# Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church Sunday June 22nd, 2025 2nd Sunday of Matthew



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.

# ~ Greek Bible Study ~

Wednesday, June 25th @ 10a.m.

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



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EPISTLE READING FOR THE DAY

Rom. 2:10 - 16

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GOSPEL READING FOR THE DAY

## Ρωμ 2:10 - 16

Άδελφοί, δόξα δὲ καὶ τιμὴ καὶ εἰρήνη παντὶ τῶ ἐργαζομένω τὸ άγαθόν, Ἰουδαίω τε πρῶτον καὶ ελληνι. οὐ γάρ ἐστι προσωποληψία παρὰ τῷ Θεῶ. ὅσοι γὰρ άνόμως ἥμαρτον, άνόμως καὶ ἀπολοῦνται καὶ ὅσοι έν νόμω ἥμαρτον, διὰ νόμου κριθήσονται. ού γὰρ οἱ ἀκροαταὶ τοῦ νόμου δίκαιοι παρὰ τῶ Θεῶ, ἀλλ' οί ποιηταὶ τοῦ νόμου δικαιωθήσονται. ὅταν γὰρ ἔθνη τὰ μὴ νόμον ἔχοντα φύσει τὰ τοῦ νόμου ποιῆ, ούτοι νόμον μὴ ἔχοντες ἑαυτοῖς εἰσι νόμος, οἵτινες ένδείκνυνται τὸ ἔργον τοῦ νόμου γραπτὸν έν ταῖς καρδίαις αὐτῶν, συμμαρτυρούσης αὐτῶν τῆς συνειδήσεως καὶ μεταξὺ ἀλλήλων τῶν λογισμῶν κατηγορούντων ἢ καὶ ἀπολογουμένων έν ἡμέρα ὅτε κρινεῖ ὁ Θεὸς τὰ κρυπτὰ τῶν άνθρώπων κατά τὸ εὐαγγέλιόν μου διὰ Ίησοῦ Χριστοῦ.

Brethren, glory and honor and peace for every one who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without ἀμφίβληστρον εἰς τὴν the law, and all who have sinned under the άλιεῖς καὶ λένει law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not δύο ἀδελφούς, the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

#### MT 4:18 - 23

Τῶ καιρῶ ἐκείνω, περιπατῶν παρὰ τὴν θάλασσαν τῆς Γαλιλαίας εἶδε δύο άδελφούς, Σίμωνα τὸν λεγόμενον Πέτρον καὶ Άνδρέαν τὸν ἀδελφὸν αὐτοῦ, βάλλοντας θάλασσαν ἦσαν γὰρ αὐτοῖς δεῦτε ὀπίσω μου καὶ ποιήσω ὑμᾶς άλιεῖς ἀνθρώπων. οἱ δὲ εὐθέως ἀφέντες τὰ δίκτυα ἠκολούθησαν αὐτῶ. Καὶ προβὰς έκεῖθεν εἶδεν ἄλλους Ίάκωβον τὸν τοῦ Ζεβεδαίου καὶ Ἰωάννην τὸν ἀδελφὸν αὐτοῦ, ἐν τῶ πλοίω μετὰ Ζεβεδαίου τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτῶν καταρτίζοντας τὰ δίκτυα αὐτῶν, καὶ έκάλεσεν αὐτούς, οἱ δὲ εὐθέως ἀφέντες τὸ πλοῖον καὶ τὸν πατέρα αὐτῶν ἠκολούθησαν αὐτῶ. Καὶ περιῆγεν őλην τὴν Γαλιλαίαν ὁ Ίησοῦς διδάσκων ἐν ταῖς συναγωγαῖς αὐτῶν καὶ κηρύσσων τὸ εὐαγγέλιον τῆς βασιλείας καὶ θεραπεύων πᾶσαν νόσον καὶ πᾶσαν μαλακίαν έν τῶ λαῶ.

#### Mt. 4:18 - 23

At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee. he saw two brothers. Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother. casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them. "Follow me, and I will make vou fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother. in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their boat and their father, and followed him. And Jesus went about all Galilee. teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

# Άπολυτίκιον Άναστάσιμον. Ήχος α΄.

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωήν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι Ζωοδότα. Δόξα τῆ ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῆ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῆ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

# Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode 1.

The stone having been sealed by the Pharisees and chief priests, \* and Your all-immaculate body being guarded by soldiers, \* You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. \* Then the powers of the heavens cried out to You, O Giver of Life, and shouted, \* "Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! \* Glory to Your eternal rule! \* Glory to Your plan for saving us, only benevolent God!"

## Κοντάκιον.

# ηχος β΄.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

# Kontakion.

### Mode 2.

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

# **SACRAMENTS AND 40 DAY CHILD BLESSINGS**

# Congratulations to Peter & Valerie Kotsiovos on the Baptism of their son Sam (Sotirios) today.

Να σας ζήσει!

## SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS

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

JUNE 26th Youth Outing Dave & Busters

AUG 1st Paraklesis Service; 7pm

**AUG 4th** Paraklesis Service; 7pm

AUG 6th Transfiguration Feast Day; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

AUG 6th Paraklesis Service; 7pm

AUG 8th Paraklesis Service; 7pm

**AUG 11th** Paraklesis Service; 7pm

AUG 13th Paraklesis Service; 7pm

AUG 15th Feast Day of Panagia Dormition; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

SEPT 8th Feast Day of the Birth of Panayia; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

**SEPT 14th** Feast Day of the Holy Cross

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

**OCT 4th** Kefi Sto Xorio

**OCT 30th** Pumpkin Carving

NOV 14th Boxing Night

**NOV 21st** Feast Day of the Presentation to the Mother of God to the Temple



#### **ALTAR BOY SERVERS**

#### STEWARDSHIP QUOTE

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.

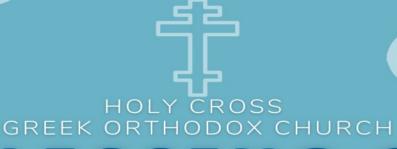
As we have entered into the summer months and depart for our vacations, please do not take a vacation from your Church obligations. Stewardship is not just a once a year commitment, but 365 days throughout the year. Please look at your stewardship offering since we have reached the mid point of 2025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

George Poulos, 1 Year, Right Pews 1-3

Todays coffee hour is hosted by the family of George Poulos in his memory. Everyone is invited to our community hall to enjoy Fellowship.





# 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.

