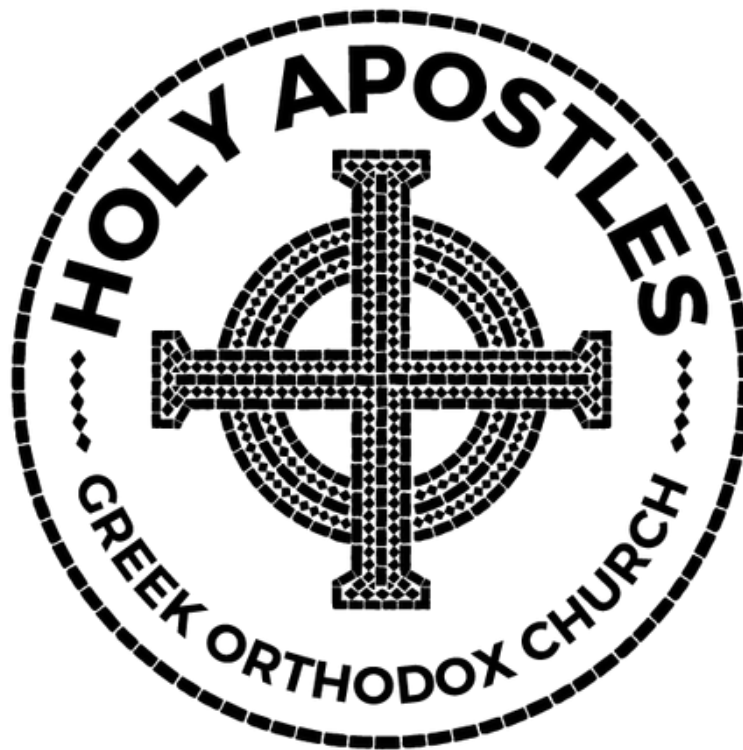


WEEKLY BULLETIN



OCTOBER 4, 2026

2ND SUNDAY OF LUKE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

8:15 a.m. Orthros

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

Memorials: Nora Kyriacou, Helene Kyriacou, Peter Mathews, Jaclyn Peterson, Dionysia Pavlakos, Peter & Petrula Psychogios

12:00 p.m. Chicago Bears Watch Party/Fall Fest

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6 - FEAST DAY OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

8:00 a.m. Orthros

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

11:15 a.m. Feed the Hungry at Annunciation GOC

4:30 p.m. Hellenic Academy

5:30 p.m. Hellenic Academy PTO Meeting

6:15 p.m. JOY

7:00 p.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting

7:15 p.m. Metropolis Chanters Practice

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

1:00 p.m. Church Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. Jr. GOYA Scavenger Hunt

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

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

1:00 p.m. Bible Study

4:30 p.m. Hellenic Academy

7:15 p.m. Discoveries in Orthodoxy

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

5:00 p.m. Vespers

ELLIA GRYFAKIS WILL BE READING THE EPISTLE TODAY

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE I.

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 Σωτὴρ, 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.

Too LEE-thoo s fra-yee-STHEN-dos ee-POH ton Ee-oo-DHAY-on, keh strah-tee-oh-TON fee-lahs-SHON-don to AH-khran-DOHN soo SOH-ma, ah-NEH-stees tree-EH-meh-ros so-TEER, tho-roo-MEH-nos to KOS-mo teen zo-EEN. Dia TOO-to eh Dhee-NA-mee-es ton oo-rah-NON eh-VO-on see Zo-o-THO-ta: THO-xa tee ah-na-STAH-see soo Kree-STEh, THO-xa tee va-see-LEE-ah soo, THO-xa tee ee-ko-no-MEE-ah soo, MOH-neh Fee-LAHN-thro-peh.

EPISTLE ~ 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-11

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

GOSPEL ~ LUKE 6:31-36

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

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!

FALL FEST/ BEARS WATCH PARTY IS TODAY!

Please join us on Sunday, October 4 for our Fall Fest, immediately following Divine Liturgy and Sunday School. Everyone is welcome!

- Fall Fest activities on North Lawn and parking lot include:
 - Food truck serving items for purchase: hot dogs, burgers, tacos, etc.
 - Westchester Fire Department engine visit as part of Fire Prevention Month
 - Crafts table
 - Outdoor games such as Connect Four, Cornhole, Bozo Buckets, soccer and basketball
 - Family Photo Opportunity in The Gathering Place
- Fall Fest activities indoors include:
 - Bears vs Jets game at 12:00pm to be shown on two large screens
 - Open seating in MPR for viewing and eating
 - Assorted salty snacks, sweets and water provided in MPR
 - Please feel free to BYOB

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.

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

Please Join Us on Tuesday, October 13 at 1:00 pm in the Philoptochos Room for Discussion and Coffee. Please contact Kathy Steffenson at gksteff@gmail.com or Val Dranias at valdranias@aol.com with any questions.

We hope that you will join us.

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.

"MEET THE TEACHERS"

Fourth and fifth grade Sunday School parents are invited to a 10 minute "meet the teacher" with Mr and Mrs Pappas at 11:30 today in room 106 downstairs.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Boys and girls in grades 3rd through 12th are invited to join our Holy Apostles Basketball League! Sign ups close October 4th so be sure to sign up today via the QR code!

For any questions, please email Andrea at Athletics@holypostleschurch.com



BLANKETS OF LOVE

Join us on Saturday, October 24th from 10-12pm to make blankets for Phil's Friends and Metropolitan Family Services Holiday Shoppe. Sign up today with the QR code!



