

Weekly Bulletin

October 5, 2025

The Second Sunday of Luke

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SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Sunday School begins after Holy Communion)
Memorials: Georgios Kolimbiris, Angela Koutsis, Zoe and James Peplos,
Popi Kouropoulou
Fellowship Hour: Hosted by the Missions Ministry
40 Day Blessings: Connie Koustenis and daughter Phoebe, Megan Savas and son Nikeforos

OCTOBER 5

MONDAY

8:00 a.m. Orthros
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

OCTOBER 6: FEAST OF ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE

TUESDAY

11:15 a.m. Feed the Hungry
4:30 p.m. Greek School
6:15 p.m. JOY
7:00 p.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting

OCTOBER 7

WEDNESDAY

10:00 a.m. TOTS meet at Cosley Zoo
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

OCTOBER 8

THURSDAY

6:45 p.m. Brotherhood of St. Peter the Apostle
1:00 p.m. Bible Study
4:30 p.m. Greek School
7:15 p.m. Discoveries in Orthodoxy

OCTOBER 9

SATURDAY

5:00 p.m. Vespers

OCTOBER 11

Epistle Reading – 2 Corinthians 6:16 – 7:1

Gospel Reading – Luke 6:31 – 36

Sunday School Front Row Seating: This week we welcome the 1st graders to the front row! Thank you for supporting this effort to help the children learn about the Divine Liturgy.

Jesse Brandow from OCMC: Please help us welcome Jesse, who is a Spanish translator of church service texts in Central America, along with his wife Juanita, and their son, Matthew. Jesse will be giving the sermon today. There will be a basket in the back of the church during dismissal for donations to OCMC. Scan the QR code for electronic donations and information.



Resurrectional Apolytikion - Mode Pl. 4

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and consented to a three-day burial, to free us from the passions. O Lord, our life and resurrection, glory to You!

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον - ᾠχος πλ. δ´

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Eks Ἰpsous katēlthes o Eὐsplanchnos, tafin katédexō triímeron, ína imás eleftherósis ton pathón.
I Zoí ke i Anástasis imón, Kírie, dóxa si.

The Epistle – 2 Corinthians 6:16 – 7:1

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, “I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.” Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

The Gospel – Luke 6:31 – 36

The Lord said, “And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, despairing of no man; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.

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 delegates from our parish to join Fr. George and Jim Maragos there during our Parish Assembly on Sunday, October 19. If you're interested in being a delegate at this year's Clergy-Laity Assembly, please contact the office.

Parish Database & Directory: PAPER FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE COFFEE HOUR

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.

HOLY APOSTLES DIRECTORY & CONTACT UPDATE

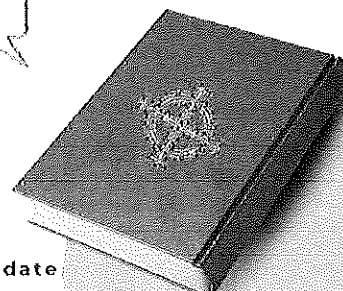
Holy Apostles is updating their contact database and simultaneously making a directory book. We ask all parishioners to fill out the form linked below to update their contact information for our database, then may choose whether or not to be included in the directory. More details linked below.

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



bit.ly/HAContactUpdate

Volunteers Also Needed

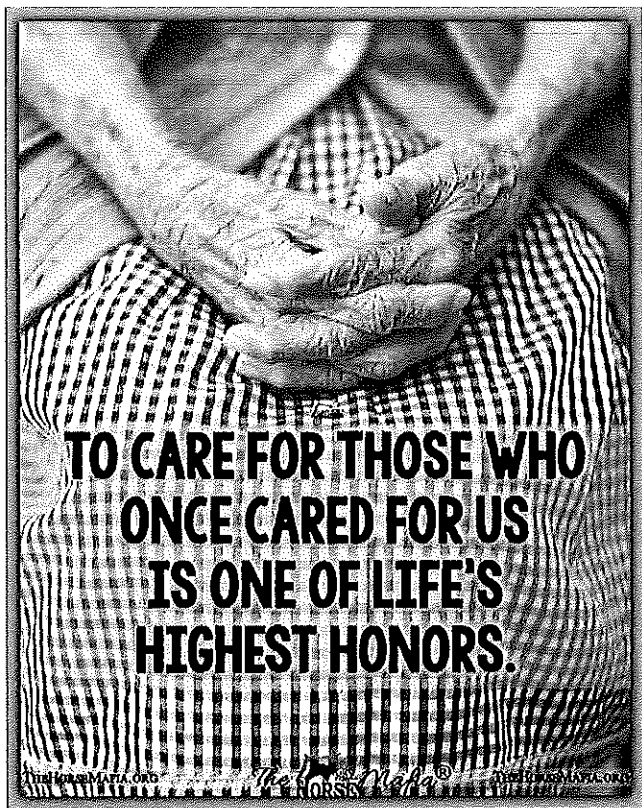


Caregiver Support Group: Please join us on Tuesday, October 14th at 1:00 pm in the Philoptochos room. Please contact Kathy Steffenson at gksteff@gmail.com or Val Dranias at valdranias@aol.com with any questions. We hope that you will join us.

