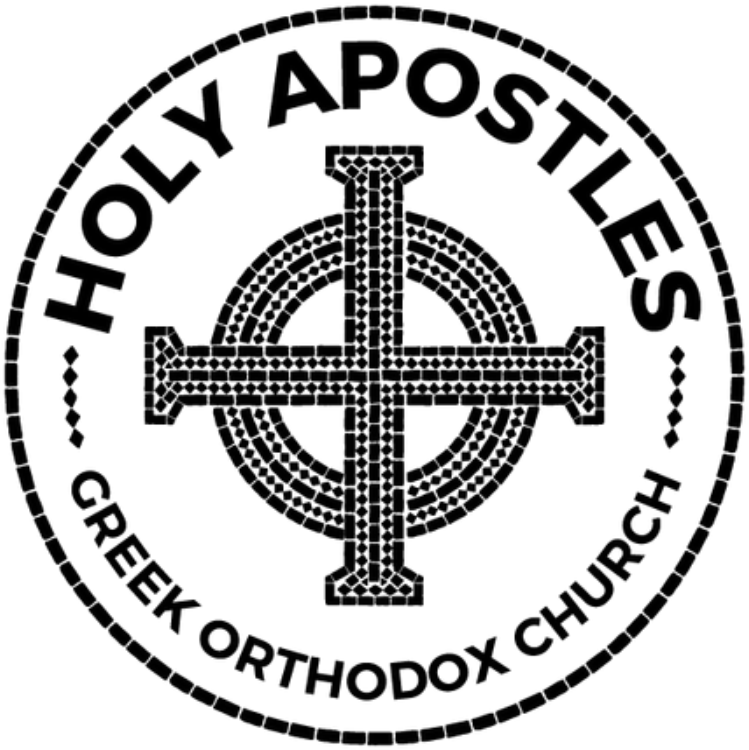
Weekly Bulletin



November 8, 2026

7th Sunday of Luke

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8- Feast Day of the Synaxis of the Archangels

- 8:15 a.m. – Orthros
- 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy (Sunday School following Communion)
- Memorials: Panagiotis Fosses, Michael Burtzos, Evelyn Georgiadis, Matina Gatsos, Eleni Karalis, Aristidis Karalis, Perry Kokinis, Barbara Nikolas
- 11:15 a.m. – Veteran's Day Artoklasia
- 11:35 a.m. – Christmas Pageant Rehearsal after Sunday School
- Fellowship Hour Hosted By Lena Theotikos in Memory of Barbara Nikolas
- 11:45 a.m. – Sunday School Staff Meeting (Philoptochos Room with Lunch)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9- Feast Day of St. Nectarios of Aegina

- 8:00 a.m. – Orthros
- 9:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

- 11:00 a.m. – OCCA Meeting & Luncheon
- 1:00 p.m. – Caregivers
- 4:30 p.m. – Hellenic Academy
- 6:30 p.m. – GOYA Christmas Shopping at The Patio and Target
- 7:00 p.m. – Women's Book Club
- 7:15 p.m. – Metropolis Chanters Practice

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- 10:00 a.m. – TOTS
- 11:00 a.m. – Koukla's Kafenio Setup
- 1:00 p.m. – Church Staff Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. – Philoptochos Fashion Show Wrap-Up Meeting

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- 6:45 a.m. – Brotherhood of St. Peter the Apostle
- 12:00 p.m. – Koukla's Kafenio Luncheon
- 4:30 p.m. – Hellenic Academy
- 7:00 p.m. – Conversational Greek (Ages 13+)
- 7:30 p.m. – YAL Bible Study (Offsite)

Friday, November 13 - Feast Day of St. John Chrysostom

- **8:00 a.m. – Orthros**
- **9:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy**

Saturday, November 14

- **1:00 p.m. – Wedding of Nia Dillon and Spencer Allen**
- **5:00 p.m. – Vespers**

Meet the Teacher

Parents of children in 1st Grade (208) and 9th/10th Grade (GOYA Room) are invited to a short "Meet the Teacher" presentation at 11:30 in their classrooms.

Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode Pl. 2

When the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, * the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. * And standing by the sepulcher was Mary, who was seeking Your immaculate body. * Unassailed by Hades, You divested it of spoils. * Then You met the Virgin. You granted life. * O Lord, risen from the dead, glory to You!

