

Weekly Bulletin

April 12, 2026

Great and Holy Pascha

SUNDAY

12:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

MONDAY

TUESDAY

1:00 p.m.

4:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

4:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY

1:00 p.m.

4:30 p.m.

6:15 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY

8:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

SATURDAY

11:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

APRIL 12: GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA

Paschal Divine Liturgy

Agape Vespers

APRIL 13: BRIGHT MONDAY

OFFICE CLOSED

APRIL 14: BRIGHT TUESDAY

Caregivers Support Meeting

Greek School

GOYA Bright Tuesday Dinner: LaBriola in Oak Brook

Neighborhood Bible Study: LaGrange

APRIL 15: BRIGHT WEDNESDAY

Ellinomatheia

Jr GOYA Bright Wednesday Dinner in MPR

APRIL 16: BRIGHT THURSDAY

Bible Study

Greek School

Neolea Dance Troupe

Parish Council Meeting

YAL Bright Thursday Dinner

APRIL 17: BRIGHT FRIDAY

FEAST DAY OF THE THEOTOKOS THE LIFEGIVING SPRING

Orthros

Divine Liturgy

APRIL 18: BRIGHT SATURDAY

Baptism: Luca, son of Jim and Megan Kritsas

Sponsor: Vasili Angelos

Vespers

Epistle Reading during Paschal Divine Liturgy: Acts 1:1-8

Gospel Reading during Paschal Divine Liturgy: John 1:1-17

Gospel Reading during Sunday's Agape Vespers: John 20:19 – 25

In addition to English and Greek, Sunday's Gospel will be shared in these languages:

1. Modern Greek - Alex Magdalinos
2. Latin - Eli Sparks
3. French - Demetra Theotikos
4. German - Lena Theotikos
5. Russian - Sophia Forero
6. Spanish - Michael Govostis
7. Hungarian - Sophia Forero
8. Italian - Alex Magdalinos

9. Albanian - Sara Doka
10. Ukrainian - Angelina Yushchuk
11. Arabic - Katie Berg
12. Japanese - Marianna Georgiou
13. Swahili - Eleni Karamatskos
14. ASL (American Sign Language) -
Kathy Karagiannis

Apolytikion Mode pl. 1.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

Ἀναστάσιμον Ἕχος πλ. α΄.

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζωὴν χαρισάμενος.

Hristos anesti ek nekron, thanato thanaton patisas, ke tis en tis mnimasi, zo-in harisamenos.

The Epistle (Paschal Divine Liturgy) – Acts 1:1-8

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commandment through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. To them he presented himself alive after his passion by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. And while staying with them he charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me, for John baptized with water, but before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom of Israel?” He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth.”

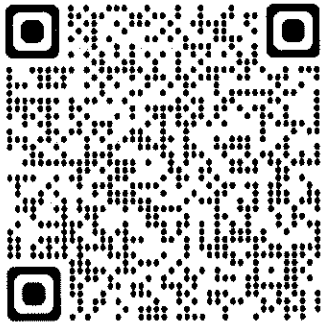
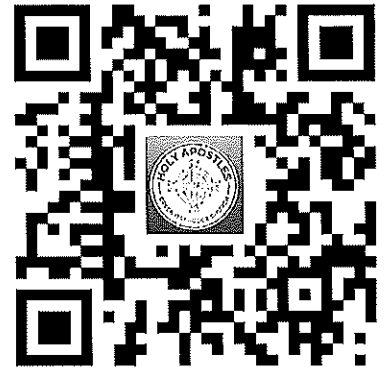
The Gospel (Paschal Divine Liturgy) – John 1:1-17

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light. That was the true light that enlightens every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. He came to his own home, and his own people received him not. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. (John bore witness to him, and cried, “This was he of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me ranks before me, for he was before me.’”) And from his fullness have we all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

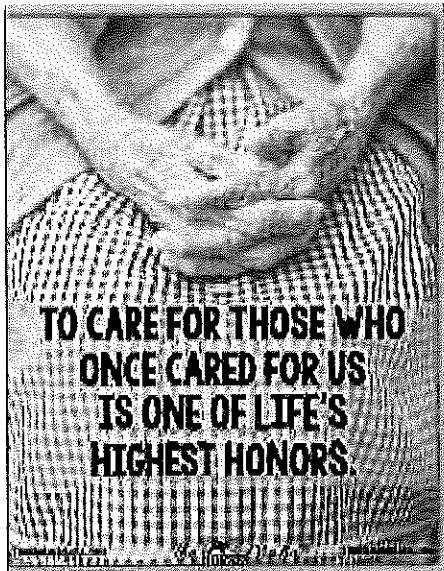
The Gospel (Sunday’s Agape Vespers) - John 20:19-25

