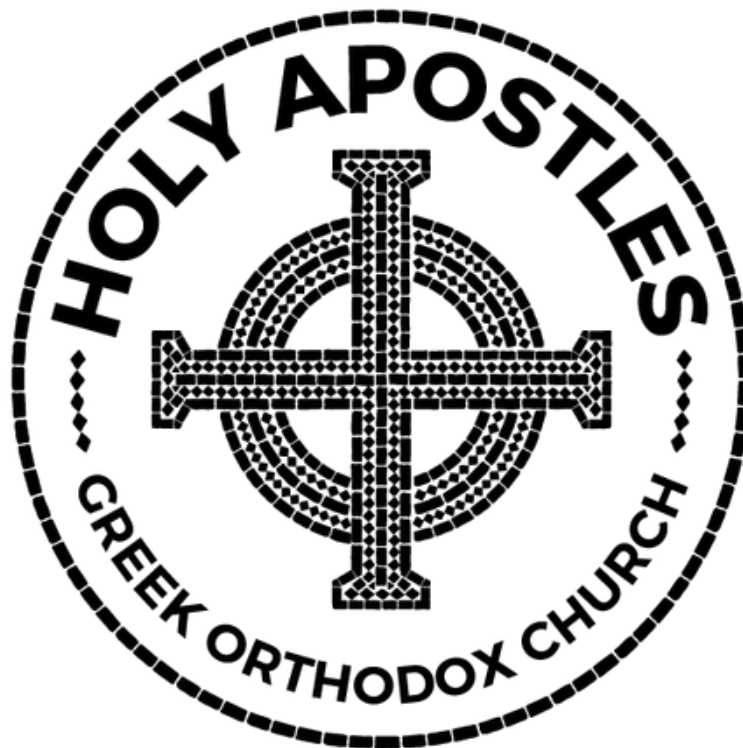


WEEKLY BULLETIN



SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

1ST SUNDAY OF LUKE

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

8:15 a.m. Orthros

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

Memorials: Dina Dimitropoulos, Benita Kosiara, George Roumbos, Peter Roumbos, Sofia Roumbos, , Pangiota Vlangos, Konstandinos Vlangos,

Fellowship Hour: There is no host for today.

11:45 a.m. Sunday School Staff Meeting (Philoptochos Room)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:00 p.m. Obtaining Greek Citizenship (Sponsored by the HBA)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

4:30 p.m. Hellenic Academy

6:30 p.m. Fashion Show Theme & Decor Workshop

7:15 p.m. Metropolis Chanters Practice

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

1:00 p.m. Church Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

10:00 a.m. Field Trip to the National Hellenic Museum

4:30 p.m. Hellenic Academy

6:15 p.m. Hellenic Academy Staff Meeting

7:30 p.m. YAL Bible Study (Offsite)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2

7:00 p.m. Small Paraklesis for the Sick

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3- Feast Day of St. Dionysios the Areopagite

8:00 a.m. Orthros

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

9:00 a.m. IOCC 5K Walk/Run at St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church

11:00 a.m. Baptism: George, son of Gus & Dana Coon

5:00 p.m. Vespers

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE PL. 4.

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and consented to a three-day burial, to free us from the passions. O Lord, our life and resurrection, glory to You!

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Ex EE-psoos ka-TEEL-thes oh EF-splah-nos, ta-FEEN ka-te-THEK-so tree-EE-me-ron, EE-na ee-MAHS e-lef-the-RO-sees tone pa-THONE. Ee zo-EE keh ee a-NA-sta-sees ee-MONE, KEE-ree-eh THO-xa see.

EPISTLE ~ 2 CORINTHIANS 6:16-18; 7:1

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

GOSPEL ~ LUKE 5:1-11

At that time, as Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

NEW LITURGY BOOKS!

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we have new Divine Liturgy books! You can find the Creed on page 69, the Lord's Prayer on page 91, and the Prayers of Holy Communion on page 95. We also have new books for our little ones. Please help us care for all of these books so everyone can enjoy them for years to come!

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.

CONVERSATIONAL 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.

OCTOBER COAT DRIVE

For the Month of October, donate gently used adult and children's coats to benefit: Elmhurst University Career Closet, Warm Coats for Cool Kids, Repeat Boutique & Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans. You can drop off the coats in the Multipurpose Room.

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.

FALL fest

BEARS WATCH PARTY | FAMILY FUN | GAMES | FOOD!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

11:30-1:00PM

Luxe RAFFLE

ENTER TO WIN
a Gucci
GIGLIO PURSE

GUCCI




\$20

BUY A TICKET.
SUPPORT A CAUSE.
WIN SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL.



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WINNERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN

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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EXPLORE THE APP



Home: The latest announcements



Connect: Ways to reach out and get involved



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



Events: Find our church calendar



Give: Make a one time or recurring electronic payment.

