

Weekly Bulletin

March 29, 2026

Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

WEEKLY BULLETIN www.holyapostleschurch.com

SUNDAY

8:15 a.m.
9:30 a.m.
Memorials:
Fellowship Hour:

MARCH 29

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
Nora Kyriacou, Constance Poulos
Potluck: Thank you to everyone who contributed

MONDAY

6:00 p.m.

MARCH 30

Great Compline

TUESDAY

4:30 p.m.
5:30 p.m.
6:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

MARCH 31

Greek School
Greek School 6th Grade Parents Meeting
GOYA/Jr GOYA Confession and Palm Folding
YAL Confession and Palm Folding
Philoptochos Board Meeting
Pan Orthodox Akathist Hymn: See flyer for locations.

WEDNESDAY

2:00 p.m.
5:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m.

APRIL 1

Palm Folding and Fellowship
9th Hour/Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
Pre-Sanctified Dinner Hosted by the Brotherhood of St. Peter the Apostle
Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

1:00 p.m.
4:30 p.m.
7:30 p.m.

APRIL 2

Bible Study
Greek School (Grandparents Day)
YAL Bible Study

FRIDAY

5:30 p.m.

APRIL 3

9th Hour/Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
10:45 a.m.
11:00 a.m.
5:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m.

APRIL 4: LAZARUS SATURDAY

Orthros
Divine Liturgy
GOYA/Jr. GOYA Pascha Prep and Lunch
Philoptochos Food Sale Drive-Thru Pickup
Vespers
Vespers Potluck Dinner

Epistle Reading – Hebrews 9:11-14

Reader: Ellia Gryfakis

Gospel Reading – Mark 10: 32-45

Sunday School: There is no Sunday School this week. We will see the children again next week on Palm Sunday.

Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode 1.

The stone having been sealed by the Pharisees and chief priests, * and Your all-immaculate body being guarded by soldiers, * You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. * Then the powers of the heavens cried out to You, O Giver of Life, and shouted, * “Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! * Glory to Your eternal rule! * Glory to Your plan for saving us, only benevolent God!”

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον Ἦχος α΄.

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι Ζωοδότα· Δόξα τῇ ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

Tou líthou sfraghisthéntos ipó ton Ioudáion; ke stratiotón filassónton to áchrandon sou sóma; anéstis triímeros Sotír, doróumenos to kósmo tin zo-ín. Diá toúto e Dinámis ton ouranón evóon si Zoödóta· Dóxa ti anastási sou Christe; dóxa ti vasilíia sou; dóxa ti oikonomía sou, mónē Filánthrope.

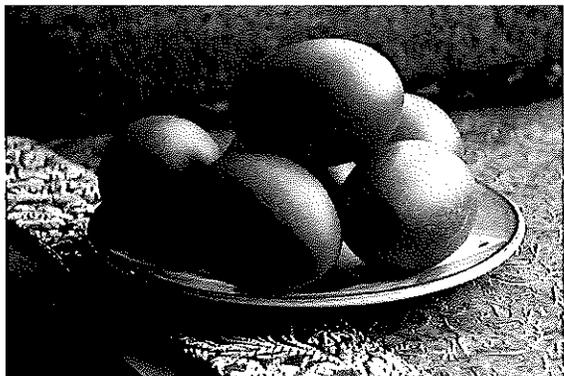
The Epistle – Hebrews 9:11-14

Brethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

The Gospel – Mark 10: 32-45

At that time, Jesus took his twelve disciples, and he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise.” And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What do you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” And they said to him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Grades 6th-12th Pascha Prep: Saturday, April 4th, after the 9:00AM Liturgy at 10:30AM, you are invited to help the church finish folding palms, cut palms, and assist in any other tasks the church needs. We will end with lunch around 11:45am. I need a headcount for lunch so please RSVP by April 1st if you will be at lunch to Alexa at YouthDirector@holypostleschurch.com.



Red Eggs for Pascha: Philoptochos is once again asking parishioners to donate red eggs so that they may be wrapped in tulle for distribution at our Anastasi and Agape Easter services. Please bring boiled, unrefrigerated red eggs to the multi-purpose room no later than Holy Friday morning. (April 10). The eggs will be wrapped in tulle after the Royal Hours service on Holy Friday morning. All parishioners are welcome to assist with the wrapping.

