANIAS

Call to order by Jim Maragos. Father Nicholas led the opening prayer. Recitation of the Mission Statement: "The Mission of the Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church is to proclaim and live our Orthodox faith as One Church and One Body of Christ through worship, ministries, education and youth guidance. For We Walk by Faith, Not by Sight." (II Corinthians 5:7)

Approval of Minutes: Steve Milak. Steve Milak moved to approve the minutes from the July meeting. Sandy Pihos seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

Ecclesiastical Report: Father Nicholas shared the good news on Fr. George's daughter Evie having her baby and that Dean Theophilus is getting ordained to the diaconate. Fr. Nicholas shared a handout on the Dormition of the Theotokos

Ministries:

Financial report: George Antonopoulos reported that the July statements were not received in time to do an analysis. However, an analysis was done based on the June sheet

A profit is shown. Stewardship was noted to be aggressive and that we are likely to come under goal, which will eat up the profit. Missions ministry is on pace to end the year within budget. B&G is over budget as of June. Follow up will be done to see what the plan is over the coming months. Goal of operating is to break even. More fundraising for capital projects will need to be done for next year

Stewardship: Sandy Pihos delivered the stewardship report:

Metric	July 2025 TYD	July 2024 YTD	% Change
Number of Pledges	603	628	-4%
Total Pledged	\$789,322	\$773,410	2%
Amount Collected	\$675,658	\$677,006	0%
Median Pledge	\$600	\$600	0%
Average Pledge	\$1,309	\$1,232	6%

Building & Grounds: Chris Pepke. Chris reported that the front brick by the solea has been repaired. Met with an architect to finish the last points of the office remodel. Met with a lighting designer to go over the lighting design project. Chris shared a plumbing breakage in the men's bathroom due to galvanized piping in the church reaching end of life. Water leaked through the wall down into the basement. This is an unbudgeted work item. Chris asked for guidance from the council - should a quick patch be done or a correct solution? Decision is to move forward with a patch from the maintenance budget. Chris will follow up with estimates for remodeling the two bathrooms. Lightning struck the building that blew the compressor and motor on an A/C unit powering the multi-purpose room. This has been repaired.

Ushering: Ted Dres. Ted reported that the ushering schedule is 90% complete.

Ted shared there are many services in the coming months. All parish council members need to sign up for services. Guidelines for basket collections in church. Coordination needs to be done with the priests to know what services to have and not have baskets

Technology report: Steve Milak - No objections to re-up the contract for support hours at a cost of \$3100.

Old Business:

Metropolis Clergy/Laity Assembly: Election of 2 Delegates to the 11/5-11/6 Metropolis Clergy/Laity Assembly in Rolling Meadows, Illinois. We need to announce this to the parish in the next month so that they can be elected at the Fall Parish assembly. Sandy is interested in being a delegate.

Greek School report: Nicole Ostendorf sent a written report via email – 83 students have been registered; 14 new families; 9 are members, 6 are not members; waiting for 7 families to register comprising 8 students

Front office associate report: Sandy Pihos moved that this be considered in the executive session. Bill Leider seconded. Motion was approved unanimously in executive session.

Chapel Hills Cemetery Plot report: Lou Kafkes reported that Patty and Lou met with Chapel Hill cemetery representatives to re-view HA plot ownership, recent sales, and discuss protocol for future plot sales. After a recent sale, the church is down to 32 plots remaining.

New Business

Bylaws Committee Meeting Tuesday September 2 at 7:00 PM. Terry Chiganos has consented to be chair.

Finance Committee to start work on the 2026 Budget on Monday August 25 7:00 PM

Fundraising for B&G projects: Sandy/Chris reported that the committee met and started discussions on how they want to approach. Another meeting will be forthcoming.

Parish Directory: Sandy reported that initiatives are taking place to line up a new vendor.

SIRC Update: Jim Maragos shared the summary of the metropolis level meetings from this past week.

Next Regular Meeting: Thursday September 19, 7:30 PM

Key Dates to remember:

- b. Sunday September 7 Ministry Fair after Church
- c. Saturday October 18 Philoptochos Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon
- d. Sunday October 19 Fall Parish Assembly after church
- e. Sunday October 26 Chicago Bears Watch Party; Youth Flag Football
- f. November 5-6, 2025 Metropolis Clergy/Laity Assembly (Rolling Meadows, IL)

Closing Prayer: Father Nicholas

Motion to adjourn: Jim Maragos

EXECUTIVE SESSION to follow regular meeting



*Enjoying the
September Potluck
Dinner!*

*Join us
October 4
after
Vespers*



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Next event: Saturday, November 29th

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The Holy Apostles Foundation is up and running! Make a donation in this first year of operation and become a Charter Member of the Foundation.

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Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church

OCTOBER 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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