Ministries Artoklasia: Holy Apostles will thank its ministries for their service with an Artoklasia on Sunday, October 12th. Service projects performed by ministries during July, August and September 2025 will also be highlighted. Join us as we celebrate the ministries and recognize their work to benefit others.

The Holy Apostles Foundation Benefits Our Programs and Projects:

The Holy Apostles Foundation is up and running! 100% of all donations to the Foundation will benefit Holy Apostles' programs and projects. 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.



Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant: Sunday, December 14th

We are pleased to announce that the children of the Holy Apostles will be presenting the annual Christmas Pageant on December 14th. 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 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 2nd. An informational table will be set up in the multipurpose room on Sundays, October 19th and October 26th for registration as well. Please feel free to contact Sandy Pihos, Pageant Director, with any additional questions or more information at christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com. or call/text 630-640-5811.



HOLY APOSTLES
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

JOIN THE HEALTHCARE MINISTRY

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



HEALTHCARE@HOLYPOSTLESCHURCH.COM

Healthcare Ministry: Please consider joining our new healthcare ministry. There is a zoom meeting for all interested in getting more information on October 14, 2025 at 7:00pm. To join, use Meeting ID: 912 7024 2349 and Passcode: 131495

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@holypostleschurch.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@holypostleschurch.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.

GOAL Basketball: Time is running out to sign up! Holy Apostles will be participating in the Greek Orthodox Athletic League again this year. Practices are once a week and will start mid October (October practices will be on Friday evenings, then will switch to Saturday mornings in November). Games are once a week, typically on Sunday afternoons. There are spots available on every team, with a few requiring additional players to participate.

3rd/4th grade Boys
5th/6th grade Boys (6 more required to form a team)
7th/8th grade Boys
High School Boys (2 more required to form a team)
3rd-6th grade Girls
7th-12th Grade Girls (6 more required to form a team)

Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church



Last call for
BASKETBALL

Available Teams:

<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>
3rd-6th grade	3rd-4th grade
7th -12 grade	5th-6th grade
	7th-8th grade
	9th-12th grade


More players needed for all teams!



ATHLETICS@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM

OCT 26
NOON
FOLLOWING
DIVINE LITURGY

WATCH THE GAME
HOLY APOSTLES MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

KIDS & ADULTS FLAG FOOTBALL
NORTH LAWN



 **AT** 

parishfamily@holyapostleschurch.com

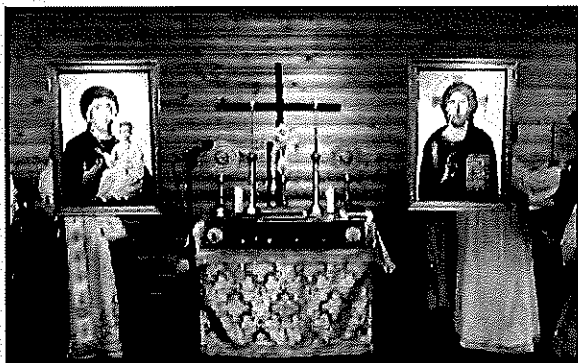
GO BEARS! Join our parish family for a potluck and watch party as the Chicago Bears face the Baltimore Ravens at noon. It will be a pot luck lunch, so please bring something to share. A sign up will be available starting next week for food.

We will also have flag football available on the north lawn for those interested in a little competition. Please reach out to the Parish family ministry with any questions.