Caregivers Support Group: Please join us on Tuesday, April 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 you will join us.

Fanari Scholarships Available: Fanari Summer Camp sign up is open and spots are filling up fast! This is a wonderful opportunity to engage Orthodox Christian youth in an exciting, Christ-centered camp experience that brings them closer to God, the Church, and their community. Families registering for Fanari Camp this year who need financial assistance should note that, in addition to applying for a camp grant, the Holy Apostles Philoptochos Society awards scholarships each year to two campers. Scholarship consideration is handled directly through the camper's registration.



Sign up for Junior Olympics! Holy Apostles had a great showing last year with fun memories made and a lot of medals won! For those who are not familiar, this is a Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago event that occurs over the **Memorial Day weekend**, with competition opportunities for kids aged 7-18 ranging from team sports, individual sports, and board games. It is a great opportunity for fellowship and exercise to jump start the summer season. Please sign up here! Reach out to the athletic director, Andrea San Luis, at athletics@holypostleschurch.com.



Project Mexico: We hope that many of you have been inspired by the information being distributed about Project Mexico and will consider joining the team. This is a life changing experience that we hope you will consider. Continuing donations are greatly appreciated in order to cover some expenses for the team. Please feel free to donate in cash, leave or send a check with PROJECT MEXICO in the memo line to the church office: 2501 Wolf Road, Westchester, Illinois 60154 or donate online.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2026

Lazurus Saturday, April 4

8:00 AM Orthros | 9:00 AM Divine
Liturgy
5:00 PM—Vespers

Palm Sunday, April 5

8:15 AM Orthros | 9:30 AM Divine
Liturgy
7:00 PM—Bridegroom Service

Holy Monday, April 6

9:00 AM—Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
7:00 PM—Bridegroom Service

Holy Tuesday, April 7

9:00 AM—Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
7:00 PM—Bridegroom Service

Holy Wednesday, April 8

10:00 AM—Holy Unction 3:30 PM—Holy Unction
7:00 PM—Orthros of Holy Thursday/ Annoting

Holy Thursday, April 9

6:30 AM—Vesperal Divine Liturgy
7:00 PM—Service of the Twelve Holy Gospels

Holy Friday, April 10

9:00 AM—Royal Hours
3:00 PM—Apokathelosis/Taking Down from the Cross
7:00 PM—Lamentations/Orthros of Holy Saturday

Holy Saturday, April 11

9:00 AM—First Resurrection Vesperal Divine Liturgy
11:00 PM—Resurrection Service/Paschal Divine Liturgy

Great and Holy Pascha, April 12

11:00 AM Agape Vespers



Palm Folding

& Fellowship

Wednesday April 1st,

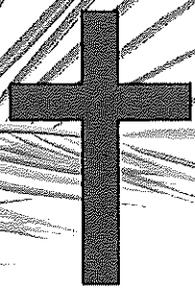
2:00-3:30 pm

Lenten Snacks provided!

Sign up in weekly email or scan the QR code



Questions? parishfamily@holypostleschurch.com



JR. GOYA
GOYA
YAL

DINNER,
PALM FOLDING
& CONFESSION

Tuesday, March 31, 2026

6:30 pm-8:30pm Youth

7:00 pm-8:30pm YAL

RSVP by March 30th to Alexa at
YouthDirector@holypostleschurch.com

Good Friday

Retreat

All children in Pre-k (age 3) through 5th grade are welcome to join us for our Annual Holy Friday Retreat on April 10th. We will begin after Royal Hours, at 10:45 AM and will end at 2:15 PM. All ages of volunteers are welcome! Anyone in 6th through 12th grade are encouraged to sign up to help with flowers, candles, eggs, and more! Any questions or if you need a note excusing you from school, please email Alexa at youthdirector@holypostleschurch.com

Please RSVP via QR Code:



Memorial Luminaria

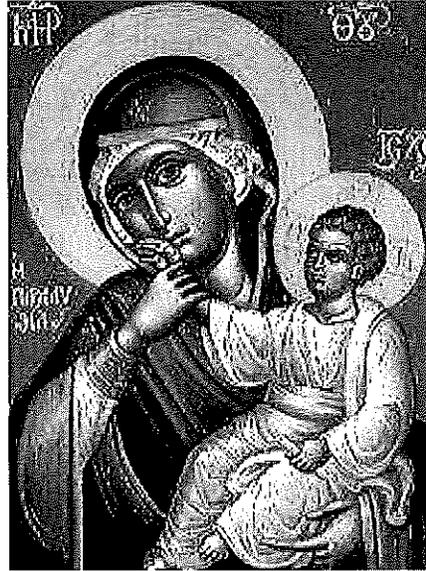
If you would like to honor a loved one with a luminary on Holy Friday, please submit your names by Sunday, March 29 using the QR code below, the link in the weekly email, our website, or the sign-up sheet in the multipurpose room after Divine Liturgy on Sundays beginning March 1st.