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. Ἦχος πλ. β

Ἀγγελικαὶ Δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνῆμά σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν· καὶ ἵστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἅδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ᾽ αὐτοῦ· ὑπήντησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωήν. Ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Angelikee Dheenamees ehpee toh mnee-MAH soo, keh ee fee-LAHSSohn-dess ah-peh-neh-KROH-thee-sahn; keh EE-steh-toh Mah-REE-ah en toh TAH-foh zee-TOO-sah toh AH-khran-DOHN soo SOH-mah. Eh-SKEE-lef-sahs tohn AH-theen, mee pee-rahss-THEES oop AH-too; oo-PEEN-deh-fsahs tee Pahr-THEH-noh, thoh-ROO-meh-nohs teen zoh-EEN. Oh ah-nah-STAHSS ehk tohn neh-KROHN, KEE-ree-eh DOH-kssah see.

Ellia Gryfakis will be reading the Epistle today

EPISTLE ~ ST. PAUL'S LETTER TO THE HEBREWS 2:2-10

Brethren, if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his own will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, "What is man that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man, that thou carest for him? Thou didst make him for a little while lower than the angels, thou hast crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for every one. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through suffering.

GOSPEL ~LUKE 8:41-561

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter and those who were with him said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

Psalter Reading Group

Looking to add peace to the fast pace of the holiday season? Join the Psalms Reading Group!
Everyone is invited to read/pray the Psalms throughout the Nativity Fast!
When: Sun., 11/15 - Thurs., 12/24/26
Where: In the privacy of your home
How: Use a resource that employs the Greek numbering system (Septuagint or The Seventy). Examples are: The Orthodox Study Bible; any Orthodox version of The Psalter; or Songs of Praise by Sylvia Leontaritis. All are available in HARC.

Please note that Fr. George will present four sessions on the Psalms during this winter's Discoveries in Orthodoxy. Participation in the '26 Nativity Fast Psalms Reading Group will give you the opportunity to gather questions and make observations that can be addressed at that time.

Register now thru Wed., 11/11 via the QR code aboveor by sending your name/email to: psalter@holyapostleschurch.com.

Singers and High School Helpers Needed!

We are looking for **high school students** to help coordinate the logistics for our **Youth in the Loft** Sundays! No musical experience or skills are required, and the time commitment is minimal. We also are looking for more singers! If you're interested in helping, please reach out to Bette at loft@holyapostleschurch.com.

Caregivers Support Group

Please Join Us on Tuesday, November 10 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.

Calling All Veterans!

We would like to honor you on Sunday, November 15th. Please scan the QR code and fill out the form so we have your information!

Step forward to serve as a Parish Council Member

Beloved Parishioners of Holy Apostles,

Our parish is more than a community—it is a spiritual home where we gather to keep, practice, and proclaim the Orthodox Christian Faith. Today, you are invited to deepen your commitment to this sacred mission by offering your talents, leadership, and faith as a candidate for the Parish Council. Serving on the Parish Council is not merely a corporate or administrative role; it is a vital, Christ-centered ministry. Working hand-in-hand with our parish priests, council members serve as ambassadors of faith, setting an exemplary standard of devotion, stewardship, and love for our church family.

Who Can Answer the Call?

To run for election, candidates must meet the foundational requirements of spiritual and communal leadership:

- **A Living Faith:** You must be a practicing, communing Orthodox Christian.
- **A Rooted Commitment:** You must be a member in good standing of the Holy Apostles Parish for at least one year, current in both your spiritual and stewardship commitments.

How to Be Nominated

To officially enter your candidacy:

- **By Petition:** You may have three Holy Apostles stewards sign and support your candidacy. Nomination forms are available in the office or by email at your request. Turn them in to the office or Jim Maragos or the church office. Any written request on paper is acceptable.

If you have felt a pull to give back to the church that sustains you, or if you wish to help guide Holy Apostles into a vibrant future, please prayerfully consider this opportunity to serve. Your unique gifts can help keep the "light of Christ" shining brightly in our parish.

Please join us,
Your current Parish Council Members



Christopher “Fiss” McKay is a 20-year-old Greek Orthodox man from Wheaton, IL and is bravely fighting Chronic Myeloid Leukemia (CML).

Be the Match, Be the Cure!

After completing several rounds of treatment, Fiss is now home, recovering, praying, and waiting for a match that could give him his life back!

We are so grateful for the love, prayers and overwhelming support we have been shown. Family and Friends have held donor drives at colleges, churches and community venues, with more planned for early October.

Despite all of these efforts, a donor has not been found. Fiss urgently needs a stem cell transplant for a chance at a cure. We are asking for your continued support and prayers.

Please share this flyer and, if you are 18–35, join the registry.

If you’re 18–35, join the NMDP Registry to see if you could be a match!

1 REGISTER & REQUEST YOUR KIT

TEXT Fight4Fiss TO 61474

OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

Your kit will be mailed to you with a prepaid return envelope. Follow the kit instructions to swab your cheeks and then mail it back ASAP!

