

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday October 26th, 2025

6th Sunday of Luke



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.

OXI Day ~ Tuesday October 28th, 2025

Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

Ημέρα του OXI ~ Τρίτη 28η Οκτώβριου

Όρθρος 9:00 π.μ., Θεία Λειτουργία 10:00π.μ.

Greek Bible Study / Μελέτη τού Ευαγγελίου

στα Ελληνικά

Tuesday October 28th ~ following divine liturgy

Τρίτη 28η Οκτώβριου ~ μετά τη θεία λειτουργία

Theme: Gospel of Matthew Chapter 1

Θέμα: Ευαγγέλιο του Ματθαίου Κεφάλαιο 1

All Week Day Divine Liturgy Services are as follows:

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



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Β΄ Τιμ 2:1 – 10

2 Tim. 2:1 – 10

Λκ 8:27 – 39

Lk. 8:26 – 39

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, ἐνδυναμοῦ ἐν τῇ χάριτι τῇ ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ, καὶ ἃ ἤκουσας παρ' ἐμοῦ διὰ πολλῶν μαρτύρων, ταῦτα παράθου πιστοῖς ἀνθρώποις, οἵτινες ἱκανοὶ ἔσονται καὶ ἐτέρους διδάξαι. σὺ οὖν κακοπάθησον ὡς καλὸς στρατιώτης Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ. οὐδεὶς στρατευόμενος ἐμπλέκεται ταῖς τοῦ βίου πραγματείαις, ἵνα τῷ στρατολογήσαντι ἀρέσῃ. ἐὰν δὲ καὶ ἀθλῇ τις, οὐ στεφανοῦται, ἐὰν μὴ νομίμως ἀθλήσῃ. τὸν κοπιῶντα γεωργὸν δεῖ πρῶτον τῶν καρπῶν μεταλαμβάνειν. νόει ἃ λέγω· δῶν γάρ σοι ὁ Κύριος σύνεσιν ἐν πᾶσι. Μνημόνευε Ἰησοῦν Χριστὸν ἐγγεγερμένον ἐκ νεκρῶν, ἐκ σπέρματος Δαυὶδ, κατὰ τὸ εὐαγγελίόν μου, ἐν ᾧ κακοπαθῶ μέχρι δεσμῶν ὡς κακοῦργος· ἀλλ' ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ οὐ δέδεται. διὰ τοῦτο πάντα ὑπομένω διὰ τοὺς ἐκλεκτούς, ἵνα καὶ αὐτοὶ σωτηρίας τύχωσι τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ μετὰ δόξης αἰωνίου.

Timothy, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me before many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier on service gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to satisfy the one who enlisted him. An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will grant you understanding in everything. Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descended from David, as preached in my gospel, the gospel for which I am suffering and wearing fetters like a criminal. But the word of God is not fettered. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain salvation in Christ Jesus with its eternal glory.

