Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church Sunday June 30th, 2024



Synaxis of the Holy Apostles

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.

Thank you to everyone who came out to volunteer making this year's festival the most successful yet. Thank you to all the donors, all who contributed in financial or physical donations. With everyone's help (and Fr. John's prayers for cooperative weather, especially on Sunday), this weekend proved that when we all work together for God's glory and blessings and as one parish family, we can make anything happen.

We heard so many great things about the food, merchandise, and overall the kefi Holy Cross delivered.

God's blessings for a safe summer and look forward again at our Feast Day Paniyiri Pig Roast on September 8th.

All Week Day Divine Liturgy Services are as follows: Orthros 9:00a.m. and Liturgy 10:00a.m.



7560 South Archer Road, Justice, Illinois 60458 (708) 594-2040, fax (708) 594-8362 Web: www.holycrossil.org; Email: office@holycrossil.org Rev. Protopresbyter John N Kalomas - Parish Priest ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ ΤΗΣ ΗΜΕΡΑΣ

EPISTLE READING FOR THE DAY

ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ ΤΗΣ ΗΜΕΡΑΣ

GOSPEL READING FOR THE DAY

Εβρ 11:33 - 40;12:1-2

Άδελφοί, οἱ ἄγιοι πάντες διὰ πίστεως κατηγωνίσαντο βασιλείας, εἰργάσαντο δικαιοσύνην, ἐπέτυχον ἐπαγγελιῶν, ἔφραξαν στόματα λεόντων, ἔσβεσαν δύναμιν πυρός, ἔφυγον στόματα μαχαίρας, ένεδυναμώθησαν άπὸ άσθενείας, ἐνενήθησαν ίσχυροὶ ἐν πολέμω, παρεμβολάς ἔκλιναν άλλοτρίων. **ἔλαβον γυναῖκες ἐξ** άναστάσεως τοὺς νεκροὺς αὐτῶν. ἄλλοι δὲ έτυμπανίσθησαν, οὐ προσδεξάμενοι τὴν ἀπολύτρωσιν, ἵνα κρείττονος ἀναστάσεως τύχωσιν. έτεροι δὲ ἐμπαιγμῶν καὶ μαστίγων πεῖραν ἔλαβον, ξτι δὲ δεσμῶν καὶ φυλακῆς. έλιθάσθησαν, έπρίσθησαν, ἐπειράσθησαν, ἐν φόνω μαχαίρας ἀπέθανον, περιῆλθον ἐν μηλωταῖς, ἐν αἰγείοις δέρμασιν, ύστερούμενοι, θλιβόμενοι, κακουχούμενοι, ὧν οὐκ ἦν άξιος ὁ κόσμος, ἐν ἐρημίαις πλανώμενοι καὶ ὄρεσι καὶ σπηλαίοις καὶ ταῖς ὀπαῖς τῆς γῆς. Καὶ οὖτοι πάντες μαρτυρηθέντες διὰ τῆς πίστεως οὐκ ἐκομίσαντο τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν, τοῦ Θεοῦ περὶ ἡμῶν κρεῖττόν τι προβλεψαμένου, ἵνα μὴ χωρὶς ἡμῶν τελειωθῶσι. Τοιγαροῦν καὶ ἡμεῖς, τοσοῦτον ἔχοντες περικείμενον ἡμῖν νέφος μαρτύρων, ὄγκον ἀποθέμενοι πάντα καὶ τὴν εὐπερίστατον ἁμαρτίαν. δι' ὑπομονῆς τρέχωμεν τὸν προκείμενον ἡμῖν ἀγῶνα, άφορῶντες εἰς τὸν τῆς πίστεως άρχηγὸν καὶ τελειωτὴν Ἰησοῦν.

Heb. 11:33 – 40; 12:1-2

Brethren, all the saints 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 armies 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 tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, illtreated — 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. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses. let us also lay aside every weight, and sin that easily distracts, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us. looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

Mt 9:36 - 38, 10:1 - 8 Mt. 9:36 - 38;

