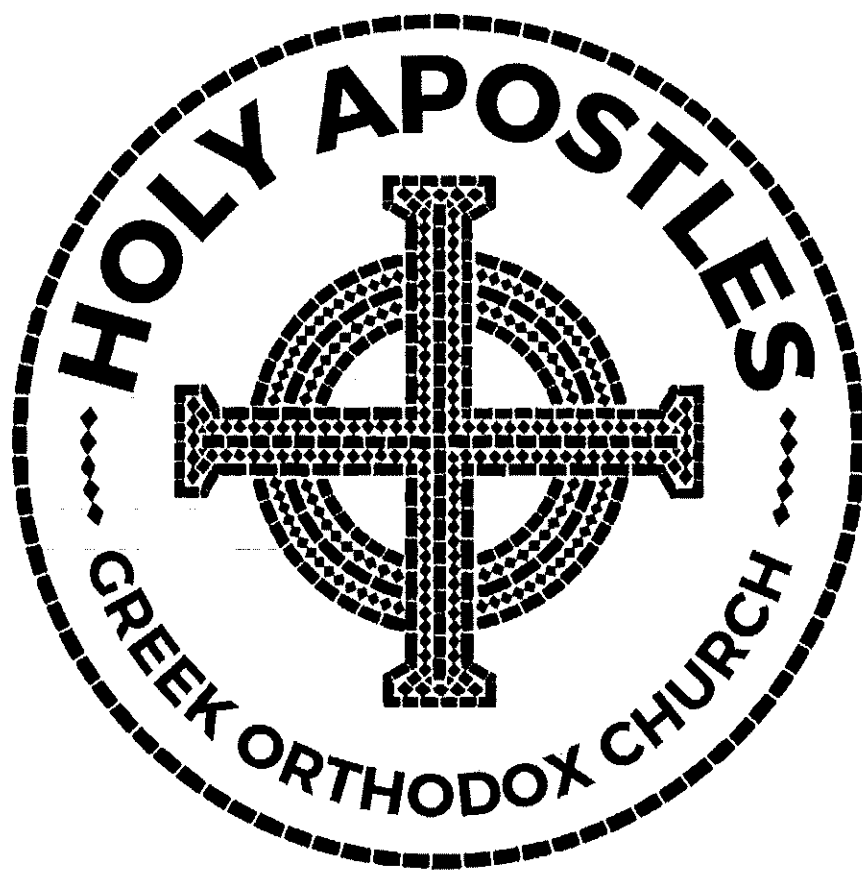




Weekly Bulletin

November 16, 2025

Matthew the Apostle and Evangelist

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SUNDAY

8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Sunday School today following Holy Communion)
Memorials: Panagiotis Fosses, Michael Burtzos
Fellowship Hour: Hosted by the Fosses and Lozano Families in loving memory of Pete Fosses and Michael Burtzos
11:20 a.m. Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
12:00 p.m. Healthcare Ministry Meeting: Medical Information on the Internet

MONDAY

8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

TUESDAY

8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
4:30 p.m. Greek School
6:15 p.m. JOY
7:00 p.m. Fashion Show Recap Meeting

WEDNESDAY

8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
1:00 p.m. Bereavement Group Meeting
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Jr GOYA
7:00 p.m. Parish Family Ministry Meeting

THURSDAY

8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
1:00 p.m. Bible Study
4:30 p.m. Greek School
6:15 p.m. Greek School Staff Meeting
7:30 p.m. Parish Council Meeting
7:30 p.m. YAL Thanksgiving Potluck

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. Orthros
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
7:00 p.m. Small Paraklesis

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:00 a.m. Baptism: Alexander, son of Brian & Stephanie Rosasco
Sponsor: Maria & John Stephanian
2:00 p.m. Wedding: Nikoleta Giannakopoulos & Michael Glowinski
Sponsor: Panagiota Giannakopoulos
2:00 p.m. Basketball: Holy Apostles at Holy Cross
5:00 p.m. Vespers

NOVEMBER 16

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NOVEMBER 17

Divine Liturgy

NOVEMBER 18

Divine Liturgy
Greek School
JOY
Fashion Show Recap Meeting

NOVEMBER 19

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Choir Rehearsal
Jr GOYA
Parish Family Ministry Meeting

NOVEMBER 20

Divine Liturgy
Bible Study
Greek School
Greek School Staff Meeting
Parish Council Meeting
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NOVEMBER 21: ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS INTO THE TEMPLE

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
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Epistle Reading – Romans 10:11 – 21; 11:1 – 2 Reader: Ellia Gryfakis

Gospel Reading – Matthew 9:9 – 13

Resurrectional Apolytikion - Mode 2.

When the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. And standing by the sepulcher was Mary, who was seeking Your immaculate body. Unassailed by Hades, You divested it of spoils. Then You met the Virgin. You granted life. O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to You!

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον - ᾠχὸς β΄.

