

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday May 4th, 2025

Sunday of the Myrrh Bearing Women



*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.*

Save the Date ***Sunday May 11th*** ***Mother's Day Brunch*** ***following*** ***Divine Liturgy*** ***Please RSVP to the office.***

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



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Πραξ 6:1 – 7

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις ἐκείναις, πληθύνοντων τῶν μαθητῶν ἐγένετο γογγυσμὸς τῶν Ἑλληνιστῶν πρὸς τοὺς Ἑβραίους, ὅτι παρεθεωροῦντο ἐν τῇ διακονίᾳ τῇ καθημερινῇ αἱ χῆραι αὐτῶν. προσκαλεσάμενοι δὲ οἱ δώδεκα τὸ πλῆθος τῶν μαθητῶν εἶπον· οὐκ ἄρεστόν ἐστιν ἡμᾶς καταλείψαντας τὸν λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ διακονεῖν τραπέζαις. ἐπισκέψασθε οὖν, ἄδελφοί, ἄνδρας ἐξ ὑμῶν μαρτυρουμένους ἐπτά, πλήρεις Πνεύματος Ἁγίου καὶ σοφίας, οὓς καταστήσομεν ἐπὶ τῆς χρείας ταύτης· ἡμεῖς δὲ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ διακονίᾳ τοῦ λόγου προσκαρτερήσομεν. καὶ ἤρρεσεν ὁ λόγος ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ πλήθους· καὶ ἐξελέξαντο Στέφανον, ἄνδρα πλήρη πίστεως καὶ Πνεύματος Ἁγίου, καὶ Φίλιππον καὶ Πρόχορον καὶ Νικάνορα καὶ Τίμωνα καὶ Παρμενᾶν καὶ Νικόλαον προσήλυτον Ἀντιοχέα, οὓς ἔστησαν ἐνώπιον τῶν ἀποστόλων, καὶ προσευξάμενοι ἐπέθηκαν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖρας. καὶ ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ ἠύξανε, καὶ ἐπληθύνετο ὁ ἀριθμὸς τῶν μαθητῶν ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ σφόδρα, πολὺς τε ὄχλος τῶν Ἰουδαίων ὑπήκουον τῇ πίστει.

Acts 6:1 – 7

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Μκ 15:43 – 16:8

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ ἐλθὼν Ἰωσήφ ὁ ἀπὸ Ἀριμαθαίας, εὐσχήμων βουλευτῆς, ὃς καὶ αὐτὸς ἦν προσδεχόμενος τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, τολμήσας εἰσῆλθε πρὸς Πιλάτον καὶ ῥήτησατο τὸ σῶμα τοῦ Ἰησοῦ. ὁ δὲ Πιλάτος ἐθαύμασεν εἰ ἤδη τέθνηκε, καὶ προσκαλεσάμενος τὸν κεντυρίωνα ἐπηρώτησεν αὐτὸν εἰ πάλαι ἀπέθανε· καὶ γνοὺς ἀπὸ τοῦ κεντυρίωνος ἐδωρήσατο τὸ σῶμα τῷ Ἰωσήφ. καὶ ἀγοράσας σινδὸνα καὶ καθελὼν αὐτὸν ἐνέλιψε τῇ σινδόνι καὶ κατέθηκεν αὐτὸν ἐν μνημείῳ, ὃ ἦν λελατομημένον ἐκ πέτρας, καὶ προσεκύλισε λίθον ἐπὶ τὴν θύραν τοῦ μνημείου. ἡ δὲ Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνὴ καὶ Μαρία Ἰωσή ἐθεώρουν ποῦ τίθεται. Καὶ διαγενομένου τοῦ σαββάτου Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνὴ καὶ Μαρία ἡ τοῦ Ἰακώβου καὶ Σαλώμῃ ἡγόρασαν ἀρώματα ἵνα ἐλθοῦσαι ἀλείψωσιν αὐτόν. καὶ λίαν πρῶτὴ τῆς μιᾶς σαββάτων ἔρχονται ἐπὶ τὸ μνημεῖον, ἀνατείλαντος τοῦ ἡλίου. καὶ ἔλεγον πρὸς ἑαυτάς· τίς ἀποκυλίσει ἡμῖν τὸν λίθον ἐκ τῆς θύρας τοῦ μνημείου; καὶ ἀναβλέψασαι θεωροῦσιν ὅτι ἀποκεκύλισται ὁ λίθος· ἦν γὰρ μέγας σφόδρα. καὶ εἰσελθοῦσαι εἰς τὸ μνημεῖον εἶδον νεανίσκον καθήμενον ἐν τοῖς δεξιοῖς, περιβεβλημένον στολὴν λευκὴν, καὶ ἐξεθαμβήθησαν. ὁ δὲ λέγει αὐταῖς· μὴ ἐκθαμβεῖσθε· Ἰησοῦν ζητεῖτε τὸν Ναζαρηνὸν τὸν ἐσταυρωμένον· ἡγέρθη, οὐκ ἔστιν ὧδε· ἴδε ὁ τόπος ὅπου ἔθηκαν αὐτόν. ἀλλ' ὑπάγετε εἰπατε τοῖς μαθηταῖς αὐτοῦ καὶ τῷ Πέτρῳ ὅτι προάγει ὑμᾶς εἰς τὴν Γαλιλαίαν· ἐκεῖ αὐτὸν ὄψεσθε, καθὼς εἶπεν ὑμῖν. καὶ ἐξελθοῦσαι ἔφυγον ἀπὸ τοῦ μνημείου· εἶχε δὲ αὐτὰς τρόμος καὶ ἔκστασις, καὶ οὐδενὶ οὐδὲν εἶπον· ἐφοβοῦντο γάρ.

