

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, June 15th, 2025

The Sunday of All Saints



*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.*

Sunday June 29th ~ Graduates Sunday

*Call or email the office to acknowledge
the high school and college
graduates in your life.*

*Fr. John will honor them at
Sunday's service.*



~ English Bible Study ~

Monday, June 16th @ 7p.m.

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



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Εβρ 11:33 – 40; 12:1 – 2

Ἀδελφοί, οἱ ἅγιοι πάντες διὰ πίστεως κατηγωνίσαντο βασιλείας, εἰργάσαντο δικαιοσύνην, ἐπέτυχον ἐπαγγελιῶν, ἔφραξαν στόματα λεόντων, ἔσβεσαν δύναμιν πυρός, ἔφυγον 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 τύχωσιν· ἕτεροι δὲ ἐμπαιγμῶν καὶ μαστίγων πείραν ἔλαβον, ἔτι δὲ δεσμῶν καὶ φυλακῆς· ἐλιθάσθησαν, ἐπρίσθησαν, ἐπειράσθησαν, ἐν φόνῳ μαχαίρας ἀπέθανον, περιῆλθον ἐν μηλῳταῖς, ἐν αἰγείοις δέρμασιν, ὑστερούμενοι, θλιβόμενοι, κακουχούμενοι, ὧν οὐκ ἦν ἄξιος ὁ κόσμος, ἐν ἐρημίαις πλανώμενοι καὶ ὄρεσι καὶ σπηλαίοις καὶ ταῖς ὁπαῖς τῆς γῆς. Καὶ οὗτοι πάντες μαρτυρηθέντες διὰ τῆς πίστεως οὐκ ἔκομίσαντο τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν, τοῦ Θεοῦ περὶ ἡμῶν κρείττον 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, ἀφορῶντες εἰς τὸν τῆς πίστεως ἀρχηγὸν 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, 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. 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.

ΜΤ 10:32 – 33, 37 – 38, 19:27 – 30

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τοῖς ἑαυτοῦ μαθηταῖς· Πᾶς ὅστις ὁμολογήσει ἐν ἑμοὶ ἔμπροσθεν τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ὁμολογήσω καγὼ ἐν αὐτῷ ἔμπροσθεν τοῦ πατρὸς μου τοῦ ἐν οὐρανοῖς. ὅστις δ' ἂν ἀρνήσηταί με ἔμπροσθεν τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ἀρνήσομαι αὐτὸν καγὼ ἔμπροσθεν τοῦ πατρὸς μου τοῦ ἐν οὐρανοῖς. Ὁ φιλῶν πατέρα ἢ μητέρα ὑπὲρ ἐμὲ οὐκ ἔστι μου ἄξιος· καὶ ὁ φιλῶν υἱὸν ἢ θυγατέρα ὑπὲρ ἐμὲ οὐκ ἔστι μου ἄξιος· καὶ ὃς οὐ λαμβάνει τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ καὶ ἀκολουθεῖ ὀπίσω μου, οὐκ ἔστι μου ἄξιος. Ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ ὁ Πέτρος εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἰδοὺ ἡμεῖς ἀφήκαμεν πάντα καὶ ἠκολουθήσαμεν σοι· τί ἄρα ἔσται ἡμῖν; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι ὑμεῖς οἱ ἀκολουθήσαντές μοι, ἐν τῇ παλιγγενεσίᾳ, ὅταν καθίσῃ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπὶ θρόνου δόξης αὐτοῦ, καθίσεσθε καὶ ὑμεῖς ἐπὶ δώδεκα θρόνους κρίνοντες τὰς δώδεκα φυλὰς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ. καὶ πᾶς ὃς ἀφῆκεν οἰκίαν ἢ ἀδελφοὺς ἢ ἀδελφὰς ἢ πατέρα ἢ μητέρα ἢ γυναῖκα ἢ τέκνα ἢ ἀγροὺς ἕνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός μου, ἑκατονταπλασίονα λήψεται καὶ ζωὴν αἰώνιον κληρονομήσει. Πολλοὶ δὲ ἔσονται πρῶτοι ἔσχατοι καὶ ἔσχατοι πρῶτοι.

Mt. 10:32 – 33; 37 – 38; 19:27 – 30

The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.
ᾠχος πλ. δ΄.