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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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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.

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.

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:

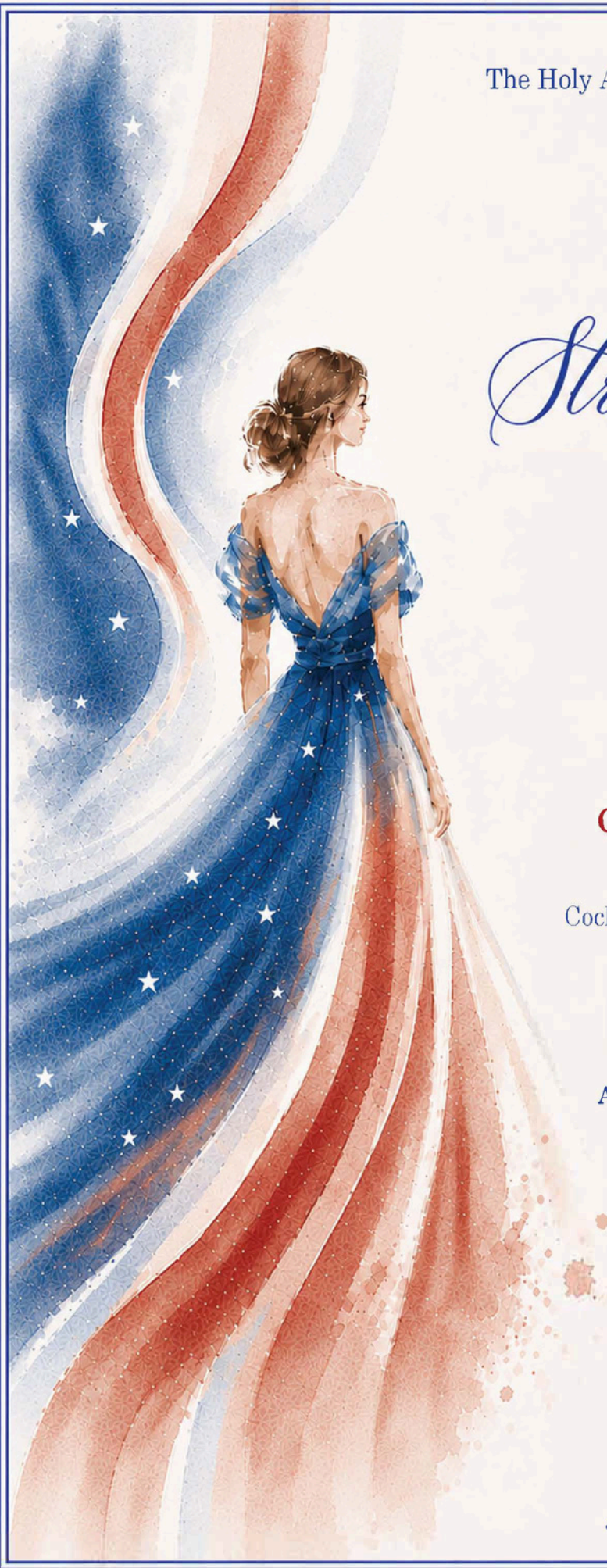
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CO-CHAIRWOMEN

**VALERIE DRANIAS &
THANIA PANOPOULOS**

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





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.

SCAN QR FOR TICKETS



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**



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO
ST. IAKOVOS RETREAT CENTER

A place of faith, a place of fellowship

St. Iakovos Retreat Center Townhall Meeting

Financial, Fundraising, and
Long-term Planning Update

October 8 | 6-7:30 pm CST

CLICK ON LINK IN CAPTION
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O Monoyenis Yios – Hymn of Justinian

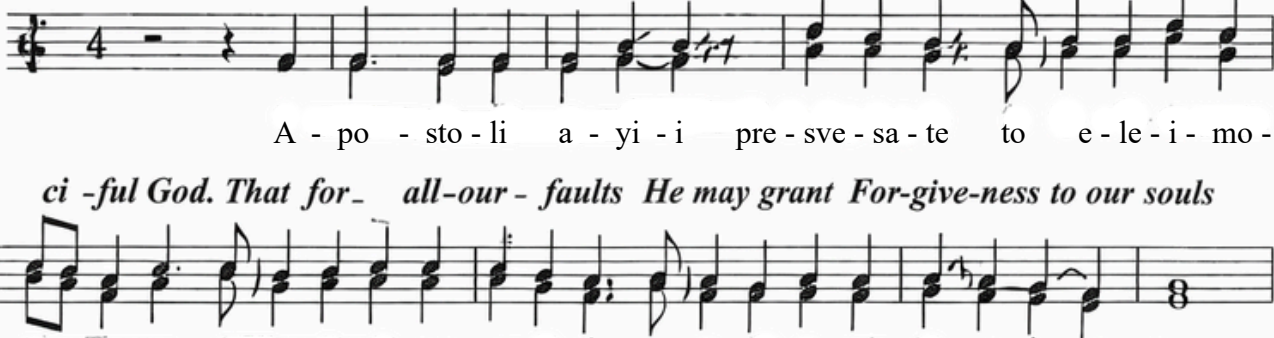
Only begotten Son and Logos of God, being immortal,
You condescended for our salvation to take flesh from the
Holy Theotokos and ever virgin Mary, and without change became man.
Christ our God, You were crucified and conquered death by death.
Being one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and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

Apostoli Agii

Anastassiou

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

Voice



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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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