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.

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

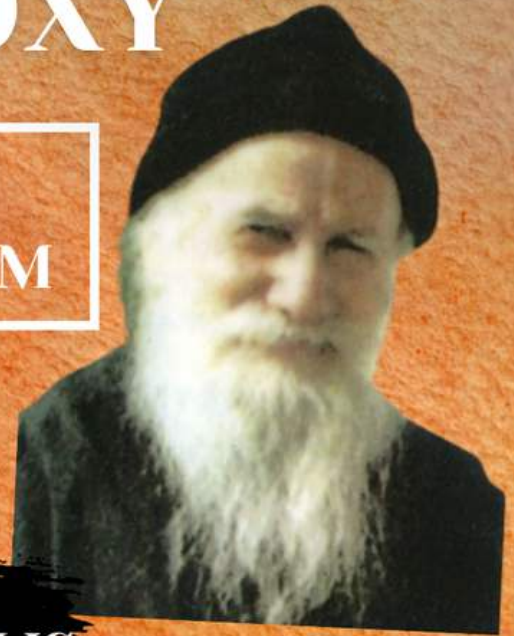


SIGN UPS CLOSE ON OCTOBER 4, SO DON'T DELAY!



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*)

THE SACRED STEWARDSHIP

WHY YOU SHOULD SERVE ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

In the life of a Greek Orthodox church, Holy Apostles is far more than a building—it is a spiritual home, a refuge, and a beacon of Christ's light. While our priests lead us spiritually, the responsibility of sustaining and growing this sacred community rests on all of us. One of the most impactful ways to answer this call to action is by serving on the Parish Council.

Serving on the Council is a vital, living ministry of servant leadership. When you step into this role, your relationship with the church transforms from passive membership into active Christian discipleship. Working closely with your parish priests to balance budgets, maintain facilities, and support ministries challenges you to lead with humility, patience, and grace.

Moreover, council members hold the unique privilege of securing the church's future. By overseeing financial stability and cultivating vibrant youth and outreach programs, your stewardship ensures that the next generation will inherit a thriving, welcoming spiritual home.

Every steward possesses unique, God-given talents—whether in strategic planning, finance, communication, or organizational leadership. If you have been waiting for the right moment to make a meaningful difference, consider offering your time and heart to the upcoming Parish Council Elections on Sunday, December 6th. We need your time and talents now. A nominated individual must:

1. Be a communing Orthodox Christian member of Holy Apostles in good standing and current in his/ her financial commitment to Holy Apostles.
2. A prospective member can be nominated at the Parish Assembly on Sunday, October 18th or
3. if not nominated at the Parish Assembly, secure endorsements from three parish members and submit said signed nomination to the President of the Parish Council.

For more information, please contact Peter Bell at dokphoto@yahoo.com

Please consider making a difference.



ROOTED IN PRAYER • GROWING IN CHRIST

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:

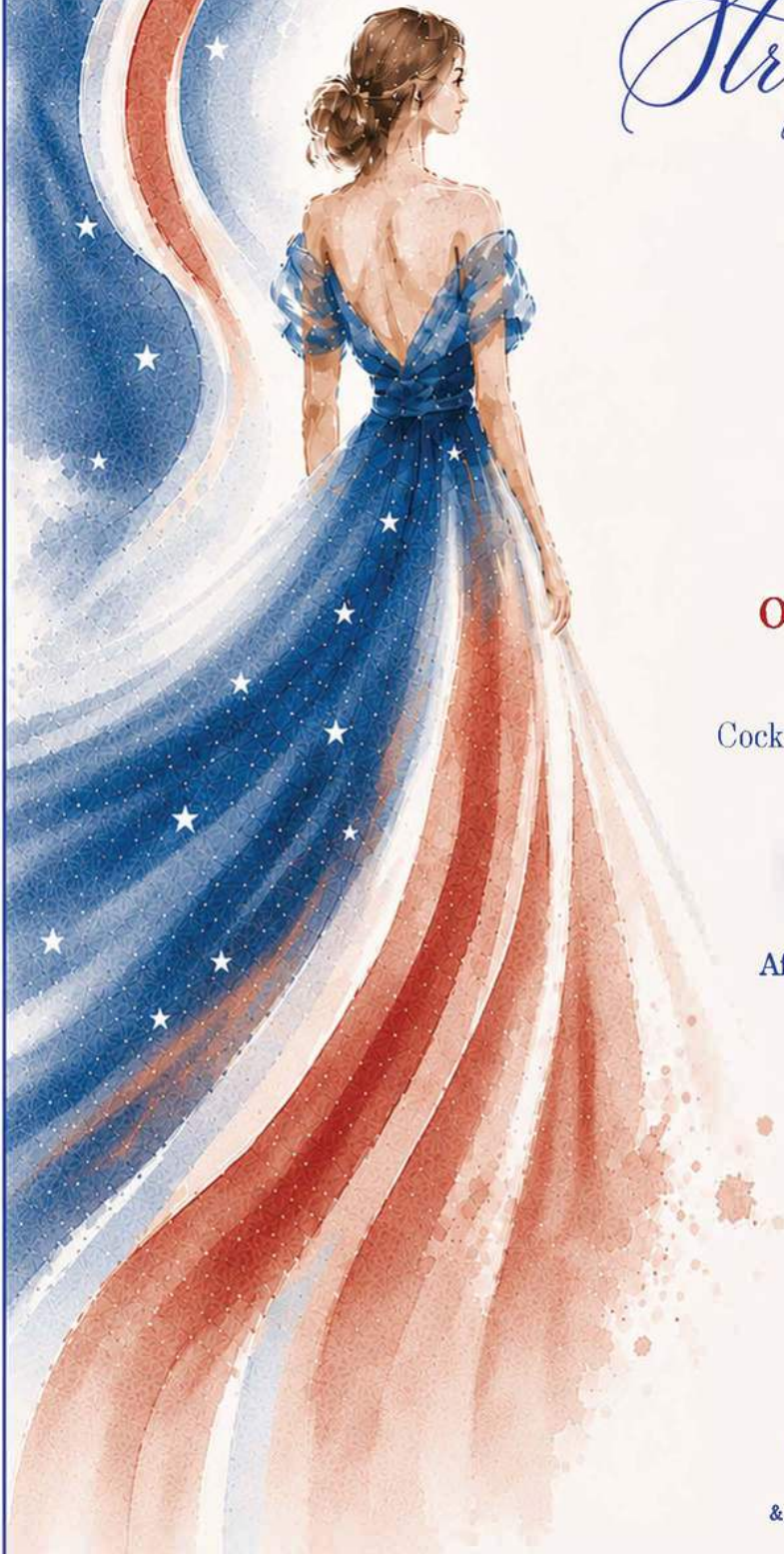
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CO-CHAIRWOMEN

**VALERIE DRANIAS &
THANIA PANOPOULOS**

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SAINT IAKOVOS RETREAT CENTER,
ONE MILLION DEGREES
& OTHER PHILOPTOCHOS ENDEAVORS



Blankets of Love

Stitching warmth. Sharing hope. Showing Christ's love. ♥



**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.*



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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.

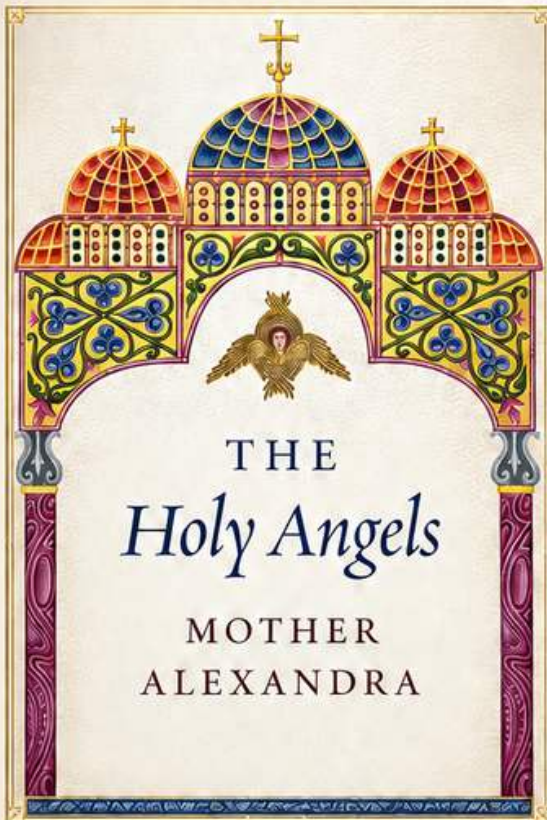
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**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT NOLAN O'BRIEN AT:
872-710-0578 OR NOBRIEN@CHICAGOFIREFC.COM**

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
CHILD: XS (Youth size 5-6): _____ S (Youth size 6-7): _____ M (Youth size 8-10): _____	receives 4 t-shirts/reg
Signature: _____ Date: _____	Gold \$500
Make checks payable to IOCC. To guarantee a t-shirt, register by 9/19/25.	receives 2 t-shirts/reg
Mail the completed form to:	Silver \$250
IOCC CHICAGO METROPOLITAN COMMITTEE	receives 1 t-shirt/reg
6251-53 W. Touhy Ave	
Chicago, IL 60646	

Questions? Contact iocccchicago5K@gmail.com



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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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