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγ-
χνος, ταφήν κατεδέξω τριήμερον,
ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν πα-
θῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ ἀνάστασις
ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Τῶν Ἀγίων.
ᾠχος δ΄.

Τῶν ἐν ὅλῳ τῷ κόσμῳ Μαρτύρων
σου, ὡς πορφύραν καὶ βύσσον τὰ
αἵματα, ἡ Ἐκκλησία σου στολι-
σαμένη, δι' αὐτῶν βοᾷ σοι· Χριστέ
ὁ Θεός, τῷ λαῷ σου τοὺς οἰκτιρ-
μούς σου κατάπεμψον, εἰρήνην τῇ
πολιτείᾳ σου δώρησαι, καὶ ταῖς
ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Κοντάκιον.
ᾠχος πλ. δ΄.

Ὡς ἀπαρχὰς τῆς φύσεως, τῷ φυ-
τουργῷ τῆς κτίσεως, ἡ οἰκουμένη
προσφέρει σοι Κύριε, τοὺς θεο-
φόρους Μάρτυρας· ταῖς αὐτῶν
ἱκεσίαις, ἐν εἰρήνῃ βαθείᾳ, τὴν
Ἐκκλησίαν σου, διὰ τῆς Θεοτόκου
συντήρησον, πολυέλεε.

Resurrectional Apolytikion.
Mode pl. 4.

You descended from on high, O
compassionate One, and consented
to a three-day burial, to free us from
the passions. O Lord, our life and
resurrection, glory to You!

For the Saints.
Mode 4.

Your Church is arrayed in the holy
blood of Your Martyrs who witnessed
throughout the world, as though in
purple and fine linen. Through them
she cries to You, Christ our God,
“Send down to Your people Your ten-
der love, grant peace from above to
Your commonwealth, and to our
souls Your great mercy.”

Kontakion.
Mode pl. 4.

O Planter of creation, Lord, to You
does the entire world bring as an of-
fering the God-bearing martyr
Saints, as being nature's first fruits.
At their earnest entreaties, keep
Your Church in a state of profound-
est peace, through the Theotokos, O
Lord abundantly merciful.

HOLY CROSS

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

WINNERS!

TRACK & FIELD



- 🏅 Ioanna Dalmares: Girls (8/10)
50 Meter **Gold**
- 🏅 Girls (8-10) 4x50 Meter - **Gold**
Ioanna Dalmares, Nadia Bowden
Olivia Coklas, Giana Drakopoulos
- 🏅 Zoe Melone: Long Jump (10-12)
Bronze
- 🏅 Helena Poulos: Girls (11-12)
Long Jump **Gold**
- 🏅 Elena Stavros: Girls (16-18)
Long Jump **Gold**
- 🏅 John Kabro Boys (16-18)
800 Meter **Bronze**

CHECKERS/BACKGAMMON



- 🏅 Katerina Cacis: Checkers **Silver**
- 🏅 Panayiota Haidos Checkers
(13-15) **Gold**
- 🏅 Petroula Haidos Backgammon (11-12) **Gold**
- 🏅 Georgia Haidos Backgammon (13-15) **Silver**
- 🏅 Eleni Derakis: Checkers **Gold**
- 🏅 George Mastorakos: Checkers **Gold**

SWIMMING



- 🏅 Thrasyvoulos Spyridakis: **2 silver medals**
(50 yard freestyle & 100 yard freestyle)
- 🏅 Vasilia Spyridakis - **2 silver medals**
(50 yard freestyle & 25 yard freestyle)
- 🏅 Landon (Vasili) Alexander **bronze**
(25 yard freestyle)

BASKETBALL



Gold medal in Major Basketball Co-Ed

Landon (Vasili) Alexander
Katerina Cacis
Zac Dalmares
Thanasi Derakis
Nikoletta Drakopoulos
Sharbel Haig
Zachariah Kokalias
Zoe Melone
Helena Poulos
Eliza Poulos
Alex Reveliotis
Anesti Stavros
Thomas Vassiliou
Vasili Xinos



PING PONG



- 🏅 Pano Zerves & Alexander
Mastorakos: Doubles:
Bronze

SACRAMENTS AND 40 DAY CHILD BLESSINGS

Congratulations to Christina Mihalos & Paul Roumeliotis
on their wedding this Saturday.

