

Weekly Bulletin
December 28, 2025
The Sunday After Nativity

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 28

8:15 a.m. Orthros

Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

His Grace Bishop Timothy, Anna Karras, James (Demetrios) Kyriazopoulos, Memorials:

Andrew Tomaras, Betty Tomaras, Peter Tomaras

11:30 a.m. Hosted by the Chiamas & Chiganos Families

MONDAY DECEMBER 29

Parish Directory Photo Sessions 2:00 p.m.

TUESDAY **DECEMBER 30**

2:00 p.m. Parish Directory Photo Sessions

JANUARY 1: FEAST DAY OF ST BASIL THURSDAY

8:45 a.m. Orthros

Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. **JANUARY 3 SATURDAY**

5:00 p.m. Vespers

6:00 p.m. Vespers Potluck Dinner

Epistle Reading – Galatians 1:11 – 19 Reader: Madeline Kubesh

Gospel Reading – Matthew. 2:13 – 23

Please note the schedule changes for this week:

★ The office will be closed at noon on December 31.

★ The office will be closed all day on January 1.

★ No Sunday School until January 4.

Help Needed: The JOY Youth Group is looking for a few more families to cook dinner for us on 1/20, 3/17 and 4/21. We are a group of about 20 cute kids (ages 5-10) and 5 adults. Please email Alexa at YouthDirector@holyapostleschurch.com for more details!

Coffee Hour Hosts/Helpers Needed: Grab your family, friends, and koumbari and sign up together! Hosting instructions are found with the OR code.

For Your Information: We recognize that parishioners often bring loved ones to church, and at times it can be challenging to help them inside. To make this easier, you are welcome to pull up to the main church doors, where volunteers will be available to assist with entering the building. Support will also be provided when leaving. We encourage everyone to take advantage of this assistance whenever it is helpful.

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 a few dates from which to choose, which you can sign up for. For more information, see the 11/12 email, or email parishfamily@holyapostleschurch.com.

Resurrectional Apolytikion: Mode 4.

When the women disciples of the Lord heard the Angel joyously proclaim the resurrection, they cast aside the ancestral verdict, and boasting in glory they said to the Apostles, "Death has been despoiled! Christ God has risen, granting great mercy to the world!"

Απολυτίκιον Αναστάσιμον: Ήχος δ΄

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Άγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριαι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Tò fethrón tis anastáseos kírigma, ek tu Angélou mathússe e toú Kyríu Mathítrie, ke tin progonikín apófasin aporrípsase, tis Apostólis kavhómeni élegon Eskýlefte o thánatos, igérthi Christós o Theós, thorúmenos to kósmo to méga éleos.

The Epistle – Galatians 1:11-19

Brethren, I would have you know that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when God who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son in me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

The Gospel – Matthew. 2:13-23

When the magi had departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there till I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." And he rose and took the child and his mother by night, and departed to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt have I called my son." Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the magi, was in a furious rage, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time which he had ascertained from the magi. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah: "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they were no more." But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." And he rose and took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus reigned over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. And he went and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, "He shall be called a Nazarene."



PLEASE JOIN US!



We welcome all Holy Apostles women to join Philoptochos in our mission to help those less fortunate.

Please consider joining Philoptochos. We are so grateful for those who can actively participate in our events, but we realize that this is not a possibility for everyone. Just by becoming a member, one is doing good. A portion of each member's dues stays here at Holy Apostles. These funds and proceeds from the Fashion Show are the primary sources which enable us to help others.

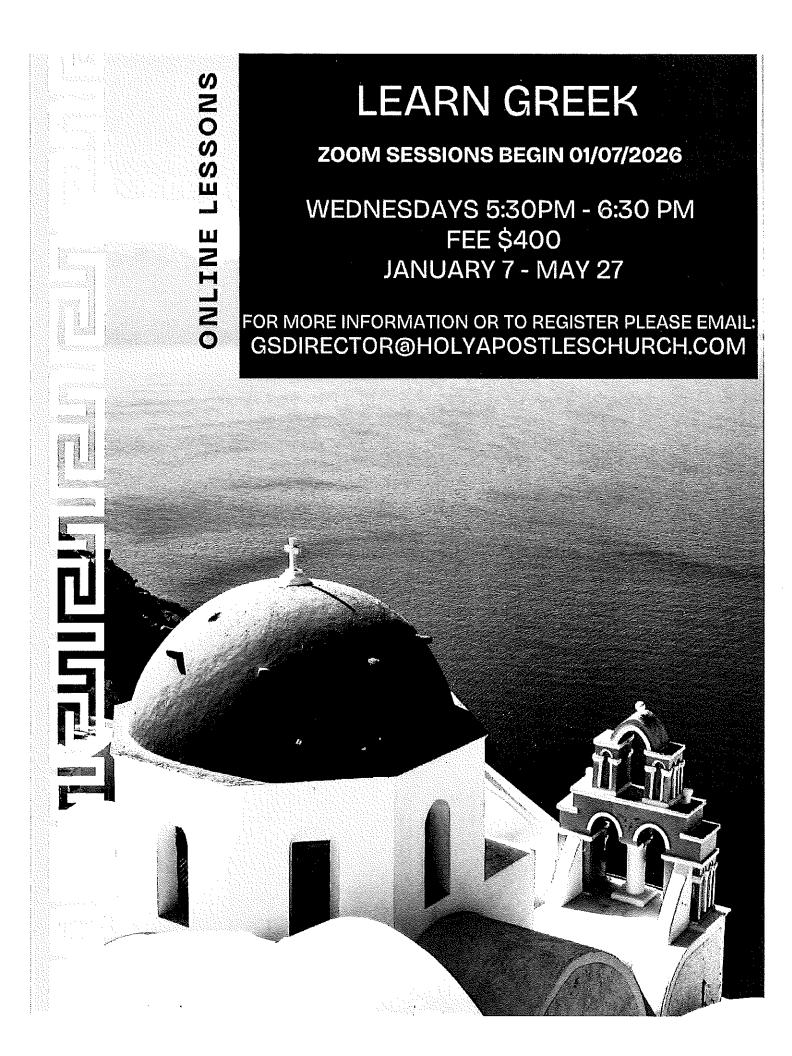
It is never too late! If you are interested in learning more about Philoptochos, please contact