This year, all proceeds will be donated to the Cardinal Bernardin Cancer Center in memory of Elaine Katzioris.



PAN - ORTHODOX AKATHIST HYMN

Sponsored by the Orthodox Christian Clergy Association of Greater Chicago



**TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026
7:00 PM**

2 SERVICES WILL TAKE PLACE; NORTH SIDE AND SOUTH SIDE:

NORTH:

**Holy Resurrection
Serbian Orthodox Church
3062 W Palmer Square
Chicago, Illinois**

**Homilist: V. Rev. Stavrophor
Dr. Milos Vesin**

Professor of St. Sava Orthodox School of Theology

Responses by
The Pan-Orthodox Choir of Greater Chicago

SOUTH:

**Ss. Peter and Paul
Ukrainian Orthodox Church
8410 131st St.
Palos Park, Illinois**

Homilist: V. Rev. Fr. Mousa Haddad

Pastor, St. Mary Orthodox Church,
Palos Heights, IL

Responses by
Choir of Ss. Peter and Paul Church

ALL ARE WELCOME! COFFEE FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWS SERVICE

Saturday Vespers Potluck

First Saturday of Each Month

2025

- * August 2*
- * September 6
- * October 4
- * November 1
- * December 6 *

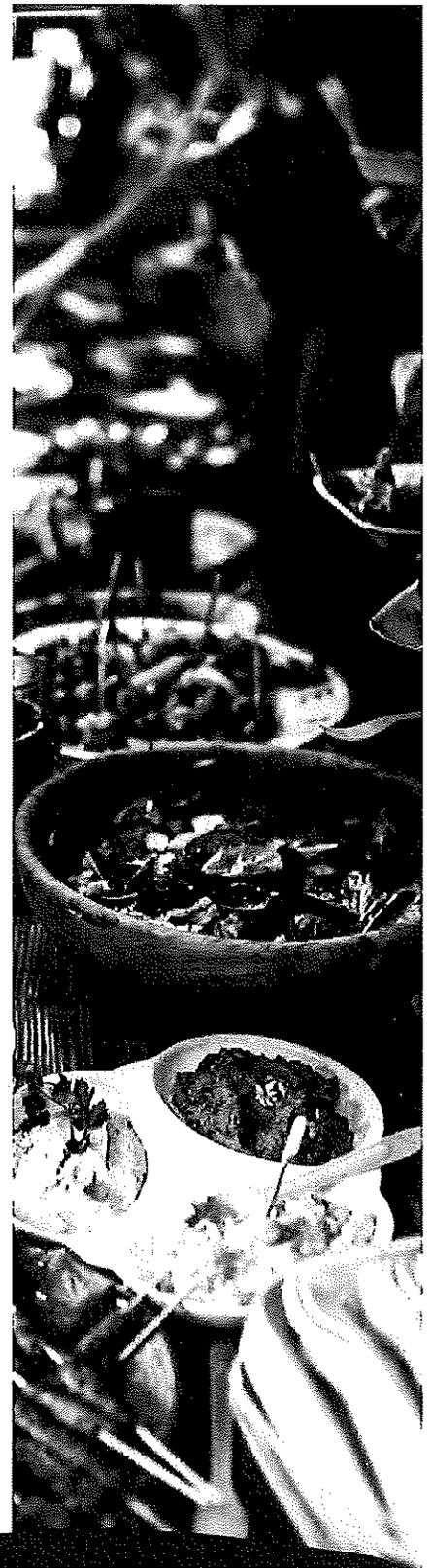
2026

- * January 3
- * February 7
- * March 7*
- * April 4*
- * May 2

**On these days, please bring fasting-friendly dishes*

Vespers Service Begins at 5:00 PM
Potluck Immediately Following
at 6:00 PM

Sign up each month using
the link in the weekly email
or scan the QR code



QUESTIONS?