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

PushPay is our new electronic payment system: Like some other churches in our diocese, we have adopted PushPay as a new, more user friendly electronic payment system. You can pay for candles, tray donations, stewardship, and more with one time or recurring payments. It will initially require your name, email and phone number, but this will not be required for future payments. More features will be unveiled in the near future. **Please scan the QR code to the right** to make a payment. Please reach out to the office with any questions: office@holyapostleschurch.com.



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 with any questions at athletics@holyapostleschurch.com.



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.

Therapy Dog Service Available: Andrea San Luis, who works part time in the church office, and her dog, Yogi Bear are a certified Therapy Team with Alliance of Therapy Dogs. This is a free service where they visit people who could use the comfort from spending time with a calm dog. Yogi Bear is a medium sized hypoallergenic Australian Labradoodle. He has experience visiting with children, people with disabilities, nursing homes residents, and people with dementia. Not all situations are eligible for visits. If you are interested in learning more, contact the church office.

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 to be part of this life changing experience. Continuing donations are greatly appreciated in order to cover some expenses for the team. Please see the flyer for how you can donate.



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.

SCAN HERE

TO PAY FOR:

- CANDLES
- TRAY DONATIONS
- PASCHA OFFERING
- 2026 STEWARDSHIP



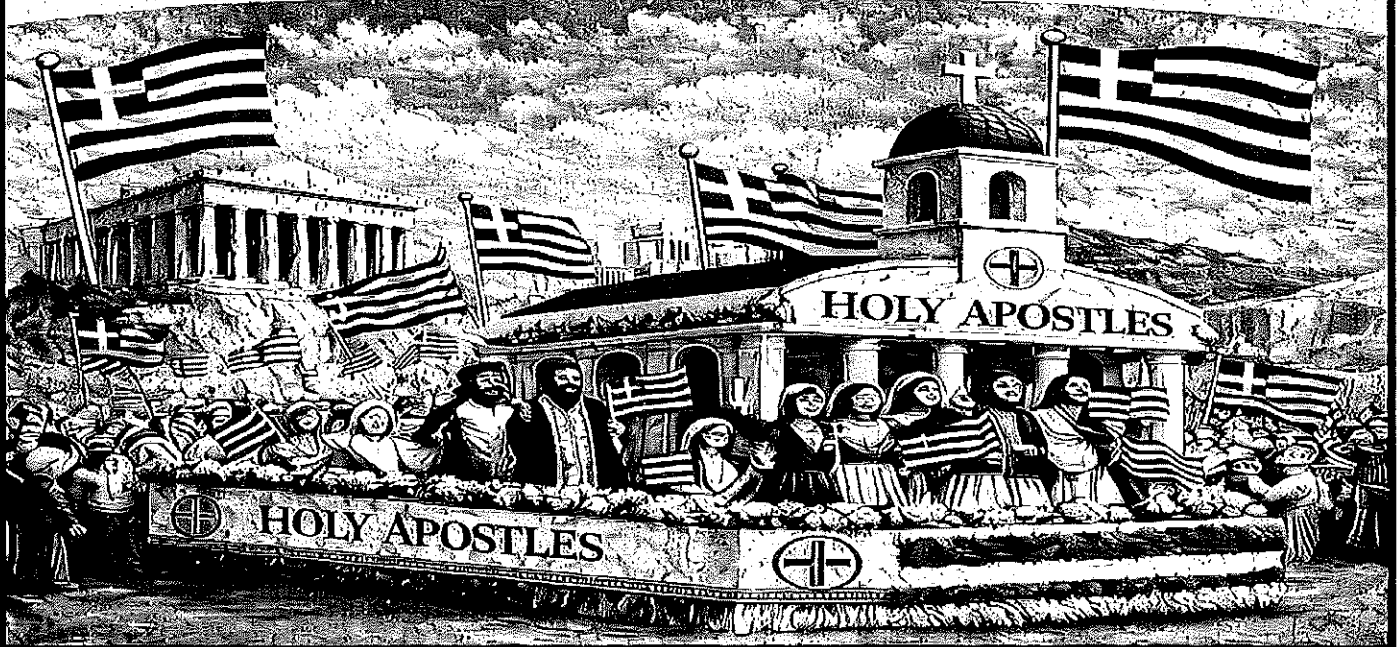
PUSHPAY IS A NEW PAYMENT PLATFORM FOR HOLY APOSTLES (ALSO USED AT ST. NECTARIOS AND ASCENSION GOC). OUR CURRENT SYSTEM (VANCO) IS STILL FULLY FUNCTIONAL. NO CHANGES ARE REQUIRED IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY MAKING PAYMENTS THROUGH VANCO. PLEASE EMAIL US WITH ANY QUESTIONS