Ἀγγελικαὶ δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνήμα σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν· καὶ ἵστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν ἄδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ’ αὐτοῦ· ὑπήντησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωὴν. Ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Angeliké dynámeis epí to mníma sou, kai i fylássontes apenekróthisan; kai ístato María en to táfo, zitousa to áchrandon sou sóma. Eskýlefsas ton ádin, mí peirastheís yp’ aftou; ypíntisas ti Parthénou, doroumenos tin zoín. O anastás ek ton nekrón, Kýrie dóxa soi.

The Epistle – Romans 10:11 – 21; 11:1 – 2

Brethren, the scripture says, “No one who believes in God will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and bestows his riches upon all who call upon him. For, “every one who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved.” But how are men to call upon him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without a preacher? And how can men preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach good news!” But they have not all obeyed the gospel; for Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ. But I ask, have they not heard? Indeed they have; for “Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.” Again I ask, did Israel not understand? First Moses says, “I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation; with a foolish nation I will make you angry.” Then Isaiah is so bold as to say, “I have been found by those who did not seek me; I have shown myself to those who did not ask for me.” But of Israel he says, “All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people.” I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

The Gospel – Matthew 9:9 – 13

At that time, as Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax office; and he said to him, “Follow me.” And he rose and followed him. And as he sat at a table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?” But when he heard it, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.’ For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.”

Holy Apostles Basketball Teams Need Timekeepers and Scorekeepers! We have 4 home games that we need help with. The dates are 11/23, 12/7, 12/21, and 1/4 at Westchester Intermediate School. Games are at 2:00, 2:45, and 3:30. This can count as service hours. If you can help, please reach out to Andrea San Luis at athletics@holypostleschurch.com.

Explore Authentic Medical Information on the Internet: If this sounds interesting to you, please join our Healthcare Ministry today at noon in the multipurpose room. All are welcome!

It's time for a new directory! We've engaged with Universal Church Directories to work with us and provide a complete professional portrait studio right here at Holy Apostles. We have four dates from which to choose between now and the end of 2025, each with approximately 32 appointment time slots, which you can sign up for during fellowship hour. For more information, see the 11/12 email, or email parishfamily@holypostleschurch.com.

Psalm Reading Group: Looking for peace during the hectic holiday season? Join the Psalms Reading Group! Everyone is invited to read/pray the Psalms throughout the Nativity Fast!

When: Sat., 11/15 - Wed., 12/24/25

Where: In the privacy of your home

How: Use a resource that employs the Greek numbering system (Septuagint or The Seventy). Examples are: The Orthodox Study Bible; any Orthodox version of The Psalter; or Songs of Praise by Sylvia Leontaritis. All are available in HARC. Register via the QR code now thru Mon., 11/10 or by sending your name/email to: psalter@holypostleschurch.com



Fellowship Hour Ministry: The purpose of this ministry is to help facilitate the coffee hours where congregants meet after the Divine Liturgy and visit with their fellow parishioners. This is a commitment to provide worthwhile service to the church and promotes the unity of Holy Apostles and visitors as a family. It is a low-key commitment where you are asked, probably no more than twice a year, providing enough people join, to make coffee for the coffee hour. You will be trained to use the equipment and learn how to clean it up. We have found that what intimidates people the most about hosting a Coffee Hour is making the coffee.

OR

You can volunteer to help set up for our Potluck Coffee Hours and clean up. If a family is hosting and needs additional help, you might be asked to assist. Again, training and instructions will be given, and it is not anticipated that you will be asked to do this often. Both groups will be emailed, and people can choose the dates that fit into their schedules...no one will be assigned. You will not be expected to provide any items to participate unless you volunteer to do so. Please sign up if you are interested. We need your assistance.

If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please email Sandy Pihos at fellowshiphour@holypostleschurch.com, call/text her at 630-640-5811, or scan this QR code.





Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant
Sunday, December 14th
IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!!
Rehearsal Sunday, November 16th

The annual Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant is quickly approaching. **WE NEED MORE PARTICIPANTS ESPECIALLY KINDERGARTNERS, FIRST GRADERS, SECOND GRADERS, AND CHOIR MEMBERS!** Forms will be available at each of the rehearsals to register your child, or you may bring a filled out copy of the form that was previously mailed to you.

Kindergartners through third grade students will play the silent roles of the characters in the Nativity Scene. Fourth through eight graders will sing traditional Christmas Carols for the program and be narrators.

High school instrumentalists who are interested in joining the musical ensemble should contact Mrs. Zoe Tomaras at 630-476-0223 or email her at the email address below.

The Choir (4th – 8th graders) should report to room 208. Rehearsal will start immediately after Sunday School at 11:20 A.M. Assistants will bring Kindergarten through grade 3 participants into the church following Sunday School. Parents will not need to do so.

For more information, please feel free to send an email the pageant director, Sandy Pihos, at christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com or call/text at 630-640-5811



**Please support the
Holy Apostles Hellenic Academy
and join us at our holiday**

BAKE SALE and pita sale

Sunday, November 23rd

IMMEDIATELY AFTER DIVINE LITURGY

**HOMEMADE SWEETS, PIES, SEASONAL LOAVES,
TIROPITES, SPANAKOPITES, FRAPPE, AND
HOT CHOCOLATE AVAILABLE!**





PLEASE DONATE TO THE PHILOPTOCHOS

HOLIDAY COLLECTION FOR TOYS & GIFTS

*to benefit families assisted by the Family Shelter
Service of DuPage*

Philoptochos volunteers shop and deliver items directly to the shelter where victims of domestic abuse have an opportunity to select a special Christmas gift for members of their families.