2 SHARE THIS FLYER

Post it on your social media pages and ask your friends and family to share it too.

#Fight4Fiss

nmdp

Want to host a donor drive at your college, church, etc.?

Contact Christopher's godmother, Niki, at 630-640-7274 to learn how you can help!



Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant
Sunday, December 13th
IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN!!
Next Rehearsal Sunday, November 8th

The annual Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant is quickly approaching. **OUR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM IS IN JEOPARDY BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF PARTICIPANTS.** We are especially short of 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade participants as well as choir members. **PLEASE HELP US SUSTAIN THIS BEAUTIFUL PRESENTATION THAT THE CHILDREN PRESENT TO OUR PARISHIONERS.** Forms will be available at the second rehearsal on **Sunday, November 8th** to register your child or you may bring a filled out copy of the form that was mailed to you.

Kindergartners through third grade students will play the silent roles of the characters in the Nativity Scene. Fourth through eight graders will sing traditional Christmas Carols for the program and be narrators.

The character roles continue to be assigned on November 8th. Rehearsal will be after Sunday School until noon. Your participating K-3rd grade child will be brought by a teacher from their Sunday School classroom to church at 11:35am. **The Choir (4th – 8th graders) should report to room 208 at 11:35am.**

For more information, please feel free to send an email to the pageant director, Sandy Pihos, at christmaspageant@holyapostleschurch.com or call/text at 630-640-5811.

PLEASE DONATE TO THE PHILOPTOCHOS

HOLIDAY

COLLECTION FOR TOYS & GIFTS

to benefit families assisted by the Family Shelter Service ofDuPage

Philoptochos volunteers shop and deliver items directly to the shelter where victims of domestic abuse have an opportunity to select a special Christmas gift for members of their families.

- ☐ DONATE IN PERSON EVERY SUNDAY IN NOVEMBER AFTER LITURGY
- ☐ SEND YOUR CHECK TO THE CHURCH OFFICE MADE OUT TO "HOLY APOSTLES PHILOPTOCHOS" and note "TOY DRIVE" in the memo
- ☐ ONLINE AT www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501
- ☐ SCAN THE QR CODE

Please consider helping us to make the holiday season brighter and happier for these families - Thank you!

HOLIDAY FOOD COLLECTION

Sunday, November 1st – Sunday, November 29th

Together, we can make the holidays a little brighter for those in need.

The holidays can be very difficult for those experiencing food insecurity. Food donations are down, and your help is needed now more than ever!

How It Works

Our HOPE collections go to the Hillside Food Pantry (HFP), operating out of Immanuel Lutheran Church just one block north of us. HFP hosts two Holiday Drive-Thrus (Thanksgiving & Christmas) and provides turkeys. We are asking parishioners to donate side dishes so HFP can provide complete holiday meals!

(Note: This collection is in addition to our ongoing HOPE bags.)



Suggested Non-Perishable Items

ANY donation is greatly appreciated!

Dinner Sides & Staples

- Boxed stuffing
- Instant mashed potatoes
- Canned cranberry sauce
- Turkey gravy (canned, jars, or packets)
- Canned fruits and vegetables

Baking & Desserts

- Canned pumpkin (HFP provides milk & crust)
- Biscuit or cornbread mix
- Quick breads & baking mixes
- Cookie mixes, cake mixes, & Jello
- Green bean casserole ingredients (green beans, mushroom soup, French-fried onions)

Drop-off Location

A dedicated table will be set up in front of the HOPE collection counter to receive all donations.

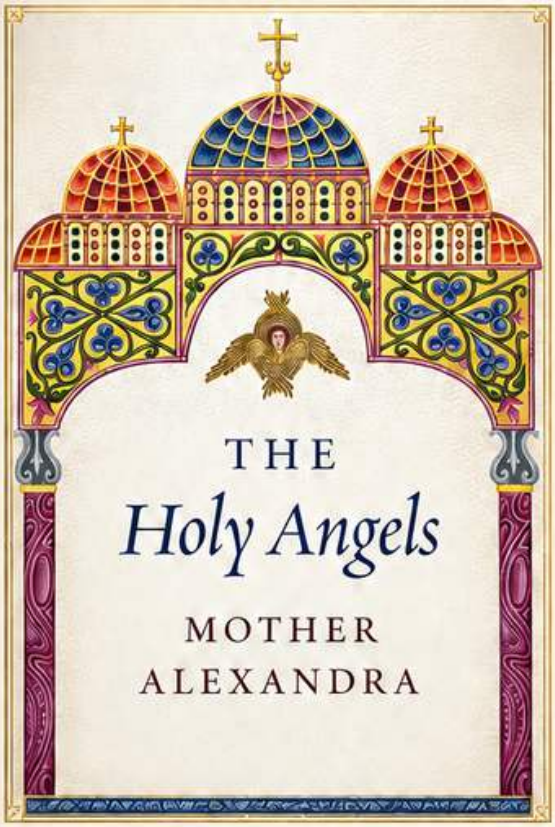
Have Questions? Please contact:

Faye Adams: geofaye.adams@gmail.com

Nicole Kubesh: nkubesh73@gmail.com

Thank You for Your Support!

