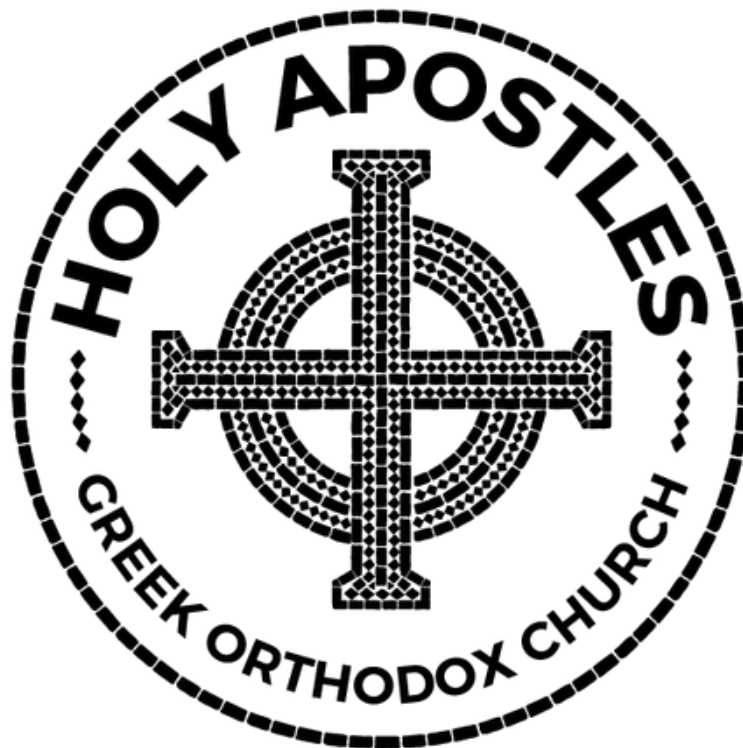


WEEKLY BULLETIN



SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20- Feast Day of St. Eustathios

8:15 a.m. Orthros

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Sunday School following Communion)

Memorial: Ioanna Burtzos

Fellowship Hour: Hosted by Fosses and Lozano families in loving memory of Ioanna Burtzos

40 Day Blessing: Eleanor, Daughter of Alex Sweeney

12:30 p.m. Baptism: Tyler, Son of Andrew & Lauren Bogren

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

4:30 p.m. Hellenic Academy

6:30 p.m. Philoptochos General Meeting (Offsite at The Purple Pig, Oak Brook)

7:00 p.m. GOYA Scavenger Hunt Meeting

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

10:00 a.m. TOTS

1:00 p.m. Church Staff Meeting

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

6:45 a.m. Brotherhood of St. Peter the Apostle

1:00 p.m. Bible Study

4:30 p.m. Hellenic Academy

6:15 p.m. Hellenic Academy Staff Meeting

7:15 p.m. Discoveries in Orthodoxy

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26- Feast Day of St. John the Theologian

8:00 a.m. Orthros

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

10:00 a.m. GOYA/Jr. GOYA Car Wash

11:00 a.m. Baptism

5:00 p.m. Vespers

Epistle ~ Galatians 2:16-20

Gospel ~ Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

Resurrectional Apolytikion Grave Mode

You destroyed death by Your Cross, You opened Paradise to the Robber. You turned the Myrrh-bearing Women's lament into joy, and You commanded Your Apostles to preach that You rose, O Christ God, granting the world the great mercy.

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. Ἦχος βαρύς.

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον· ἠνέωξας τῷ ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον· τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρῆνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Ka-TEH-lee-sas to Stav-RO soo ton THA-na-ton, ee-NEH-o-xas to lees-TEE ton Pa-RA-thee-son, ton Mee-ro-FO-ron ton THREE-non meh-TEH-va-les, keh tees sees A-po-STO-lees kee-REET-teen eh-PEH-ta-xas, OH-tee a-NEH-stees Khree-STEh o Theh-OS, pa-REH-khon to KOS-mo to MEH-ga EH-leh-os.

