

**Weekly Bulletin**

**April 26, 2026**

**Sunday of the  
Myrrh-Bearing Women**

**SUNDAY**

8:15 a.m. Orthros  
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Sunday School following Holy Communion)  
Memorials: Antigone Cardaras, Eleni Giannakopoulos, Harry Theodore  
Fellowship Hour: In loving memory of Eleni Giannakopoulos, hosted by her parents and siblings.

**TUESDAY**

4:30 p.m. Greek School  
7:00 p.m. GOYA

**WEDNESDAY**

1:00 p.m. Bereavement Group Meeting  
4:00 p.m. Ellinomatheia  
7:00 p.m. Parish Family Ministry Meeting

**THURSDAY**

12:00 p.m. Koukla's Kafenio Luncheon  
4:30 p.m. Greek School  
6:15 p.m. Greek School Staff Meeting  
6:15 p.m. Neolea Dance Troupe  
7:30 p.m. YAL Bible Study

**FRIDAY**

7:00 p.m. Small Paraklesis

**SATURDAY**

8:30 a.m. Westchester Food Pantry Volunteer Day  
3:00 p.m. Wedding: Jonathan Tringali and Eleni Kokinis  
Sponsor: Jorie Stavropoulos  
5:00 p.m. Vespers  
6:00 p.m. Vespers Potluck Dinner

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**Epistle Reading: Acts 6:1 – 7**

**Reader: Ellia Gryfakis**

**Gospel Reading: Mark 15:43 – 16:8**

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**Father George is leading a Metropolis of Chicago Altar Boy Retreat at Hellenic College Holy Cross in Brookline, Massachusetts this weekend.**

**Attention Youth (Ages 3–18):** For *Youth Proclaim Christ Sunday*, all children and teens are warmly invited to come forward to the altar during the Divine Liturgy to help lead our parish in the Lord's Prayer. We look forward to seeing our young people take part in this special moment of worship!

**A few notes from Sunday School:**

- The 3rd grade class is sitting in the front row today, and 2nd grade will next week.
- May 17 is the last day of Sunday School

**Congratulations!** Thomas Tselepis and Anastasia Mandelaris entered their winning parish oratorical submissions to the Metropolis Festival, held last weekend in Minnesota. Thomas's poem placed first in the junior division! You can read their writing, as well as the other Holy Apostles's students', in the Youth Sunday booklet.

## **Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode 2.**

When You descended unto Death, O Lord, You who are immortal Life put Hades to death, by the lightning of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the hosts of heaven sang aloud to You, "O Christ God, Giver of life, glory to You!"

### **Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. ᾠχος β΄.**

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἢ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας, τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκράυγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Óte katílthes pros ton thánaton, i zo-í i athánatos, τότε ton ádin enékrosas, ti astrapí tis Theótitos. Óte the ke tus tethneótas, ek ton katachthoníon anéstisias, pásse e dynámeis ton epuraníon ekrávgazon: Zoöódota Hristé, o Theós imón, dóxa si.

### **The Epistle – Acts 6:1 – 7**

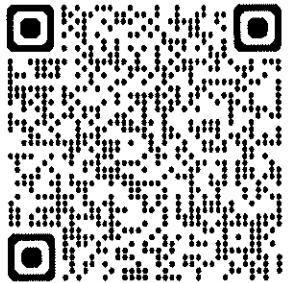
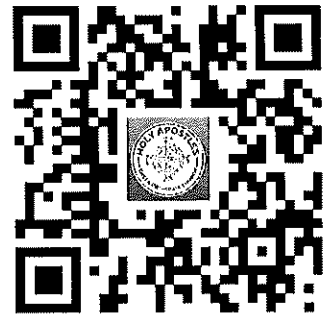
In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

### **The Gospel – Mark 15:43 – 16:8**

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**PushPay is our new electronic payment system, parishioner database and communications platform:**

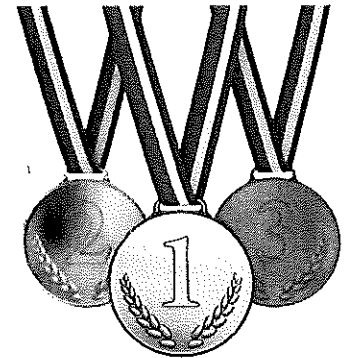
All electronic payments made to the church will go through PushPay now, including candles, tray donations, stewardship, and more with one time or recurring payments. It will initially require your name, email and phone number, but this will not be required for future payments. More features will be unveiled in the near future. As we roll out the new features, parishioners will receive emails from PushPay. If you have any questions about these communications, please reach out to the office: [office@holyapostleschurch.com](mailto:office@holyapostleschurch.com).