Mk. 15:43 – 16:8

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.

Ἦχος β΄.

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ
ἢ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας,
τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ
τοὺς τεθνεώτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων
ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν
ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χρι-
στέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Ἦχος β΄.

Ὁ εὐσχήμων Ἰωσήφ, ἀπὸ τοῦ ξύλου κα-
θελὼν, τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, σινδόνι
καθαρᾷ εἰλήσας καὶ ἀρώμασιν, ἐν
μνήματι καινῷ κηδεύσας ἀπέθετο· ἀλλὰ
τριήμερος ἀνέστης, Κύριε, παρέχων τῷ
κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Ἦχος β΄.

Ταῖς Μυροφόροις γυναιξί, παρὰ τὸ
μνήμα ἐπιστάς, ὁ Ἄγγελος ἐβόα· Τὰ
μύρα τοῖς θνητοῖς ὑπάρχει ἀρμόδια· Χρι-
στὸς δὲ διαφθορᾷ ἐδείχθη ἀλλότριος·
ἀλλὰ κραυγάσατε· Ἀνέστη ὁ Κύριος,
παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Κοντάκιον τοῦ Πάσχα.

Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ
τοῦ ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ
ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, γυ-
ναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγγάμενος, Χαίρε-
τε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δω-
ρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων
ἀνάστασιν.

Resurrectional Apolytikion.

Mode 2.

When You descended unto Death, O Lord, You
who are immortal Life put Hades to death, by the
lightning of Your divinity. And when You raised the
dead from the netherworld, all the hosts of heaven
sang aloud to You, “O Christ God, Giver of life, glo-
ry to You!”

Mode 2.

When he took down Your immaculate
Body from the Cross, the honorable Jo-
seph wrapped it in a clean linen shroud
with spices and laid it for burial in a new
tomb. But on the third day You rose, O
Lord, and granted to the world the great
mercy.

Mode 2.

The Angel who had come to the sepulcher
said to the Myrrh-bearing women,
“Ointments are appropriate for mortal men;
but Christ is indeed a stranger to decay.
Now go proclaim that the Lord has risen
and granted to the world the great mercy.”

Kontakion of Pascha.

Mode pl. 4.

Though You went down into the tomb, O
Immortal One, yet You brought down the
dominion of Hades; and You rose as the
victor, O Christ our God; and You called
out “Rejoice” to the Myrrh-bearing women,
and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord
who to the fallen grant resurrection.

Come be part of

Holy Cross's Junior Olympic Team!

**Contact the church office for
registration information**

Ages 7-18



SACRAMENTS AND 40 DAY CHILD BLESSINGS

Congratulations to Panagiotis Margaritis and Athina Solomos
on their wedding this Sunday.

Καλά Στέφανα!

SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS

MARRIAGE SEMINAR 2025: *June 28th, August 9, October 11*

MAY 11th *Mother's Day Brunch*

MAY 18th *Philoptochos Meeting*

MAY 21st *Feast Day of St Constantine & Helen; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

MAY 24-25 *Jr. Olympics*

JUNE 7th *Saturday of the Souls*

JUNE 8th *Philoptochos Meeting*

JUNE 9th *Feast Day of the Holy Spirit*

JUNE 15th *Fathers Day*

JUNE 20, 21, 22 *June Festival*

AUG 1st *Paraklesis Service*

AUG 4th *Paraklesis Service*

AUG 6th *Transfiguration Feast Day*

AUG 8th *Paraklesis Service*

AUG 11th *Paraklesis Service*

AUG 13th *Paraklesis Service*

AUG 15th *Feast Day of Panagia Dormition*

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Tuesday May 6th 2025

***Inside Holy Cross
Church
gymnasium***

7PM

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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

The celebration of our Resurrected Lord, gives us the greatest sacrifice that was done for Christ's Church. This gives us the importance of the meaning of Stewardship; sacrifice and unconditional love. Therefore, let your Stewardship be also a renewal for your life and for God's Church. 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 greatest sacrifice that God gave of His Son.

MEMORIALS

Christos Sarolas, *40 Days*, Right Pews 1-4

Georgia Tsiones, *40 Days*, Left Pews 1

Eugenia Kourvas, *2 Years*, Left Pews 2-3

Angeleki Stopoulos, *23 Years*, Right Pews 1-4

Demetri Stopoulos, *35 Years*, Right Pews 1-4

Eleousa Sarolas, *38 Years*, Right Pews 1-4

Today's luncheon is provided by the family of Christos & Eleousa Sarolas in their memory. Everyone is invited to our community hall to enjoy Fellowship.



JOHN G. ADINAMIS

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



John G Adinamis was a 3rd generation funeral director in Chicago. He was known for his compassion and caring and his deep devotion to the Greek Orthodox community.

John was a fervent believer in stewardship especially helping the underserved in Chicago. Giving back was very important to John and his mission was to encourage youth to get involved and volunteer.

The purpose of this scholarship is to give financial assistance to college bound students of Greek American descent who demonstrate a strong commitment to community service and volunteerism.

Two \$1000 scholarships will be awarded yearly.

John G. Adinamis Memorial Scholarship

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Application deadline: May 30, 2025

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