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐλθόντι τῷ Ἰησοῦ εἰς τὴν χώραν τῶν Γαδαρηνῶν ὑπήνητησεν αὐτῷ ἀνὴρ τις ἐκ τῆς πόλεως, ὃς εἶχε δαιμόνια ἐκ χρόνων ἱκανῶν, καὶ ἱμάτιον οὐκ ἐνεδιδύσκετο καὶ ἐν οἰκίᾳ οὐκ ἔμενεν, ἀλλ' ἐν τοῖς μνήμασιν. ἰδὼν δὲ τὸν Ἰησοῦν καὶ ἀνακράξας προσέπεσεν αὐτῷ καὶ φωνῇ μεγάλῃ εἶπε· τί ἐμοὶ καὶ σοί, Ἰησοῦ, υἱὲ τοῦ Θεοῦ τοῦ ὑψίστου; δέομαί σου, μὴ με βασανίσῃς. παρήγγειλε γὰρ τῷ πνεύματι τῷ ἀκαθάρτῳ ἐξελθεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ ἀνθρώπου. πολλοῖς γὰρ χρόνοις συνηρπάκει αὐτόν, καὶ ἐδεσμεῖτο ἀλύσει καὶ πέλδαις φυλασσόμενος, καὶ διαρρήσων τὰ δεσμὰ ἠλαύνετο ὑπὸ τοῦ δαίμονος εἰς τὰς ἐρήμους. ἐπηρώτησε δὲ αὐτόν ὁ Ἰησοῦς λέγων· τί σοὶ ἐστιν ὄνομα; ὁ δὲ εἶπε· λεγεῶν· ὅτι δαιμόνια πολλὰ εἰσῆλθεν εἰς αὐτόν· καὶ παρεκάλει αὐτόν ἵνα μὴ ἐπιτάξῃ αὐτοῖς εἰς τὴν ἄβυσσον ἀπελθεῖν. ἦν δὲ ἐκεῖ ἀγέλη χοίρων ἱκανῶν βοσκομένων ἐν τῷ ὄρει· καὶ παρεκάλουν αὐτόν ἵνα ἐπιτρέψῃ αὐτοῖς εἰς ἐκείνους εἰσελθεῖν· καὶ ἐπέτρεψεν αὐτοῖς. ἐξελθόντα δὲ τὰ δαιμόνια ἀπὸ τοῦ ἀνθρώπου εἰσῆλθον εἰς τοὺς χοίρους, καὶ ὥρμησεν ἡ ἀγέλη κατὰ τοῦ κρηνοῦ εἰς τὴν λίμνην καὶ ἀπεπνίγη. ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ βόσκοντες τὸ γεγεννημένον ἔφυγον, καὶ ἀπήγγειλαν εἰς τὴν πόλιν καὶ εἰς τοὺς ἀγρούς. ἐξῆλθον δὲ ἰδεῖν τὸ γεγονός, καὶ ἦλθον πρὸς τὸν Ἰησοῦν καὶ εὗρον καθήμενον τὸν ἀνθρώπον, ἃς οὐ τὰ δαιμόνια ἐξέληλυθαι, ἱματισμένον καὶ σωφρονούντα παρὰ τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ, καὶ ἐφοβήθησαν. ἀπήγγειλαν δὲ αὐτοῖς οἱ ἰδόντες πῶς ἐσώθη ὁ δαιμονισθεὶς, καὶ ῥώτησαν αὐτόν ὅταν τὸ πλήθος τῆς περιχώρου τῶν Γαδαρηνῶν ἀπελθεῖν ἀπ' αὐτῶν, ὅτι φόβῳ μεγάλῳ συνέιχοντο. αὐτὸς δὲ ἐμβὰς εἰς τὸ πλοῖον ὑπέστρεψεν. ἐδέετο δὲ αὐτοῦ ὁ ἀνὴρ, ἃς οὐ ἐξεληλύθει τὰ δαιμόνια, εἶναι σὺν αὐτῷ· ἀπέλυσε δὲ αὐτόν ὁ Ἰησοῦς, λέγων· ὑπόστρεφε εἰς τὸν οἶκόν σου καὶ διηγοῦ ὅσα ἐποίησέ σοι ὁ Θεός. καὶ ἀπῆλθε καθ' ὅλην τὴν πόλιν κηρύσσων ὅσα ἐποίησεν αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς.

At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.

Ἦχος γ´.

Εὐφραινέσθω τὰ οὐράνια, ἀγαλλιášθω
τὰ ἐπίγεια, ὅτι ἐποίησε κράτος ἐν
βραχίονι αὐτοῦ, ὁ Κύριος· ἐπάτησε τῷ
θανάτῳ τὸν θάνατον· πρωτότοκος τῶν
νεκρῶν ἐγένετο· ἐκ κοιλίας ᾗδου
ἐρρύσατο ἡμᾶς, καὶ παρέσχε τῷ κόσμῳ
τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Τοῦ Σεισμοῦ.

Ἦχος πλ. δ´.

Ὁ ἐπιβλέπων ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, καὶ ποιῶν
αὐτὴν τρέμειν, ρῦσαι ἡμᾶς τῆς φοβερᾶς
τοῦ σεισμοῦ ἀπειλῆς, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς
ἡμῶν, καὶ κατάπεμψον ἡμῖν, πλούσια τὰ
ἐλέη σου, πρεσβεΐαις τῆς Θεοτόκου,
μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

Τοῦ Ἀγίου.

Ἦχος γ´. Θεΐας πίστεως.