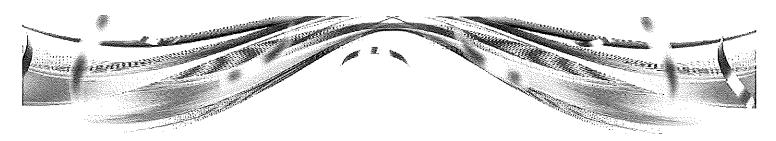
Maria Patt at philomembership@holyapostleschurch.com.

There are membership forms in the multipurpose room information tower and at the Welcome station. One may also join on-line from the Ministries page of our website.

Thank you for your support!

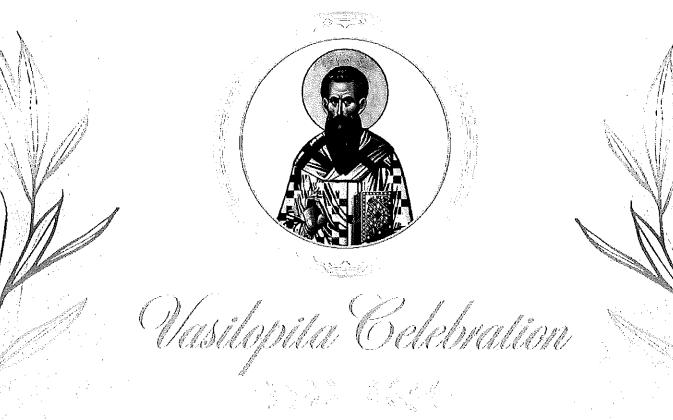






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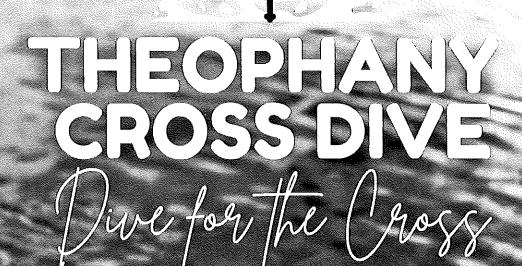
January 8 6:30 PM

Hosted by St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church 5649 N Sheridan Rd, Chicago, IL 60660

Rsep by Januay 4

Parish Reservations can be made by calling:

(773)-334-4515



OAK BROOK PARK DISTRICT

1450 Forest Gate Rd. Oak Brook, Illinois 60523

Sunday, January 11th 6–8 PM

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME

Please RSVP by emailing: olivia@assumptionchicago.org

FOOD | CROSS DIVE | SWIMMING



Tradition, Food, and Faith

Yiayia's Table is an family program where the wise hands and hearts of our Yiayia's teach the younger generations how to prepare traditional Greek foods while sharing the faith, stories, and love behind them.

DATE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 10, 2026

TIME: 12:00 -2:00PM

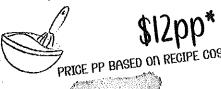
AGE: 6+

LOCATION: MULTIPURPOSE ROOM





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CALLING ALL YIAYIAS, NOUNAS, AND GREEK AUNTIES

YIAYIA'S TABLE IS SEEKING WARM, JOYFUL WOMEN
WHO WANT TO HELP TEACH GREEK COOKING TO OUR
YOUNGER GENERATIONS

WHO WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- WOMEN WHO ENJOY COOKING AND SHARING RECIPES
- ANYONE PASSIONATE ABOUT GREEK CULTURE, FAITH, AND TRADITIONS
- WANT TO TEACH THE YOUNGER GENERATIONS THROUGH HANDS-ON LEARNING
- BRING JOY, COMFORT, AND DELICIOUS FOOD TO OUR COMMUNITY
- NO PROFESSIONAL COOKING EXPERIENCE NEEDED JUST A BIG HEART!

WE WOULD BE HONORED TO HAVE YOU AT OUR TABLE

LET'S KEEP OUR GREEK TRADITIONS ALIVE — ONE RECIPE, ONE STORY, AND ONE YIAYIA AT A TIME FOR MORE INFORMATION:
NICOLEFALLAGGMAIL.COM CR 630-673-6635



Saturday, January 17

1:00-2:00 pm

Holy Apostles Multipurpose Room

We use koliva in our Memorial Services.
Want to learn the basics of making koliva?
Or looking to perfect your technique?
Join as we follow a recipe developed by our own Eleni Poteres.

SIGN UP IN THE WEEKLY EMAIL

QUESTIONS?
PARISHFAMILY@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM



Catered by Greek Islands

Send Inquiries to: Holyapostlesgodparentluncheon@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



Sermon Notes

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