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COME MARCH WITH US

April 19th

Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church



Join our Holy Apostles community as we march all together to celebrate Hellenism, our faith, and the spirit of 1821 on

April 19th for the

GREEK INDEPENDENCE PARADE

All are invited to march with us!

WHAT TO WEAR

- Blue & white attire
- Traditional Greek costumes
- Holy Apostles gear

WHAT TO BRING

- Greek flags 
- Your loudest OPA!

📍 Meeting Spot: S Halsted St & Washington by 2 PM

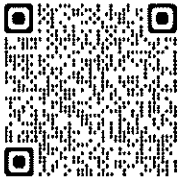
🚗 UIC FREE PARKING @ 760 W Taylor St • 11AM-5PM

After we are done marching, enjoy the rest of the parade, the AGORA market 12-6, & eat before or after in Greektown.

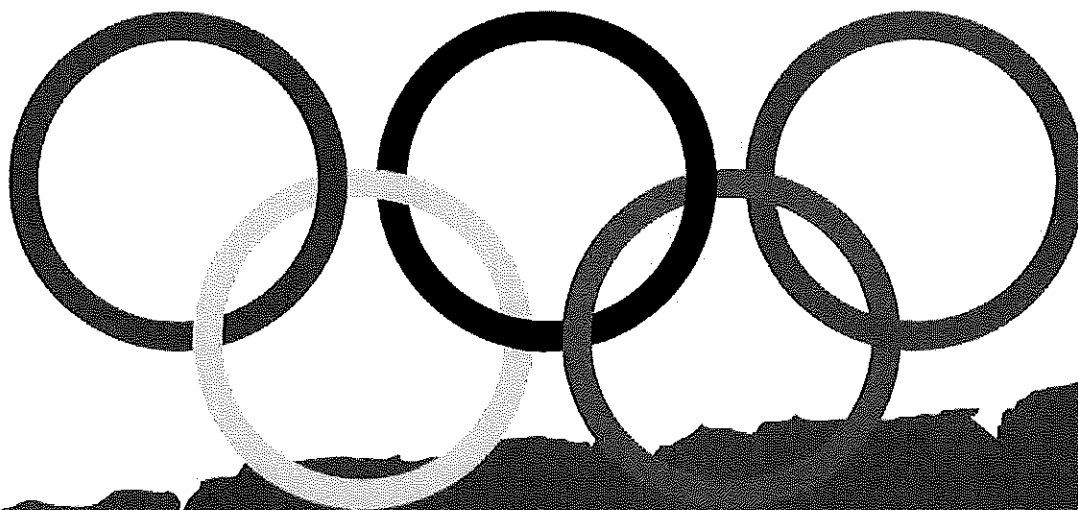
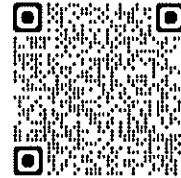
We are so excited for you to come march with us!

We are a big church & should have a big presence!

Any questions: Tia Angelos 312-504-8427



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!