parishfamily@holypostleschurch.com



EASTER LAMBATHES SALE

Purchase your decorated Easter
Lambathes after Sunday liturgies
3/15 thru 4/5 and following
Holy Unction services on Holy
Wednesday, April 8th

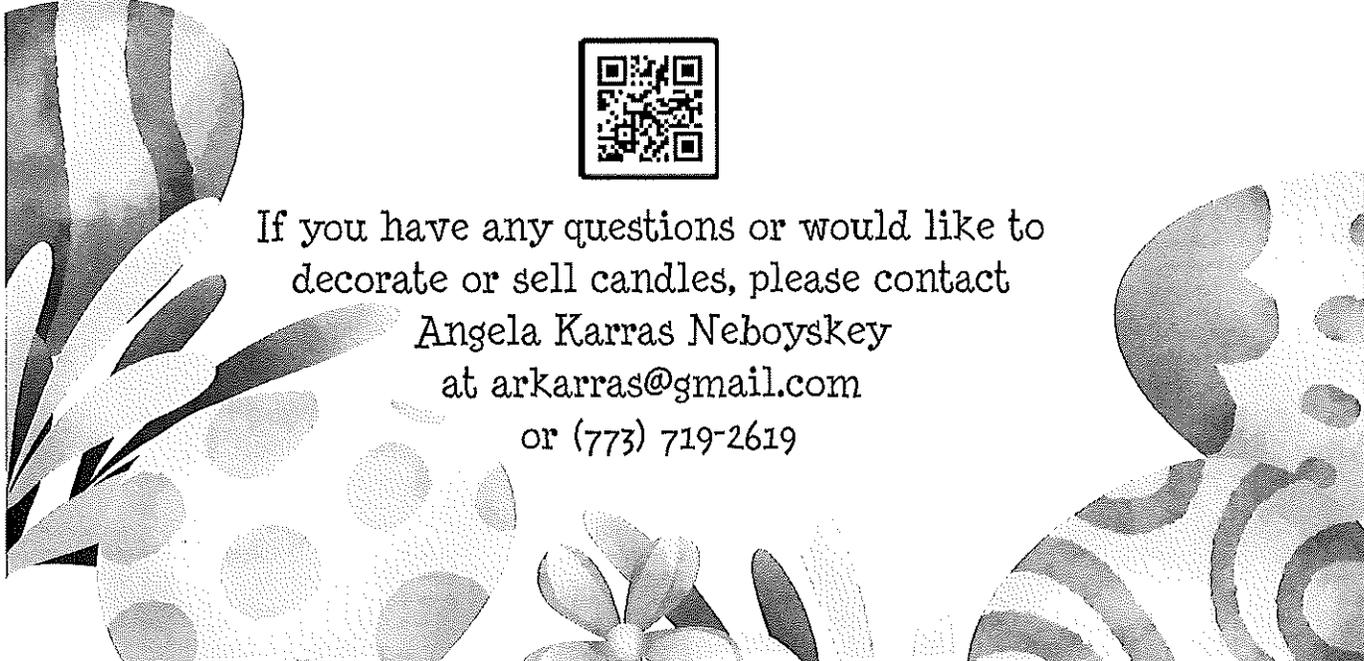
Candles are \$15 each and make
beautiful gifts for children/
godchildren