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

Koukla's Kafenio

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH

12-3PM

HOLY APOSTLES MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF GREAT GREEK FOOD, WARM LAUGHS, AND WONDERFUL COMPANY AS WE CELEBRATE THE CONNECTIONS THAT TIE US ALL TOGETHER.

65+ WELCOME

FEATURING A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO OUR VETERANS AND LIVE GREEK MUSIC AND DANCING WITH GRECIAN FORMULA

PLEASE RSVP TO BESS SHIZAS AT (708) 703-2732

We will be collecting items for the Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans. If you'd like to donate, please bring any toiletries, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush, etc.

HOLY APOSTLES VOLUNTEERS AT THE WESTCHESTER FOOD PANTRY

Saturday, December 5th
8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sign up deadline
Novemeber 29th

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

Questions?
parishfamily@holyapostleschurch.com



Christmas Breakfast with Santa

Please reserve a spot at the Christmas Breakfast, following Liturgy and the Pageant, on **Sunday December 13th.**

Santa will make a special appearance, in spite of his busy schedule.

Cost is $10 for Adults and children 5 and older –
children 4 and under are free.

Please make your reservations November 8th thru December 8th
either by clicking on the QR code here

online at
www.tinyurl.com/haphilo2501

or in person after liturgy
on Sundays, November 22nd, 29th
& December 6th

or contact Leah Brinkmeyer at
(630) 204-0058 or
leahbrinkmeyer@gmail.com



Philoptochos

Christmas Party and General Meeting

Tuesday, December 8th
Holy Apostles
6:30 PM

Dinner and Holiday Cheer

We will collect new hats, gloves, and socks,
for all ages to be donated to
The People's Resource Center.

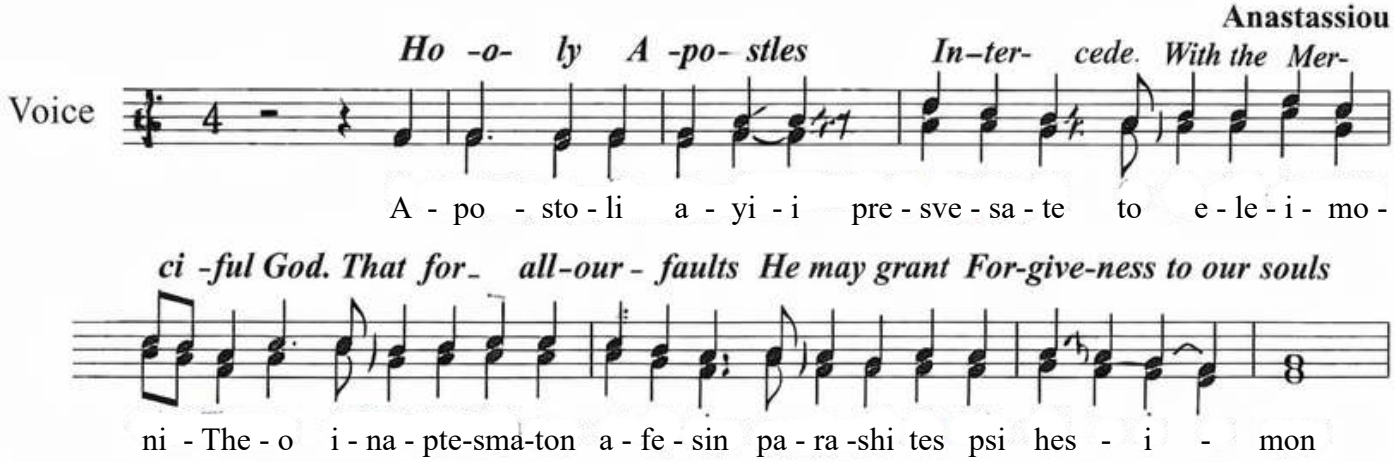
Please RSVP no later than 12/01 to
Aleka Ernst at (630) 561-1660 or
philotreasurer@holyapostleschurch.com.

evite to follow

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 becme 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



Sermon Notes

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