Epistle ~ Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Gospel ~Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

Parish Field Trip To the Hellenic Museum

All are welcome to join us on Thursday, October 1, for a parish trip to the National Hellenic Museum to see “The Odyssey: Reimagined.” The bus will depart Holy Apostles at 10:00 a.m., followed by lunch in Greektown—please bring money for lunch. Transportation is generously sponsored by the Hellenic Foundation, and museum tour fees are provided by Holy Apostles. To reserve your spot, please contact the Church Office at (708) 562-2744.

Adult Greek Lessons

Holy Apostles Hellenic Academy is offering Adult Greek Conversation Classes for ages 13 and up on Thursdays from 7:00–8:00 p.m., October through May. All levels are welcome; tuition is \$500 for the full session—call the Church Office at 708-562-2744 or email gsdirector@holyapostleschurch.com for more information.

Ellinomatheia Classes

Holy Apostles Hellenic Academy is offering Ellinomatheia A1 Level Greek Classes for children ages 9–13, held Thursdays from 6:00–7:00 p.m. Students will build practical Greek skills in speaking, listening, reading, and writing while preparing for the official Ellinomatheia A1 exam; tuition is \$500 for the full session.



Cooks Wanted: Looking for a way to give back and serve God? We need 15 volunteers to help bring or cook one dinner for the JOY ministry (children ages 5-12). We meet every 1st and 3rd Tuesday with about 20-30 children per meeting. Please contact Alexa at Youthdirector@holyapostleschurch.com if interested in learning more!

Help Wanted for Fall Festival on Sunday, October 4: We are in the early stages of planning a Fall Festival and Chicago Bears Watch Party on Sunday, October 4, immediately following Divine Liturgy. If you have some great ideas for fun activities, or are simply looking to help that day, we could use your help! Please email us at office@holyapostleschurch.com if interested. Teenagers can use this opportunity to earn service hours.

Men's Camping Trip

Join the Brotherhood of St. Peter the Apostle for a men's camping trip at White Pines State Park, October 23–25. The cost is \$20 per person (food not included), and high school boys may attend with their fathers; RSVP to Peter Savas at 708-203-0383.



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YOUTH REGISTRATION

Sign up all of your children for this
year's youth ministries using this
one simple form! Please sign up
TODAY!



Questions? Email Alexa at
YouthDirector@holypostleschurch.com

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Home: The latest announcements



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Media: Publications, livestream, Digital Chant Stand, and social media links.



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CHOOSE YOUR APP SETTINGS

- Decide what notifications you want to receive (if any), then click “NEXT”
- The “Create Profile” page will come up
 - You can click “**Skip for now**”, or
 - You can click “**CREATE PROFILE**”
 - typing in your phone number that is in our system will connect you to your Pushpay account.

Connect to Your Pushpay Profile:

To sign in to your account through the app, you have to have signed in through our system’s website. If you haven’t yet, go to holyapostles.ccbchurch.com and request a login.

CALL TO ACTION

There are 2 tasks to complete:

- 1) Sign up for the ministries that interest you
 - Go to “Connect”, click on “Ministries”
 - To sign up for a ministry, click on “JOIN”
- 2) Fill out the Volunteer Survey
 - Go to “Connect”, click on “Our Church”
 - Find “Volunteer Survey”
 - Your responses will guide us in building a stronger, more connected community.