- ❖ DONATE IN PERSON EVERY SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER AFTER LITURGY
- ❖ SEND YOUR CHECK TO THE CHURCH OFFICE MADE OUT TO "HOLY APOSTLES PHILOPTOCHOS" and note "TOY DRIVE" in the memo
- ❖ ONLINE AT www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501
- ❖ SCAN THE QR CODE



Please consider helping us to make the holiday season brighter and happier for these families - Thank you!

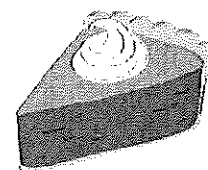


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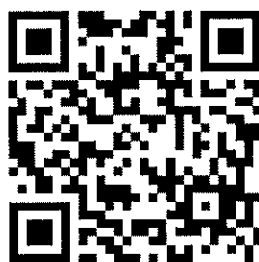
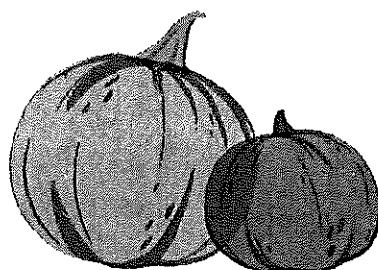
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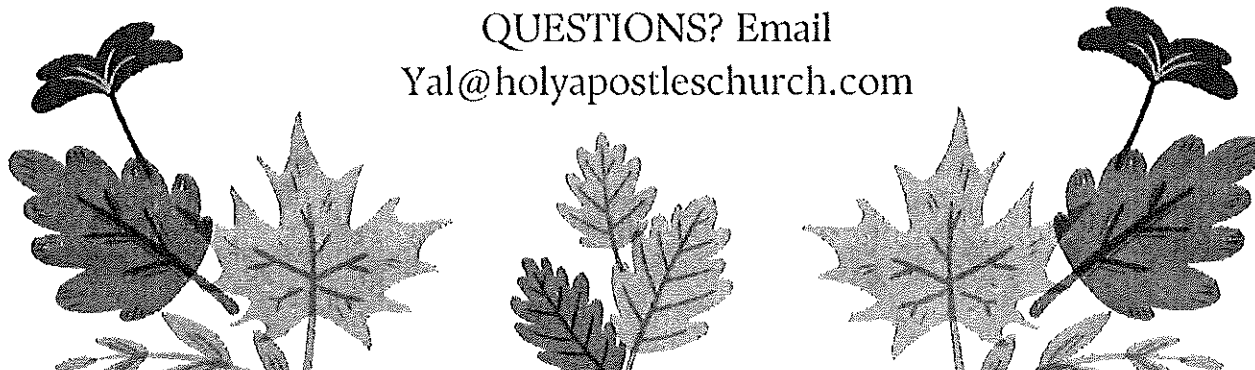
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QUESTIONS? Email
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Christmas Breakfast with Santa

Please reserve a spot at the pancake
Christmas Breakfast, following Liturgy and the Pageant,
on Sunday December 14th.

Santa will make a special appearance,
in spite of his busy schedule.

Cost will be \$10 for Adults and children 5 and older -
children 4 and under are free.

Please make your reservations
November 5th thru December 10th
either by clicking on the QR code here



online at www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501 in person after
liturgy on Sundays, November 30th & December 7th
or contact Nia Dillon at niamdillon@gmail.com



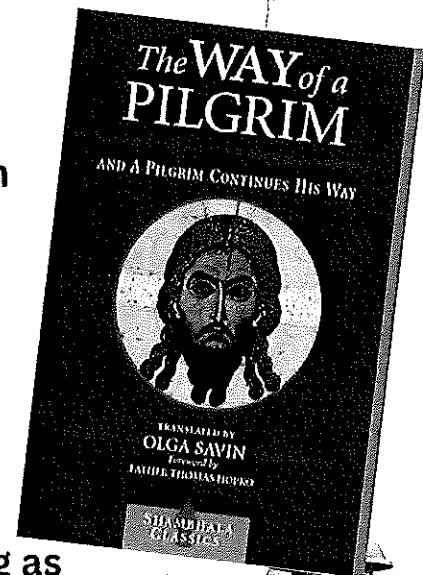
Women's Book Club

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



Philoptochos Christmas Party
and
General Meeting

THURSDAY, December 11th
6:30pm
Holy Apostles Multi-purpose Room

Lenten Buffet and Sweets

Entertainment:
Hinsdale Central High School Orchestra

We will collect children's socks, hats, gloves, and
scarves for donation to
The People's Resource Center

Please RSVP no later than 12/05 to
Aleka Ernst at (630) 561-1660
or alekaernst@aol.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

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Sermon Notes

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