**Come for fun, games
and a deep dive into
Divine Liturgy**

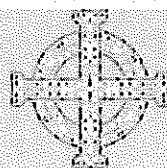
**Forms and
NONREFUNDABLE \$40
Deposit due to Alexa or
churchoffice on October 14th**



**Friday, October 17-
Saturday October 18th**

- ❖ 6:00PM arrive at HA
- ❖ 6:30 PM leave for SIRC
- ❖ 12:15PM Go Apple Picking-Sat.
- ❖ Be Back at church by 3:45pm
Saturday

Send forms to Alexa at
YouthDirector@HolyApostlesChurch.com
Pick up forms at Youth Table or Front Office



HOLY APOSTLES



Empowered Elegance

A Celebration of Women

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

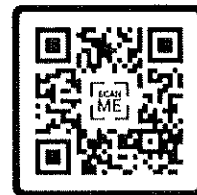
Saturday, October 18, 2025

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

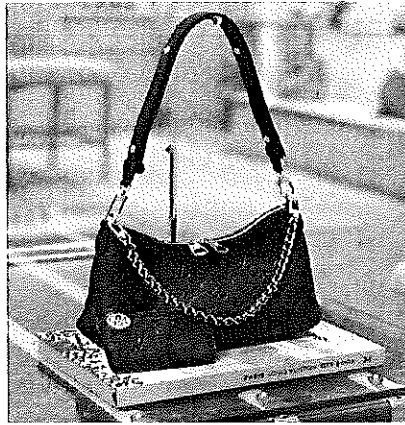
**Floor plan for table selection is available only in-person
with a purchase of at least 8 tickets**

**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



CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS 18-35 YEARS OLD: HOLY APOSTLES YAL FALL KICK-OFF

OCTOBER, 16, 2025
7:30PM

@ALTER BREWING
1170 W 22ND ST, OAK BROOK, IL
60523

QUESTIONS? CONTACT BRITNEY PAPPAS:
YAL@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM



HOLY APOSTLES YAL 2025-2026 EVENTS

OCTOBER

16

7:30 PM
KICK-OFF
@ALTER BREWING,
OAK BROOK

NOVEMBER

20

7:30 PM
FRIENDSGIVING
POTLUCK
@HOLY APOSTLES

DECEMBER

18

7:30 PM
CHRISTMAS PARTY
@HYATT LODGE,
OAK BROOK

JANUARY

20

7:30 PM
BIBLE STUDY
@HOLY APOSTLES

FEBRUARY

19

6:00 PM
LITURGY @HOLY APOSTLES
DINNER @ WOODEN
PADDLE, LAGRANGE

MARCH

31

7:00 PM
PALM FOLDING &
CONFESSION
@HOLY APOSTLES

APRIL

16

7:30 PM
BRIGHT WEEK
DINNER
@FULLER HOUSE,
HINSDALE

MAY

28

7:30 PM
DISCUSSION
@HOLY APOSTLES

JUNE

TBD

GREEK PICNIC

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PHILOPTOCHOS

"Share the Warmth"