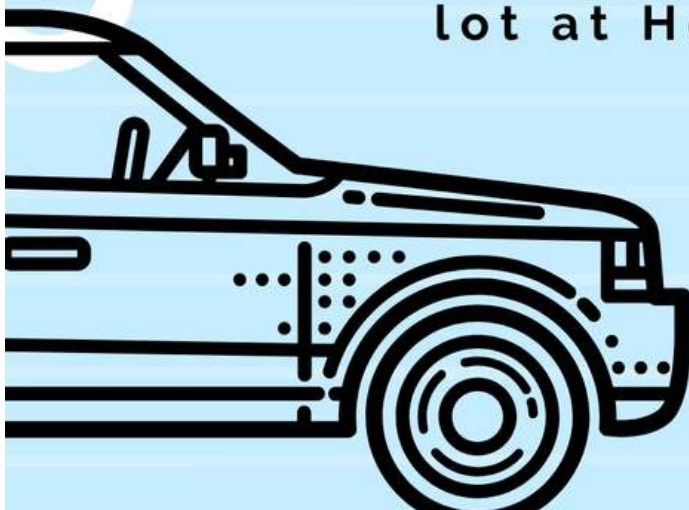
JR. GOYA & GOYA CARWASH!

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

\$5 suggested donation

**Come support our youth as we raise
money for our GOYA!**

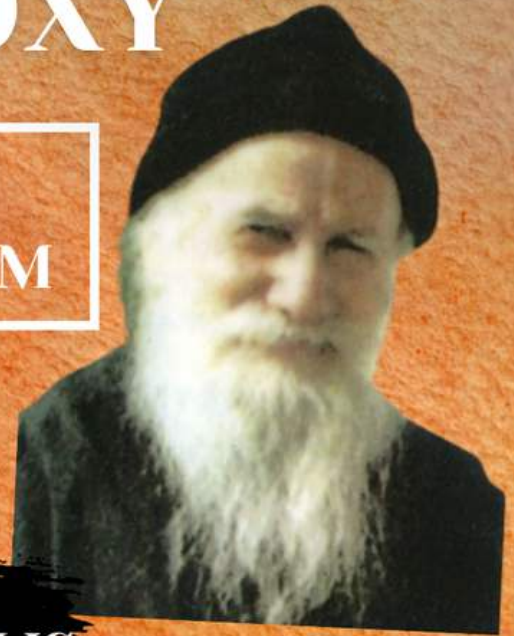
**Car wash will be in the back parking
lot at Holy Apostles!**



**Jr.GOYA/GOYAns please
come at 9:45AM!**

DISCOVERIES IN ORTHODOXY

THURSDAYS
7:15 PM-8:30 PM



LED BY
DN. PERRY HAMALIS

SEPT 24 – SESSION #1 – INTRODUCING ST.
PORPHYRIOS'S LIFE & THE BOOK, *WOUNDED BY
LOVE (PART 1)*

OCT 8 – SESSION #2 – ST. PORPHYRIOS'S
SPIRITUAL TEACHINGS (*WOUNDED BY LOVE
PART 2, PP. 87-133*)

OCT 22 – SESSION #3 – ST. PORPHYRIOS'S
SPIRITUAL TEACHINGS (*WOUNDED BY LOVE
PART 2, PP. 134-189*)

NOV 5 – SESSION #4 – ST. PORPHYRIOS'S
SPIRITUAL TEACHINGS (*WOUNDED BY LOVE
PART 2, PP. 190-247*)

HOLY APOSTLES BASKETBALL

BOYS AND GIRLS



3RD - 12TH GRADE

**Teams play in the
Greek Orthodox Athletic League**

FOR MORE INFO
EMAIL ANDREA SAN LUIS
ATHLETICS@HOLYAPOSTLESCHURCH.COM



SIGN UPS CLOSE ON OCTOBER 4, SO DON'T DELAY!





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The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago
2026 Sunday Church School Director and Teacher Workshop



Reverend Doctor Perry Hamalis

Guest Speaker

Join us for a day of worship, learning, and connection for Orthodox educators.

Workshop Highlights

Growing in Prayer

Explore how deepening our own prayer life can strengthen us as Orthodox Christian educators and help us nurture a lasting life of prayer in our students.

Introduction to the New Curriculum

Discover the vision and structure of the new Sunday School curriculum and explore how its lessons and resources can help us guide our students in understanding, living, and growing in the Orthodox Faith.

