

Weekly Bulletin

September 28, 2025

The First Sunday of Luke

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SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 28

8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Youth in the Loft/Sunday School begins after Holy Communion)
Memorials: Konstantina Dimitropoulos, Benita Kosiara, Steve Lekas, Peter Mathews,
George Roumbos, Peter Roumbos, Konstandinos Vlangos,
Panagiota Vlangos
Fellowship Hour: Hosted by the Leider & Lekas families, in loving memory of Steve Lekas
11:45 a.m. Sunday School Staff Meeting

TUESDAY

SEPTEMBER 30

4:30 p.m. Greek School

WEDNESDAY

OCTOBER 1

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Jr GOYA

THURSDAY

OCTOBER 2

1:00 p.m. Bible Study
4:30 p.m. Greek School
5:30 p.m. Greek School PTO Meeting
6:15 p.m. Neolea Dance Troupe

FRIDAY

OCTOBER 3: FEAST DAY OF ST DIONYSIOS THE AREOPAGITE

6:00 p.m. Evening Divine Liturgy

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 4

5:00 p.m. Vespers
6:00 p.m. Vespers Potluck Dinner

Epistle Reading – 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Gospel Reading – Luke 5: 1 -11

Sunday School Front Row Seating: This week we welcome the 2nd graders to the front row! Thank you for supporting this effort to help the children learn about the Divine Liturgy and grow to love it. Next week the 1st graders will have their turn!

Help Wanted: Looking for a way to give back and serve God?

- We need volunteers to bring or cook dinner for the JOY ministry (20-30 children ages 5-12). Contact Alexa at Youthdirector@holyapostleschurch.com to learn more!
- Youth in the Loft is looking for an assistant to help with the ministry and high school students. If interested, please contact Bette Schieber at Loft@holyapostleschurch.com
- We are looking for drivers who can pick up parishioners who are unable to drive themselves to church services. Please contact the church office if you're interested in volunteering.

Resurrectional Apolytikion Grave Mode

You destroyed death by Your Cross, You opened Paradise to the Robber. You turned the Myrrh-bearing Women's lament into joy, and You commanded Your Apostles to preach that You rose, O Christ God, granting the world great mercy.

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Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον - Ἦχος βαρύς

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον· ἠνέφξας τῷ ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον· τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρήνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Katélisas to Stavró sou ton thánaton; i-néoxas to lísti ton Parádison; ton Myrofóron ton thrínon metévales, ke tis síis Apostólis kiríttin epétaxas, óti anéstis Christe o Theós, paréchon to kósmo to méga éleos.

The Epistle – 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Brethren, working together with him, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

The Gospel – Luke 5: 1-11

At that time, while Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

2025 Clergy-Laity Assembly and Philoptochos Conference will take place at the Meridian Banquet & Conference Center in Rolling Meadows, IL on November 5-6, 2025. Holy Apostles will need to nominate two members of our parish to join Fr. George and Jim Maragos there during our Parish Assembly on Sunday, October 19. If you're interested in attending this year's Clergy-Laity Assembly, please contact the office.

Feed the Hungry: On Monday, October 6th at 10:00 am we will be preparing sack lunches at church in the multipurpose room. We will distribute the lunches the following day on Tuesday, October 7th at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church (11:15 am) in Chicago. If you are interested in helping out either day, please contact Anne Theophilos at 630-460-0712.

Parish Database & Directory Project

We are in the process of updating the Holy Apostles Parish database and need your help to ensure it is complete and accurate. We ask stewards to provide all the requested information for our office records. If your children are over the age of 18, please have them fill out a separate form. Please take a few moments to provide your household's contact information.

We are also working to publish a new Holy Apostles Directory, one which includes a family photo as well as your contact information. Your adult children can choose to be included in the family photograph or to have their own. You may choose if your contact information is to be published in the directory. The directory will be published only as a hard copy, a printed book that will be distributed one per household to all interested Holy Apostles stewards. This directory is a valuable way for our parish family to stay connected and support one another. Thank you for your participation!

HOLY APOSTLES DIRECTORY & CONTACT UPDATE

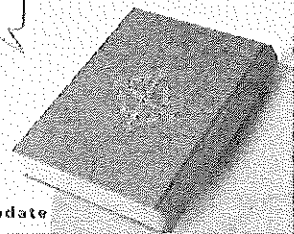
Holy Apostles is updating their contact database and simultaneously making a directory book. We ask all parishioners to fill out the form linked below to update their contact information for our database, then may choose whether or not to be included in the directory.
More details linked below.