Τῶ καιρῶ ἐκείνω, ἰδὼν ὁ Ίησοῦς τοὺς ὄχλους έσπλαγχνίσθη περὶ αὐτῶν, **ὅτι ἦσαν ἐκλελυμένοι καὶ** έρριμμένοι ὡς πρόβατα μὴ ἔχοντα ποιμένα. τότε λέγει τοῖς μαθηταῖς αὐτοῦ· ὁ μὲν θερισμός πολύς, οἱ δὲ έρνάται όλίνοι. δεήθητε οὖν τοῦ κυρίου τοῦ θερισμοῦ ὅπως ἐκβάλη ἐργάτας εἰς τὸν θερισμὸν αὐτοῦ. Καὶ προσκαλεσάμενος τοὺς δώδεκα μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ ἔδωκεν αὐτοῖς ἐξουσίαν πνευμάτων ἀκαθάρτων ὥστε ἐκβάλλειν αὐτὰ καὶ θεραπεύειν πᾶσαν νόσον καὶ πᾶσαν μαλακίαν. Τῶν δὲ δώδεκα ἀποστόλων τὰ όνόματά είσι ταῦτα· πρῶτος Σίμων ὁ λεγόμενος Πέτρος καὶ Άνδρέας ὁ άδελφὸς αὐτοῦ. Ἰάκωβος ὁ τοῦ Ζεβεδαίου καὶ Ἰωάννης ὁ ἀδελφὸς αὐτοῦ, Φίλιππος καὶ Βαρθολομαῖος, Θωμᾶς καὶ Ματθαῖος ὁ τελώνης, Ίάκωβος ὁ τοῦ Άλφαίου καὶ Λεββαῖος ὁ ἐπικληθεὶς Θαδδαῖος, Σίμων ὁ Κανανίτης καὶ Ἰούδας ὁ Ίσκαριώτης ὁ καὶ παραδοὺς αὐτόν. Τούτους τοὺς δώδεκα ἀπέστειλεν ὁ Ίησοῦς παραγγείλας αὐτοῖς λέγων είς όδὸν έθνῶν μὴ ἀπέλθητε καὶ εἰς πόλιν Σαμαρειτῶν μὴ εἰσέλθητε. πορεύεσθε δὲ μᾶλλον πρὸς τὰ πρόβατα τὰ ἀπολωλότα οἴκου Ἰσραήλ. πορευόμενοι δὲ κηρύσσετε λένοντες ὅτι ἤγγικεν ἡ βασιλεία τῶν ούρανῶν, ἀσθενοῦντας θεραπεύετε. λεπροὺς καθαρίζετε, νεκρούς έγείρετε, δαιμόνια ἐκβάλλετε. δωρεὰν ἐλάβετε, δωρεὰν δότε.

10:1-8

At that time, when Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first. Simon, who is called Peter. and Andrew his brother: James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector: James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus called Thaddaeus: Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out, charging them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And preach as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick. raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying, give without pay,"

HOLY CROSS CREEK CHURCH FEAST DAY



SEPTEMBER 8

4PM-11PM

ROAST PIG BY THE POUND Free Admission

FOOD + BAR + LIVE BAND + KID ZONE

SACRAMENTS AND 40 DAY CHILD BLESSINGS

Congratulations to Kristopher Athans and Sophia Fotos on your wedding .

Congratulations to Eleftheria Avgoustiou and Laisvunas Labanauskas

on your wedding.

Καλά Στέφανα

Congratulations to Javier and Kaliroy Rosas on the baptism of their son Elias.

Να σας ζήσει!

SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS

MARRIAGE SEMINAR 2024: August 10, October 12

AUG 1st-15th PANAGIA's FAST

AUG 5th Great Vesper for Transfiguration 7pm

AUG 6th Transfiguration of Christ, Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

AUG 15th Feast of Panagia 9:00am

AUG 29th Beheading of John the Baptist, Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

SEPT 6th Holy Cross International Fesitval Night; 4pm –11pm

SEPT 8th Panigiri Festival; 4pm –11pm

SEPT 13th Great Vespers of Holy Cross, 7pm

SEPT 14th Elevation of the Holy Cross, Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 10am

OCT 2nd Fall Catechism Classes start 7:30pm

Congratulations

1ST PLACE

Panayiota Haidos - Checkers 11-12 Petroula Haidos - Backgammon 8-10 Vasilis Xinos - Long Jump Boys 11-12

GOLD

Congratulations

2ND PLACE

Landon Vasilios Alexander - 50 yd Freestyle Boys 12 & under Vasilios Giannopoulos - Long Jump Boys 11-12 Georgia Haidos - Backgammon 13-15

Eliza Poulos - Girls Softball Throw 11-12 Vasilia Spyridakis - 25 yd Backstroke

Girls 10 & under

Vasilkia Spyridakis - 25 yd Freestyle Girls 12 & under Elena Stavros - Long Jump Girls 16-18



2ND PLACE

200 meter Relay Girls 8-10: Olivia Coclas, Ioanna Dalmares, Gianna Drakopoulos, Zoe Melone

3RD PLACE

200 meter Relay Girls 11-12: Nikoletta Drakopoulos, Magdalena Melonides, Eliza Poulos, Helena Poulos

200 Meter Relay Boys 11-12: Thanasi Derakis, Vasilios Giannopoulos, Zachariah Kokalias, Vasili Xinos



Congratulations

2ND PLACE

Table Tennis Doubles 13-15: Alexander Mastorakos Panayiotis Zervas

3RD PLACE

Bowling Co-Ed: Georgio Fotos, Alexander Mastorakos, George Mastorakos, Tara Mastorakos



3RD PLACE

Gianni Anagnopoulos - Softball Throw Boys 11-12

George Mastorakos - Checkers 16-18

Francieska Poulos - 50 yd Butterfly Girls 18 & under Francieska Poulos - 100 yd Freestyle Girls 18 &

Thrasyvoulos Spyridakis - 50 yd Backstroke

Boys 15 & under Vasilia Spyridakis - 50 yd Freestyle Girls 10 & under Evgenia Zervas - Girls Long Jump 13-15



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

Stewardship is not about giving our time, talents and treasures only, it is also about our salvation. As we celebrated Pascha we have entered almost the mid point of this year. Please look at your stewardship offering and if you haven't done so, fulfil it today. As always give the best to God's house for the gifts that He has given us.



MEMORIALS

Mary Kavroulakis, *1 Year*, Right Pew 1

Everyone is invited to our community hall to enjoy Fellowship.