In person and via Zoom

\$30 Registration Fee for in-person attendees

Kindly RSVP by September 30th

by calling (708) 562-2744 or

scanning the QR code to reserve your spot.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2026

9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church
2501 South Wolf Road
Westchester, Illinois

The Holy Apostles Philoptochos Society Presents



Stars, Stripes & Style



Drury Lane

100 Drury Lane
Oakbrook Terrace



**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 17, 2026**



Cocktails & Raffle Viewing: 11:00 am
Luncheon: Noon

Tickets: \$75

In person purchase:

8/29 from 12pm to 2pm

After Divine Liturgy starting 8/30

Online:

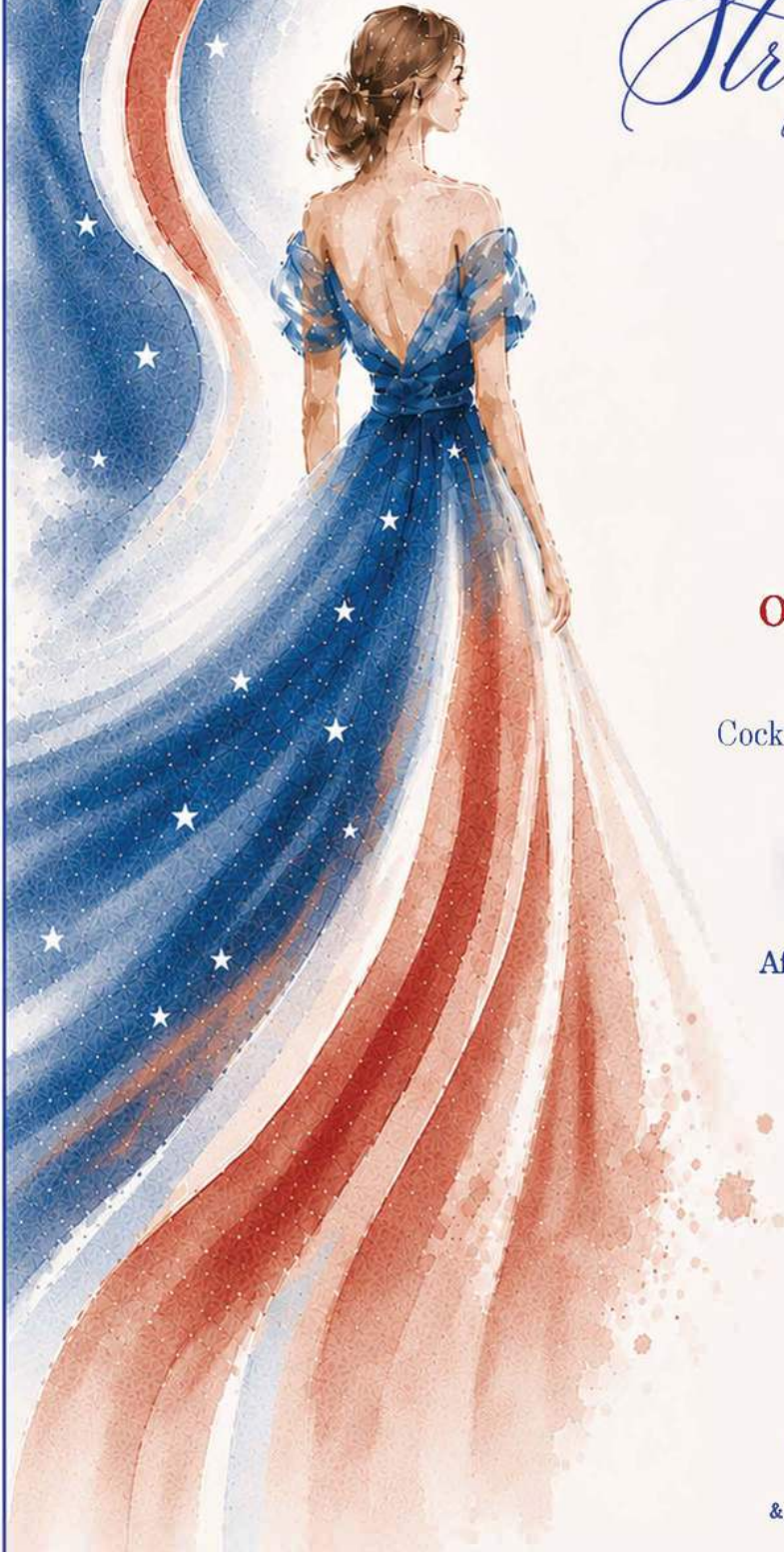
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**Saturday,
October 24, 2026**



