

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday March 24th, 2024

Sunday of Orthodoxy



*We welcome all our Parishioners and Friends and Guests to our
Holy Cross Community.*

Service Hours are as follows:

Sunday: Orthros 8:30a.m. Liturgy 9:45a.m.

Sunday School begins right after communion.

*Monday March 25th ~ **Feast of the Annunciation** ~ Orthos 9am,
Divine Liturgy 10am*

*Δευτέρα, 25η Μαρτίου ~ **Ο ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΣΜΟΣ** ~ Όρθρος 9:00 π.μ.,
Θεία Λειτουργία 10:00π.μ.*

*Wednesday, March 27th ~ **Pre-Sanctified Liturgy** ~ 6pm*

*Τετάρτη, 27η Μαρτίου ~ **Λειτουργία Προηγιασμένων Δώρων** ~ 6 μ.μ.*

*Friday, March 29th ~ **2nd Salutations to the Virgin Mary** ~ 7pm*

*Παρασκευή, 29η Μαρτίου ~ **Β' Στάσις των Χαιρετισμών** ~ 7μ.μ.*

All Week Day Divine Liturgy Services are as follows:

Orthros 9:00a.m. and Liturgy 10:00a.m.



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Εβρ 11:24-26, 32-40

Heb. 11:24-26, 32-40

Ἀδελφοί, πίστει Μωϋσῆς μέγας γενόμενος ἠρνήσατο λέγεσθαι υἱὸς θυγατρὸς Φαραώ, μᾶλλον ἐλόμενος συγκαουχεῖσθαι τῷ λαῷ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἢ πρόσκαιρον ἔχειν ἀμαρτίας ἀπόλαυσιν· μείζονα πλοῦτον ἠγησάμενος τὸν Αἰγύπτου θησαυρῶν τὸν ὄνειδισμὸν τοῦ Χριστοῦ· ἀπέβλεπε γὰρ εἰς τὴν μισθοποδοσίαν. Καὶ τί ἐτι λέγω; Ἐπιλείπει γάρ με διηγουμένον ὁ χρόνος περὶ Γεδεών, Βαράκ τε καὶ Σαμψὼν καὶ Ἰεφθάε, Δαυὶδ τε καὶ Σαμουὴλ καὶ τῶν Προφητῶν· οἱ διὰ πίστεως κατηγωνίσαντο βασιλείας, ἐιργάσαντο δικαιοσύνην, ἐπέτυχον ἐπαγγελίων, ἐφράξαν στόματα λεόντων, ἔσβεσαν δύναμιν πυρός, ἐφυγον στόματα μαχαίρας, ἐνεδυναμώθησαν ἀπὸ ἀσθενείας, ἐγενήθησαν ἰσχυροὶ ἐν πολέμῳ, παρεμβολὰς ἔκλιναν ἀλλοτρίων· ἔλαβον γυναῖκες ἐξ ἀναστάσεως τοὺς νεκροὺς αὐτῶν· ἄλλοι δὲ ἐτυμπανίσθησαν, οὐ προσδεξάμενοι τὴν ἀπολύτρωσιν, ἵνα κρείττονος ἀναστάσεως τύχῳσιν· ἕτεροι δὲ ἐμπαιγμῶν καὶ μαστίγων πείραν ἔλαβον, ἐτι δὲ δεσμῶν καὶ φυλακῆς· ἐλίθασθησαν, ἐπρίσθησαν, ἐπειράσθησαν, ἐν φόνῳ μαχαίρας ἀπέθανον, περιήλθον ἐν μηλωταῖς, ἐν αἰγείοις δέρμασιν, ὑστερούμενοι, θλιβόμενοι, κακουχούμενοι, ὧν οὐκ ἦν ἄριστος ὁ κόσμος, ἐν ἐρημίαις πλανώμενοι καὶ ὄρεσι καὶ σπηλαίοις καὶ ταῖς ὄραις τῆς γῆς. Καὶ οὗτοι πάντες μαρτυροῦντες διὰ τῆς πίστεως οὐκ ἐκομίσαντο τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν, τοῦ Θεοῦ περὶ ἡμῶν κρείττον τι προβλεψαμένου, ἵνα μὴ χωρὶς ἡμῶν τελειωθῶσι.

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered abuse suffered for the Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he looked to the reward. And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets – who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign enemies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated – of whom the world was not worthy – wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

Ιω α' 43-51

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκεῖνῳ, ἠθέλησεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐξελεῖν εἰς τὴν Γαλιλαίαν, καὶ εὐρίσκει Φίλιππον καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ· Ἀκολουθε μοι. ἦν δὲ ὁ Φίλιππος ἀπὸ Βηθσαϊδά, ἐκ τῆς πόλεως Ἀνδρέου καὶ Πέτρου. εὐρίσκει Φίλιππος τὸν Ναθαναὴλ καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ· Ὁν ἔγραψε Μωϋσῆς ἐν τῷ νόμῳ καὶ οἱ προφῆται, εὐρήκαμεν, Ἰησοῦν τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ Ἰωσήφ τὸν ἀπὸ Ναζαρέτ. καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ Ναθαναὴλ· Ἐκ Ναζαρέτ δύναται τι ἀγαθὸν εἶναι; λέγει αὐτῷ Φίλιππος· Ἔρχου καὶ ἴδε. εἶδεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὸν Ναθαναὴλ ἐρχόμενον πρὸς αὐτὸν καὶ λέγει περὶ αὐτοῦ· Ἴδε ἀληθῶς Ἰσραηλῆτης ἐν ᾧ δόλος οὐκ ἔστι. λέγει αὐτῷ Ναθαναὴλ· Πόθεν με γινώσκεις; ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Πρὸ τοῦ σε Φίλιππον φωνῆσαι, ὄντα ὑπὸ τῆν σκυῆν εἶδόν σε. ἀπεκρίθη Ναθαναὴλ καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ· Ραββί, σὺ εἶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, σὺ εἶ ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ. ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Ὅτι εἶπόν σοι, εἶδόν σε ὑποκάτω τῆς σκυῆς, πιστεύεις; μείζω τούτων ὄψη. καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ· Ἀμὴν ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν, ἀπ' ἄρτι ὄψεσθε τὸν οὐρανὸν ἀνεωγῆτα, καὶ τοὺς ἀγγέλους τοῦ Θεοῦ ἀναβαίνοντας καὶ καταβαίνοντας ἐπὶ τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ ἀνθρώπου.