ALL
PARISHIONERS
FILL OUT THE
FORM LINKED
BELOW



bit.ly/HAContactUpdate

Volunteers Also Needed



Holy Apostles Foundation: Should I contribute to the Foundation instead of Stewardship?

It is important to understand that the Foundation is NOT a replacement for stewardship. Rather, we ask that all members of the Holy Apostles family consider that Holy Apostles is our home, and our stewardship commitment is our mortgage payment for that home. The Foundation should be thought of as a long term savings plan to ensure that our home is cared for and maintained. The Foundation's 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status is pending. For more information about the Foundation, why it was established and a list of donation options, visit the Foundation section of the Holy Apostles website. The Holy Apostles Foundation is up and running! The structure of the Foundation requires a minimum of two million dollars to be collected before disbursing any funds. The investment proceeds can then be used while the initial capital will remain invested for the future. The Foundation's 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status is pending. For more information about the Foundation, why it was established and a list of donation options, visit the Foundation section of the Holy Apostles website.



Welcome Back to Sunday School

PreK 4/5 - Room 206

Mrs Alicia and Mrs Fran

Kindergarten - Room 207

Mrs Andrea and Ms Niki

1st grade - Room 208

Mrs Deanne and Miss Britney

2nd grade - Room 105

Mrs Nicole and Miss Bella

3rd grade - Room 107

Mrs Milak and Mrs Panopoulos

4th & 5th grade - Room 106

Mr and Mrs Pappas, Mr and Mrs Kakis

6th grade - Room 205

Mr D, James, and Mrs Panton

7th & 8th grade - Room 108

Pres. Christa and Mr Alex

9th & 10th grade - GOYA room

Mr Tselepis and Mr Milak

11th & 12th grade - Philopt. room

Peter and Megan Savas

Sunday School classes meet:

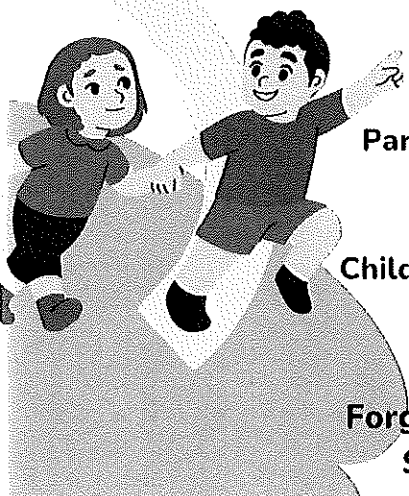
from after communion until 11:35

Notes for Parents:

Parents of children PreK through 3rd grade, please pick up
from classrooms at 11:35

Children too young for Sunday School may be brought to the
Tots room with a parent to learn
& play together during Sunday School.

Forgot to register? Go to class today, then please email
SundaySchoolDirector@holypostleschurch.com





Empowered Elegance

A Celebration of Women

**Holy Apostles Philoptochos Society
Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show**

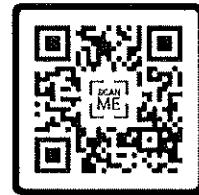
Saturday, October 18, 2025

Drury 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

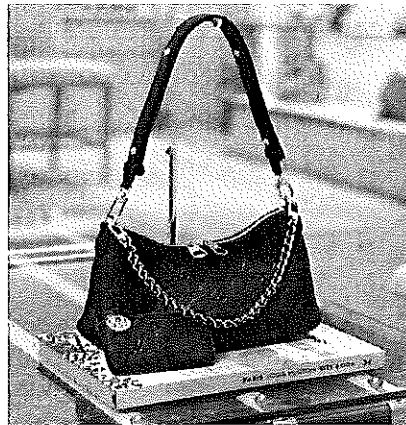
**Floor plan for table selection is available only in-person
with a purchase of at least 8 tickets**

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

Luxe RAFFLE

Buy a \$20 raffle ticket to be entered to
win TWO luxurious items from

Louis Vuitton



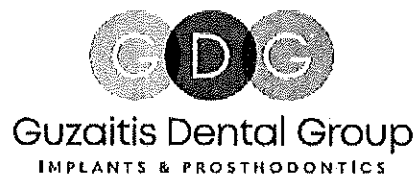
Step into luxury with our exclusive Luxe Raffle prizes – a stunning Louis Vuitton Boulogne PM handbag and Romy Card holder duo that blends elegance, function and timeless style. *Total Retail Value \$3,555.*

A portion of the proceeds from this raffle will benefit
The Hippocratic Cancer Research Foundation & The FAITH Endowment

Purchase event and raffle tickets here



We would like to thank the Guzaitis Dental Group for their generous sponsorship of these prizes.