Καλά Στέφανα!

SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS

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

JUNE 20, 21, 22 *June Festival*

JUNE 26th *Youth Outing Dave & Busters*

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*

OCT 4th *Blessing of the Animals; 11am; Rain or Shine*

OCT 4th *Kefi Sto Xorio*

NOV 14th *Boxing Night*



HOLY CROSS YOUTH OUTING

DAVE & BUSTER'S ROSEMONT

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APPRECIATION OUTING TO THANK OUR
ALTAR BOYS AND MYROPHORES
FOR ALL THEIR HARD WORK DURING
HOLY WEEK SERVICES

ALL YOUTH ARE WELCOMED!

APPITIZER BUFFET & \$20 GAME CARD

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THURSDAY
JUNE 26TH
\$35 per person

6:30 MEET UP TIME

★ PLEASE CALL OFFICE AT 708-594-2040 FOR RESERVATIONS ★

★ 9870 BERWYN AVE., ROSEMONT ★

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 have entered into the summer months and depart for our vacations, please do not take a vacation from your Church obligations. Stewardship is not just a once a year commitment, but 365 days throughout the year. Please look at your stewardship offering since we have reached the mid point of 2025 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 to us.

MEMORIALS

Kondylia Skarlatos, 5 Years, Right Pews 1-2

Everyone is invited to our community hall
to enjoy Fellowship.





HOLY CROSS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 4TH
AT 11 A.M.**

Bring your beloved pets to be blessed
by Fr. John. We will meet outside of the
church for the blessing. All animals are
welcome but must be leashed or caged
at all times.



THE BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS IS RAIN OR SHINE.



— JUSTICE —

GREEK

FOOD & MUSIC

FESTIVAL



Volunteer Signup!



We need
YOUR
help!

Scan the QR Code or follow this link to sign up:

<https://tinyurl.com/bdecb5x3>

HOLY CROSS GREEK FESTIVAL 2025



JUNE 20,21,22



Help us make this years festival a success! Please help sponsor this year's Greek Fest! These are the items needed:

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|------------------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 100 cases water | \$7/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 cont. Olives | \$120/each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 50 cases of Beer | \$40/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 boxes lemon juice | \$35/each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 cases plates | \$50/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 15 cases pork | \$160/case |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 cases cups | \$50/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 20 35lb shortening | \$50/case |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8 cases cutlery | \$25/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 10 50lb bags Uncle Bens | \$50/bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 25 Gyro Cones | \$130/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 10 5/10lb ice | \$35/pack |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15 cases Pita | \$50/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 cases walnuts | \$100/case |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 25 cases chicken | \$135/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 50lb Five Roses flour | \$40/bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8 case honey | \$50/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 7 cases unsalted butter | \$135/case |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 20 cases french fries | \$35/case | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 4/1gal Pepperoncini | \$35/each |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10 cans olive oil | \$35/each | Please help offset our costs by donating anything you can! If you can bring items, please call Holy Cross Office 708-594-2040. Make checks payable to Holy Cross Church. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 cases Spanakopites | \$60/case | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 cases Tiropites | \$60/case | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10 buckets Feta | \$125/each | | |

Thank you for your Donations!!



JUSTICE EUROPEAN NIGHT AT HOLY CROSS GREEK CHURCH



CELEBRATING SLAVIC, BALKAN + BALTIC CULTURE
SPECIAL PERFORMANCES BY TRADITIONAL DANCE TROUPES

FRIDAY JUNE 20, 4 PM - 11 PM

GREEK FOOD, PASTRIES, BAR, CAFE, FUN ZONE, MUSIC & DANCING

HOLY CROSS GREEK CHURCH
7560 S. ARCHER RD, JUSTICE, IL





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GREEK

FOOD & MUSIC

FESTIVAL

AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH



JUNE 20, 21, 22
FRI + SAT 4PM, SUN NOON

AUTHENTIC GREEK FOOD, PASTRIES, BAR, CAFE,
FUN ZONE, BAZZAR, DANCING, AND MORE...

**WITH SPECIAL PERFORMANCES BY OUR
KYMA DANCE TROUPE**

HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
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JUSTICE, IL