Cash - check - online

www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501

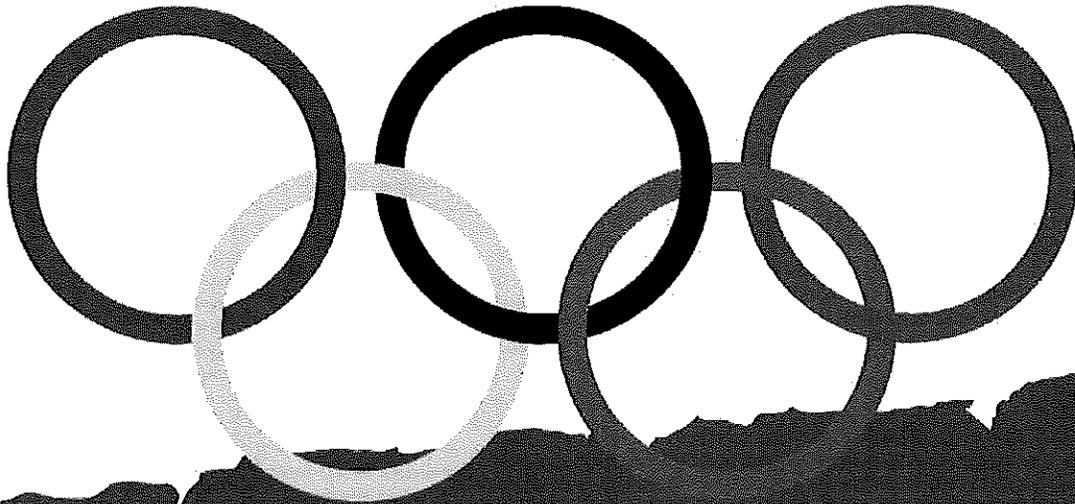


If you have any questions or would like to
decorate or sell candles, please contact
Angela Karras Neboyskey
at arkarras@gmail.com
or (773) 719-2619





REGISTER HERE!



SAVE THE DATE

JUNIOR OLYMPICS



MAY 23 & 24

**SS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN
PALOS HILLS, IL**

AGES 7-18



PILLARS + ROCKS

Seniors, please join us at Koukla's Kafenio!

Date: Thursday, April 30th

Time: 12:00pm – 3:00pm

Place: Holy Apostles multi-purpose room

For: Lunch and Entertainment



Live Greek Music!



Grecian Formula, Chicago's Premier Greek Band
will perform all your favorites!

RSVP by April 23rd to Cathy Magas (630) 941-8448

We will be collecting items for the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans.

If you'd like to donate, the following items are needed:

Toiletries, hand soap, bars of soap, body wash, deodorant, toothpaste, etc.



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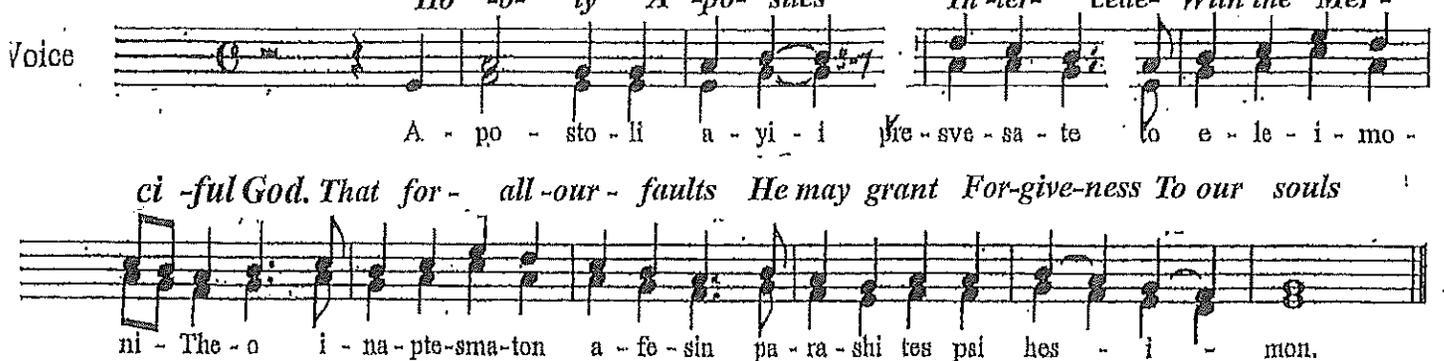
O Monoyenis Yios – Hymn of Justinian

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

Anastassion

Ho -o- ly A -po- stles In -ter- cede- With the Mer -

Voice The musical notation is written on a single staff with a treble clef and a common time signature. It consists of two lines of music. The first line contains the lyrics 'Ho -o- ly A -po- stles In -ter- cede- With the Mer -' and 'A - po - sto - li a - yi - i pre - sve - sa - te to e - le - i - mo -'. The second line contains the lyrics 'ci -ful God. That for - all - our - faults He may grant For - give - ness To our souls' and 'ni - The - o i - na - pte - sma - ton a - fe - sin pa - ra - shi tes pai hes - i - mon.' The music is a simple, melodic line with some rests and ties.

A - po - sto - li a - yi - i pre - sve - sa - te to e - le - i - mo -

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Sermon Notes

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