Louis Vuitton prizes are not eligible for returns or exchanges. Winner need not be present

6th, 7th & 8th grade JR. GOYA

2025-2026

1st & 3rd Wednesdays 7:00-8:15pm

- 9/17
- 9/27 - Carwash 9-11am
- 10/1
- 10/15
- 10/17-18 - Fall Retreat at SIRC
- 11/5
- 11/19
- 12/3
- 12/17
- 1/7
- 1/21
- 2/4
- 2/25
- 3/18
- 3/31 - Palmfolding 6:30-8:30pm
- 4/4 - Pascha Prep, 10:30-11:30am
- 4/10 - Good Friday Retreat 11:30-2:15pm
- 4/15 - Bright Tuesday Dinner celebration
- 5/5 - Greek Night BBQ Party



JOY

1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS,

6:15PM-7:15PM

Kindergarten-5th Grade

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| 9/16 | 1/6 | |
| 10/7 | 1/20 | 3/17 |
| 10/21 | 2/3 | 4/10, GOOD FRIDAY RETREAT |
| 11/4 | 2/17 | 4/21 |
| 12/2 | | |
| 12/16 | | |



TOTS

AGES 18 MONTHS - 5

2ND & 4TH WEDNESDAYS

10:00AM-11:00AM

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| 9/10 | 1/14 | 1/28 |
| 9/24 | 2/11 | 2/25 |
| 10/10 | 3/11 | 3/25 |
| 10/29 | 4/10, GOOD FRIDAY RETREAT | |
| 11/12 | RETREAT | |
| 12/10 | 4/22 | |
| | 5/13 | |

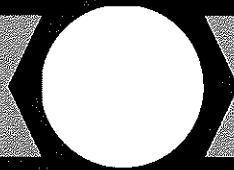
GOYA High Schoolers

2025-2026 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00-8:15pm

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| • 9/9 - BBQ, 6:30-8:30pm | • 1/13 | 1/27 |
| • 9/23 | • 2/10 | 2/24 |
| • 9/27 - Car Wash, 9-11 AM | • 3/10 | |
| • 10/14 | • 3/31 - Confession/Palm folding, 6:30-8:30 | |
| • 10/17-18, Fall Retreat | • 4/4 - Pascha Prep, 10:30-11:30 | |
| • 10/28 | • 4/10 - Good Friday Retreat | |
| • 11/11 - Christmas Shopping, 6:30-8:00pm | • 4/14 | |
| • 11/25 - Friendsgiving, 6:45-8:15pm | • 5/5 | |
| • 12/9 | | |

HOLY APOSTLES BASKETBALL

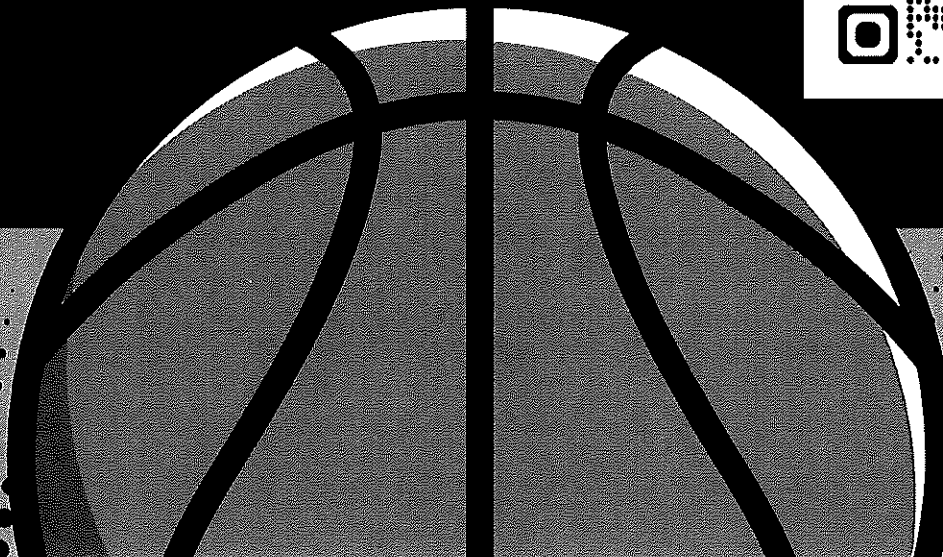
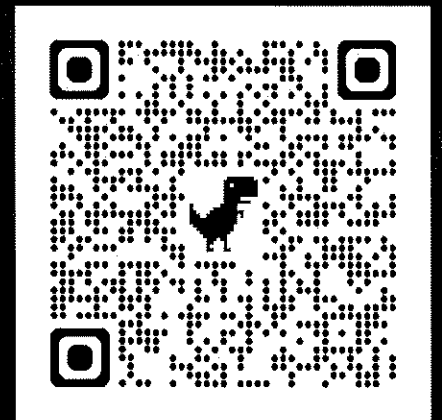
BOYS AND GIRLS