Jn. 1:43-51

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and he said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."



HOLY CROSS PHILOPTOCHOS



1ST EASTER

BAKE SALE

Friday, March 29 - Saturday, March 30, 2024

9-4pm

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7560 S. Archer Rd. Justice, IL 60458 ~ 708-594-2040

SACRAMENTS AND 40 DAY CHILD BLESSINGS

No Sacraments

SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS

MARRIAGE SEMINAR 2024: *May 18, August 10, October 12*

MAR 25th *Feast of the Annunciation; Orthos 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

MAR 25th *Men's Bible Study; 6:30pm*

MAR 27th *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm followed by Catechism Class*

MAR 29th *2nd Salutations to the Virgin Mary at 7pm*

MAR 29-30 *Philoptochos Bake Sale 9-4pm*

APR 1st *Great Compline 6pm*

APR 2nd *Philoptochos Meeting at 6:30pm*

APR 3rd *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm followed by Catechism Class*

APR 5th *3rd Salutations to the Virgin Mary 7pm*

APR 8th *Great Compline 6pm*

APR 10th *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm*

APR 12th *4th Salutations to the Virgin Mary 7pm*

APR 14 *Holy Cross Parish Oratorical Festival*

APR 27-28 *Philoptochos Bake Sale 9-4pm*

MAY 7th *Philoptochos Meeting at 6:30pm*

MAY 11 *Metropolis Oratorical Festival at Holy Apostles in Westchester, IL*

JUNE 4th *Philoptochos Meeting at 6:30pm*

Holy Cross Sunday School

Reminder

March 24th
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Please bring an icon from home!

We will be part of the procession during Liturgy.

Questions: Contact the Church Office at 708.594.2040

Please join us

FOR OUR PALM SUNDAY PREPARATIONS

**APRIL 26TH
5:30PM**

CHURCH DECORATING

**APRIL 27TH
11:30AM**

PALM CROSS MAKING

SEE YOU THERE!

ALTAR BOY SERVERS

Boys from the age of 7 years old and up are welcomed. Please give the name to the office or to Fr. John. All altar boys to be dressed and ready to serve by 9:45am.

STEWARDSHIP QUOTE

As we enter Great and Holy Lent, and anticipation of the Resurrection of Our Lord, let us prayerfully think about the greatest sacrifice that Christ gave for us. As always give the best to God's house for the gifts that He has given us.



HOLY CROSS YOUTH CHOIR

Looking for young voices to join our Jr. Choir of Holy Cross. We had a successful 2022/2023 year and are looking for a better 2023/2024 year. If interested leave your name and contact information in the office or with Denise our Choir Director.

MEMORIALS

Konstantinos 'Gus' Karoubas, *3 Months*, Right Pews 1-2

Mary Toussas, *2 Years*, Right Pew 3

Margarita Toussas, *27 Years*, Right Pew 3

John Toussas, *32 Years*, Right Pew 3

Sunday's coffee hour is hosted by the Toussas family in memory of Mary, John and Margarita.

Everyone is invited to our community hall to enjoy Fellowship.



FAMILY LENTEN COOKING CLASS

THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH
5-8PM

ADULTS: \$35 KIDS: \$20

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF COOKING AND EATING TOGETHER!
PROFESSIONAL PASTRY CHEF EVI MAROUDA WILL BE TEACHING
HOW TO MAKE BRIAMI AND KOULOURAKIA. WE WILL PAIR THAT
WITH FATHER'S FAMOUS FAKIES AND PASTA.

INCLUDED: FOLDER WITH RECIPES TO COOK WITH
YOUR FAMILY AT HOME!



RSVP BY MON, APRIL 11TH TO MARINA DALMARES (708) 543-3658

Join Us For Our Annual

**Holy Cross
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***Fish
Fry***

7560 Archer Rd. Justice, IL



**Every Friday
starting
February 16th
from 4-8pm!**



Fish, Shrimp, & Combo Dinners

**All dinners include french fries and cole slaw*



ΠΡΟΣΕΥΧΗ ΤΟΥ ΑΓΙΟΥ ΕΦΡΑΙΜ

Κύριε καὶ Δέσποτα τῆς ζωῆς μου, πνεῦμα ἀργίας, περιεργίας, φιλαρχίας, καὶ ἀργολογίας μὴ μοι δῶς. Πνεῦμα δὲ σωφροσύνης, ταπεινοφροσύνης, ὑπομονῆς, καὶ ἀγάπης χάρισαί μοι τῷ σῶ δούλῳ. Ναί, Κύριε Βασιλεῦ, δώρησαι μοι τοῦ ὄραν τὰ ἐμὰ πταίσματα, καὶ μὴ κατακρίνειν τὸν ἀδελφόν μου, ὅτι εὐλογητὸς εἶ, εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

PRAYER OF ST. EPHRAIM

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power, and idle talk. But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to Thy servant. Yea, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own transgressions, and not to judge my sister & brother, for blessed art Thou, unto ages of ages. Amen.