10:00 AM–12:00 PM



**Holy Apostles'
Multipurpose Room**

♥ Blankets will go to ♥



**Phil's
Friends**



**Metropolitan
Family Services
Holiday Shoppe**



*Join us as we come together to
create comfort, hope, and love
for our neighbors.*



**SCAN TO
Sign Up**





HOLY APOSTLES GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

GREEK HERITAGE TICKET PACK 2026



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH

SEATGEEK STADIUM // 3:00 PM

ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH, THE FIRE & HOLY APOSTLES GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH ARE CELEBRATING GREEK HERITAGE WITH A TICKET PACK THAT INCLUDES A SPECIAL-EDITION CHICAGO FIRE FC JERSEY.

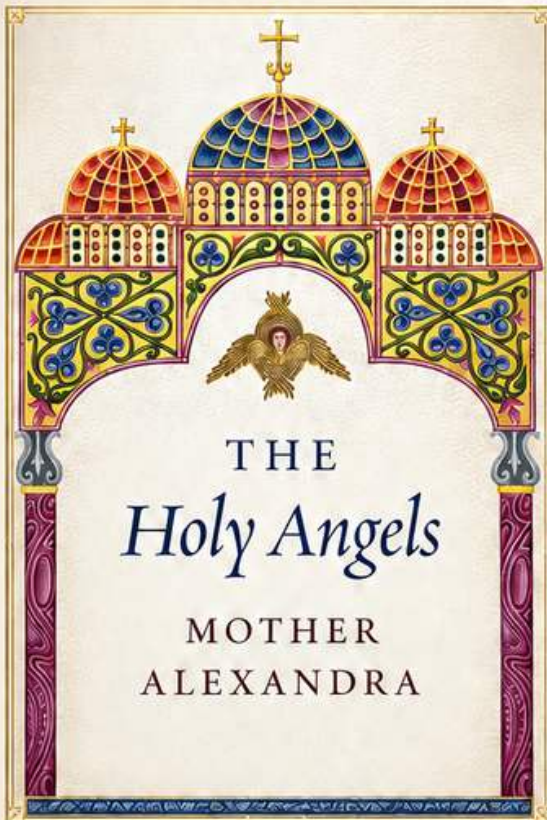
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THIS TICKET PACK MUST BE PURCHASED FROM THIS LINK OR THROUGH A CHICAGO FIRE REPRESENTATIVE. THIRD-PARTY PURCHASES WILL NOT INCLUDE THE ITEM, AND THIS IS NOT AN ARENA-WIDE PROMOTION.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT NOLAN O'BRIEN AT:
872-710-0578 OR NOBRIEN@CHICAGOFIREFC.COM**

Women's Book Club



Women of all ages are invited to join in on our fall book club. We will be reading a book about the angels, which are commemorated in the Orthodox Church every year on November eighth. This book will familiarize us on the history of angels, what the Fathers of the Church teach about these heavenly beings and what their place is in our life and in the life of the church.

What: “The Holy Angels” by Mother Alexandra

When: Tuesday, November 10, 7 p.m.