**Sign up for Junior Olympics by May 1!**

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](mailto:athletics@holyapostleschurch.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 to be part of this life changing experience. Continuing donations are greatly appreciated in order to cover some expenses for the team. You can donate with a check made out to Holy Apostles with "Project Mexico" in the memo line, or online with the **PushPay QR code above**.



**Poised for Success Clothing Drive:** Philoptochos will be collecting new or gently used professional/business casual clothing **May 3-17** for Poised for Success. We are 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.**

**Feed the Hungry:** On Monday, May 11th at 3:00 pm we will be preparing sack lunches in the multipurpose room at church. We will distribute the lunches the following day on Tuesday, May 12th at the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Chicago. If you are interested in helping out either day, please contact (call or text) Anne Theophilos at 630-460-0712.

**34th Annual IOCC Chicago Grand Banquet:** Holy Apostles has purchased a table for this fundraiser that will take place on Thursday, May 7 at the Empress Banquets (200 E. Lake Street, Addison, IL 60101). Cocktails are at 6:00 p.m. and dinner is at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to join our table, please write a check to Holy Apostles for \$125 per person. Contact the office with questions: [office@holyapostleschurch.com](mailto:office@holyapostleschurch.com).

JR. GOYA & GOYA

# GREEK BBQ

Gyros- Souvlaki- Greek Dance

**TUESDAY  
MAY 5**

**6:30PM-  
8:30PM**

**AT HOLY APOSTLES**

**PLEASE BRING DRINKS  
OR DESSERTS TO SHARE!**

PLEASE RSVP TO ALEXA AT:

[YOUTHDIRECTOR@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM](mailto:YOUTHDIRECTOR@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM)



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# HOLY APOSTLES

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## GROUP OUTING TO



**THURSDAY,  
JUNE 11th, 6:40 PM**

**CHICAGO VS ATLANTA  
WHITE SOX BRAVES**

**AT GUARANTEED RATE FIELD**

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**\$25 PER SEAT IN  
SECTION 109**

**\$20 PARKING SPOT  
IN RED LOT**

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**EACH TICKET COMES WITH A FREE JERSEY!**



**LIMITED TICKETS TO SIT TOGETHER  
AVAILABLE, PURCHASE ASAP!  
TICKET PURCHASING DEADLINE ON  
MAY 8th**



**SIGN UP USING THE QR CODE OR THE  
LINK IN YOUR WEEKLY EMAIL**

**QUESTIONS? EMAIL [PARISHFAMILY@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM](mailto:PARISHFAMILY@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM)**

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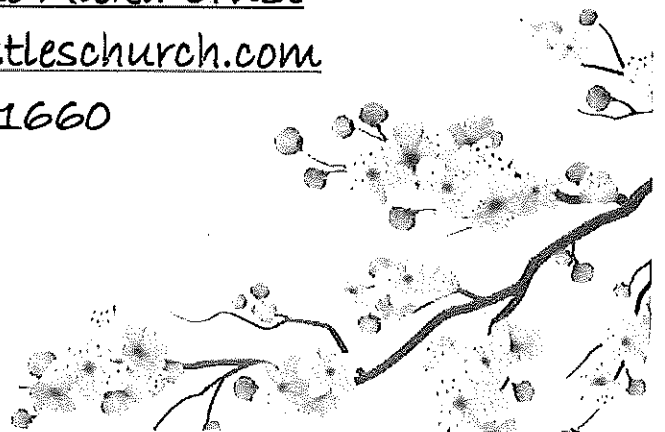
# Philoptochos General Meeting

Wednesday, May 20th @ 6:30 pm  
Holy Apostles - Multi-purpose Room.  
Refreshments & Appetizers will be served

*Special Guest Speaker -*  
*Nancy Shepherd, Love Your Neighbor*  
[www.loveyourneighbor.love](http://www.loveyourneighbor.love)

Love Your Neighbor is a non-profit organization that transforms and restores the lives of those transitioning out of hard circumstances. Local non-profits refer individuals and families to the program who assist in furnishing/setting up new homes for these people in need

Please RSVP by 5/15 to Aleka Ernst  
[philotreasurer@holypostleschurch.com](mailto:philotreasurer@holypostleschurch.com)  
or (630) 561-1660




# 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

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Voice 

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## Sermon Notes

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