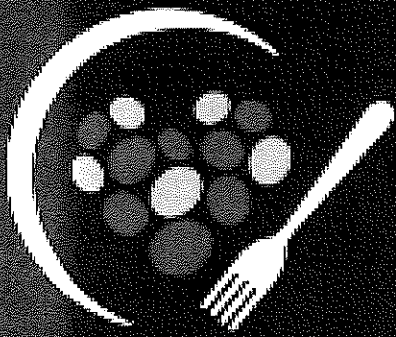


Month of October

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 VOLUNTEERS AT THE



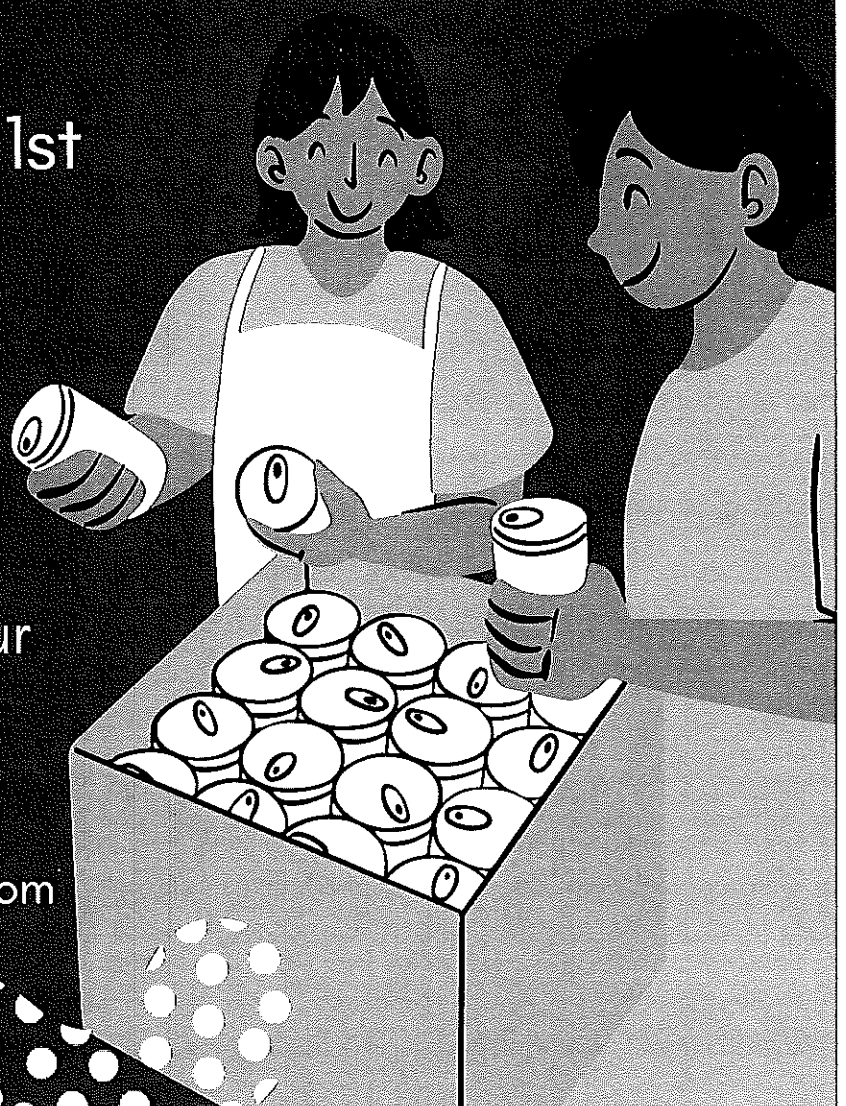
WESTCHESTER FOOD PANTRY

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

Sign up deadline
October 25th

Sign up with the link in your
weekly email.

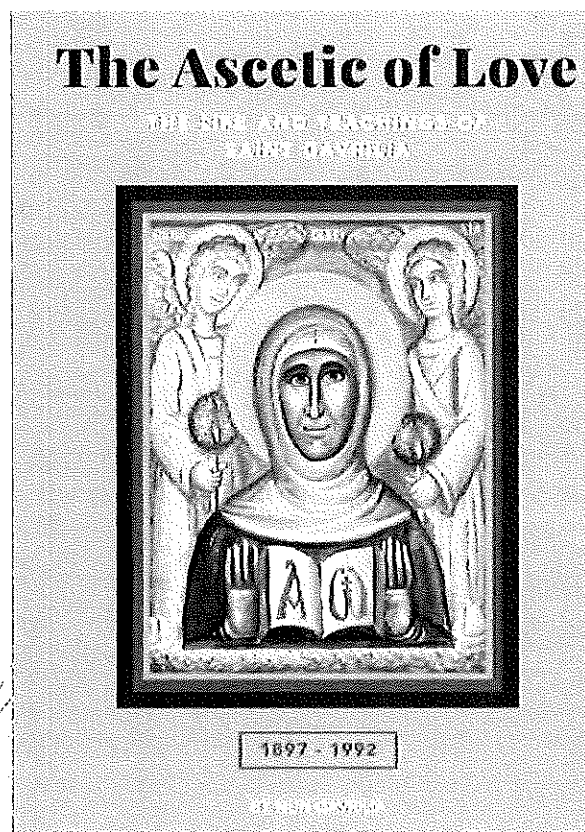
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DISCOVERIES IN ORTHODOXY

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





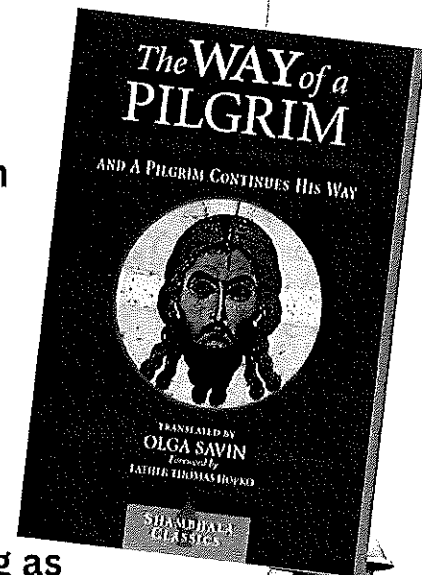
Women's Book Club

Women of all ages are invited to join us on a journey through "The Way of a Pilgrim", as we follow the Pilgrim's path and explore his quest for a life of continual prayer to God.

When: Thursday, December 4, 7:15 pm

Where: Holy Apostles Multi-purpose room

What: "The Way of a Pilgrim and A Pilgrim Continues His Way" (any edition).



BYOM: Bring your own mug as hot drinks will be provided.

Contact Presv. Christa with any questions at

PresChrista@gmail.com



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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