Where: Holy Apostles MPR

BYOM: Bring your own mug as hot drinks will be provided

Contact Pres. Christa Dokos with any questions:
605-376-3710, preschrista@gmail.com



20TH ANNUAL

Walk the Walk *for* IOCC

Saturday, October 3, 2026

*Join us for our 5K Walk/Run and make a difference
for those in need around the world!*

St. Andrew's Greek Orthodox Church

5649 N. Sheridan Rd. • Chicago, IL 60660

Registration 8:00 a.m. • Walk/Run Begins 9:00 a.m. • Breakfast following the race

\$25—Registration before 9/18 | \$35—Registration after 9/18 | \$10—Children under 12

Register at ioccc.org/chicago or detach and complete form below.

Participant #1: _____ I wish to sponsor the 20th Annual
Address: _____ Chicago Walk the Walk for IOCC
Email Address: _____ (Please select sponsorship level):

Phone: _____ Age on Race Day: _____ Titanium \$2,500
Order your t-shirts here (one per participant). Indicate quantity on the line provided: receives 10 t-shirts/reg

ADULT: S: _____ M: _____ L: _____ XL: _____ XXL: _____ Platinum \$1,000
receives 4 t-shirts/reg

CHILD: XS (Youth size 5-6): _____ S (Youth size 6-7): _____ M (Youth size 8-10): _____ Gold \$500
Signature: _____ Date: _____ receives 2 t-shirts/reg

Make checks payable to IOCC. To guarantee a t-shirt, register by 9/19/25.

Mail the completed form to:

IOCC CHICAGO METROPOLITAN COMMITTEE
6251-53 W. Touhy Ave
Chicago, IL 60646

Questions? Contact iocccchicago5K@gmail.com

Silver \$250
receives 1 t-shirt/reg



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Waiver: In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I, intending to be legally bound, do hereby myself, my heirs and my assigns, waive any and all claims I or any below named minor may have against any of the Orthodox Churches of the greater Chicago area and IOCC or any event sponsor, or any city or public entity or agent for any and all injuries suffered by me, while traveling to, from and/or participating in the IOCC Run/Walk and hereby state that I assume any and all risk inherent in same. I further state that I am in good physical condition to participate in this event. I also hereby authorize IOCC to publish photographs taken of me for use in IOCC's digital and printed publications.

O Monoyenis Yios – Hymn of Justinian

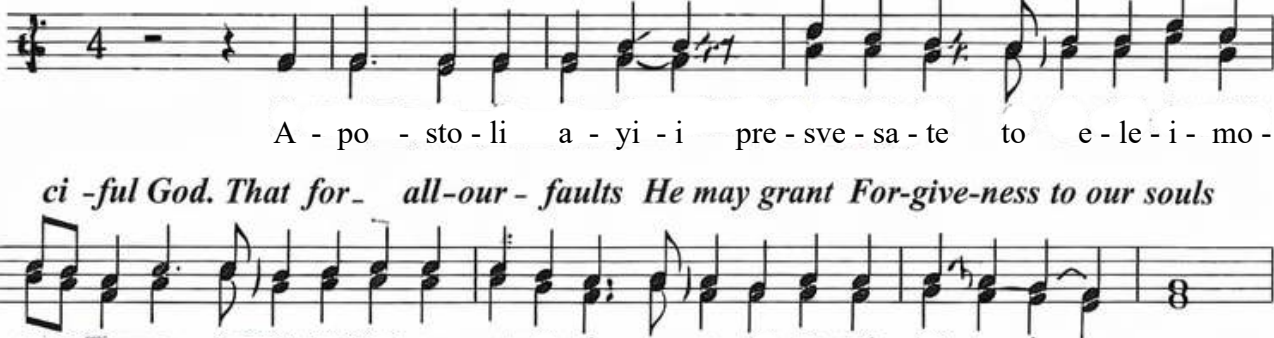
Only begotten Son and Logos of God, being immortal,
You condescended for our salvation to take flesh from the
Holy Theotokos and ever virgin Mary, and without change became man.
Christ our God, You were crucified and conquered death by death.
Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and 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

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Sermon Notes

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