3RD - 12TH GRADE

**Teams play in the
Greek Orthodox Athletic League**

FOR MORE INFO
EMAIL ANDREA SAN LUIS
ATHLETICS@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM



PHILOPTOCHOS

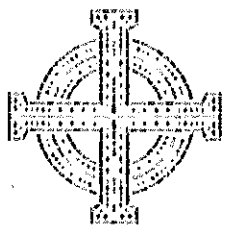
"Share the Warmth"



Month of October

Your donation of gently used Adult and Children's coats to benefit Warm Coats for Cool Kids and Repeat Boutique will help those in need. Please bring your donations to the coat racks in the multi-purpose room.

Thank you for your support!



HOLY APOSTLES
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Join us in this ministry with the goal of
supporting the health of our families through
education, health promotion, and resources.**

IDENTIFY NEEDS
ORGANIZE SESSIONS
BECOME A SPEAKER
AND MORE



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**OCT 26
NOON
FOLLOWING
DIVINE LITURGY**

**WATCH
THE GAME**

**HOLY
APOSTLES
MULTI-
PURPOSE
ROOM**

**POT
LUCK
WATCH
PARTY**

**KIDS &
ADULTS
FLAG
FOOTBALL**

**NORTH
LAWN**

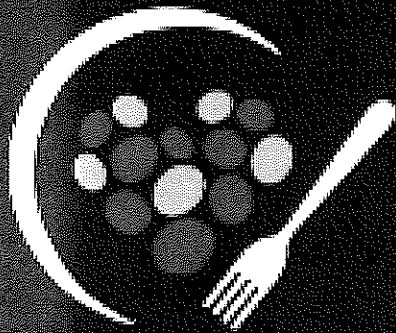


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HOLY APOSTLES VOLUNTEERS AT THE