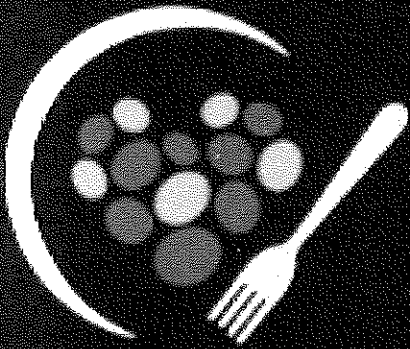
RSVP by April 23rd to Cathy Magas (630) 941-8448

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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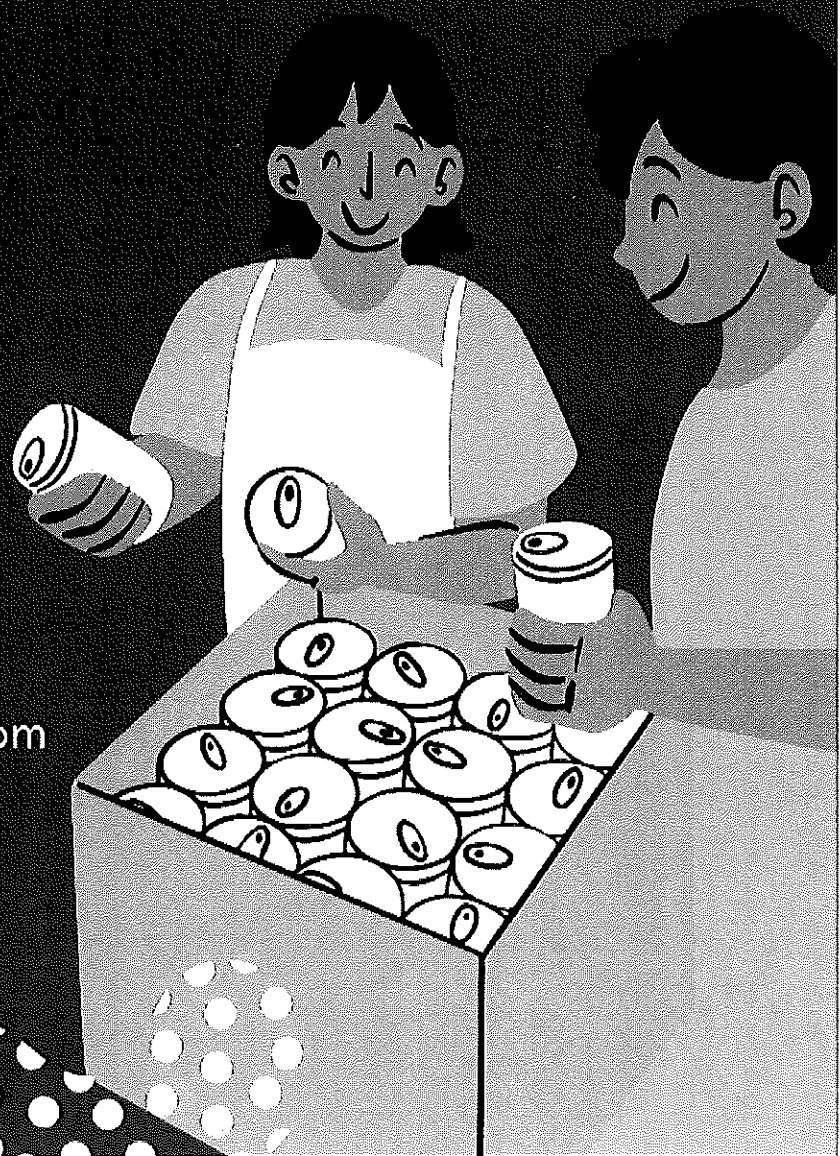
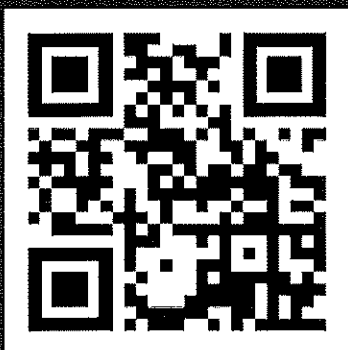
WESTCHESTER FOOD PANTRY

Saturday, May 2nd
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sign up deadline
April 25th

Sign up with the link in your
weekly email or scan the QR

Questions?
parishfamily@holyapostleschurch.com



*POISED FOR SUCCESS
CLOTHING DRIVE*



Philoptochos will be collecting
new or gently used
professional/business casual clothing
May 3rd – 17th
for Poised for Success.

Accepting dresses, pant suits, blazers,
cardigans, pants, blouses, jewelry,
handbags, shoes, belts and
winter items (coats, scarves, gloves).
All items must be clean, in new condition
and on hangers.



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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

Anastassiou

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

Voice

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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