WESTCHESTER FOOD PANTRY

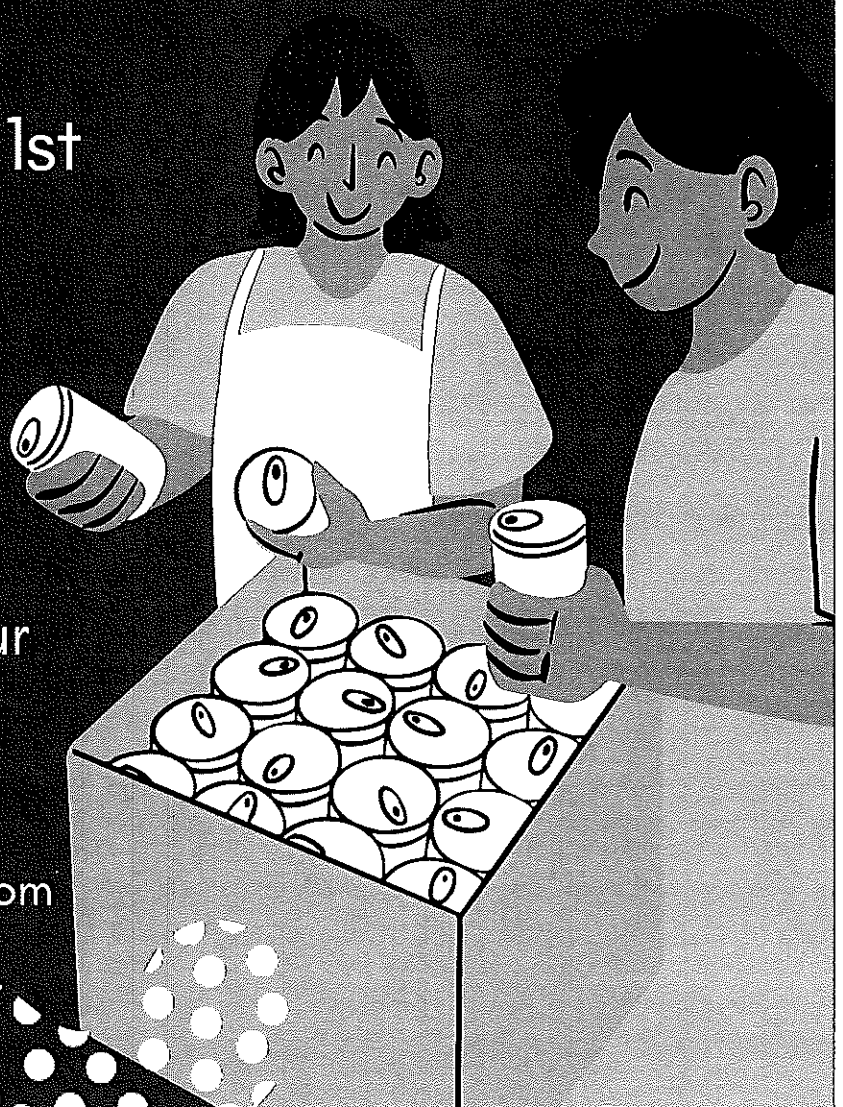
Saturday, November 1st
8:30 am – 12:00 pm

Sign up deadline
October 25th

Sign up with the link in your
weekly email.

Questions?

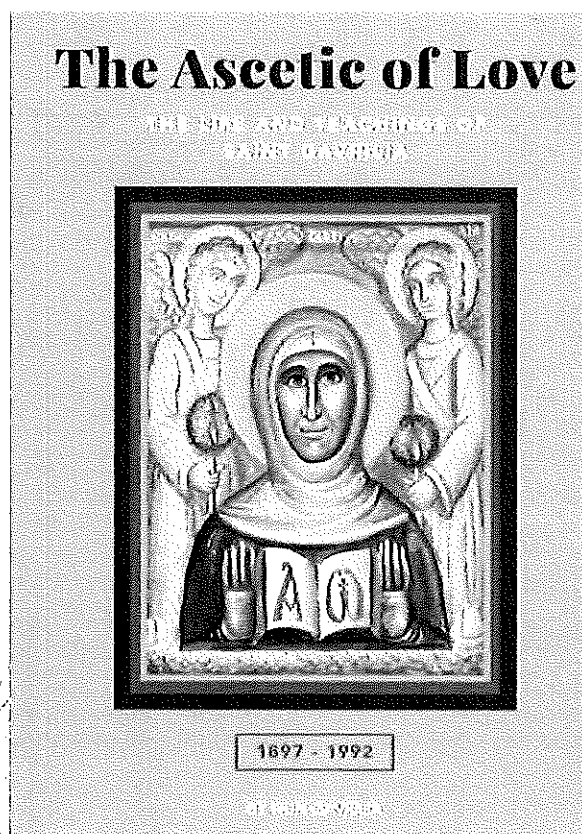
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DISCOVERIES IN ORTHODOXY

ALTERNATING
THURSDAYS
7:15 PM-8:30 PM

- **Sept. 25** - Introducing St. Gavrilia & the book, "The Ascetic of Love"
- **Oct. 9** - St. Gavrilia's Life and Teachings, Part 2
- **Oct. 23** - St. Gavrilia's Life and Teachings, Part 3
- **Nov. 6** - Final Reflections on St. Gavrilia and Her Relevance for Our Lives



You're Invited

SATURDAY, NOV. 15

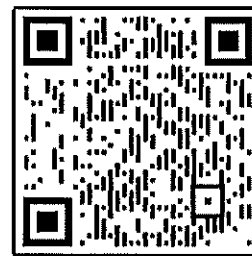
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**REGISTER
TODAY!**



CONTACT PETER SAVAS AT PSAVAS@THEOYM.ORG OR 708-203-0383

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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