Μέγαν εὗρατο ἐν τοῖς κινδύνοις, σὲ
ὑπέρμαχον ἢ οἰκουμένην, Ἀθλοφόρε τὰ
ἔθνη τροποῦμενον. Ὡς οὖν Λυαίου κα-
θεΐλες τὴν ἔπαρσιν, ἐν τῷ σταδίῳ
θαρρύνας τὸν Νέστορα, οὕτως Ἅγιε,
Μεγαλομάρτυς Δημήτριε, Χριστὸν τὸν
Θεὸν ἱκέτευε, δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τὸ μέγα
ἔλεος.

Κοντάκιον.

Ἦχος β´.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν
ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεΐα, πρὸς τὸν Ποιη-
τὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἀμαρτωλῶν
δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς
ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πι-
στῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς
πρεσβεΐαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἢ
προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν
τιμῶντων σε.

Resurrectional Apolytikion.

Mode 3.

Let the heavens be glad. Let the earth re-
joice exceedingly. For the Lord has shown
strength with his arm. He trampled death
by death. He became the first-born of the
dead. Out of the belly of Hades, He has
rescued us, and to the world He has grant-
ed the great mercy.

For the Earthquake.

Mode pl. 4.

You who look upon the earth and make it
tremble, rescue us from the frightful threat
of earthquake, O Christ our God. Send
down Your abundant mercies on us, at the
intercession of the Theotokos, O only be-
nevolent Lord.

For the Saint.

Mode 3. Your confession.

All the world has you, its mighty champion,
* fortifying us in times of danger, * and de-
feating our foes, O Victorious One. * So, as
you humbled Lyaïos's arrogance * by giv-
ing courage to Nestor in the stadium, *
thus, O holy Great-martyr Demetrios, * to
Christ our God pray fervently, * beseeching
Him to grant us His great mercy.

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

No Sacraments

SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS

OCT 28th *Oxi Day; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

OCT 30th *Pumpkin Carving; 6pm*

NOV 2nd *Fall General Assembly*

NOV 9th *Philoptochos Meeting*

NOV 9th *Brookfield Tree Trim*

NOV 14th *Boxing Night*

NOV 21st *Feast Day of the Presentation to the Mother of God to the Temple;
Orthros 9am, 10am*

DEC 4th *Feast Day of St. Barbara; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

DEC 6th *Feast Day of St. Nicholas at St. Nicholas Oak Lawn*

DEC 7th *Philoptochos Meeting*

DEC 12th *Feast Day of St. Spyridon; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

DEC 17th *Feast Day of St. Dionysios; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

JAN 11th *Philoptochos Meeting*

FEB 8th *Philoptochos Meeting*

MAR 8th *Philoptochos Meeting*

APR 19th *Philoptochos Meeting*

MAY 17th *Philoptochos Meeting*



Join Holy Cross for a pumptacular time!

Pumpkin Carving Night

Thursday, October 30th at 6 p.m.

**Join us for a fun filled evening of pumpkin
carving fun. Pumpkins supplied.**

SEE YOU THERE !

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.	<i>As the leaves change and the harvest season surrounds us, we are reminded of God's abundant blessings. Fall is a season of gratitude to give thanks for the gifts we have received and to return a portion of those blessings back to the Lord. Just as the farmer sows with faith and reaps in joy, so too are we called to sow seeds of love, generosity, and commitment in our parish. Let us embrace this season with thankful hearts offering our time, talents, and treasures to the glory of God, so that His Church may continue to grow and bear fruit in the lives of all. Please look at your stewardship offering since we have reached the final quarter 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.</i>

MEMORIALS

Constantine V. Toullos, *5 Years*, Right Pews 1-2
Trisagion Prayer: Carolyn Lischett, *25 Years*

The family of Constantine Toullos will be hosting coffee hour in his memory.
Everyone is invited to our community hall to enjoy Fellowship.



A close-up, vertical view of the American flag, showing the blue field with white stars and the red and white stripes. The flag is draped and slightly folded, creating a sense of movement.

**Please Donate
CANDY!**

Mrs. Jacky's Soldiers

***local organization that sends
care packages to soldiers***

**Collection Bins
located in the Community Center**

October 12 - November 9

**Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church
7560 Archer Road, Justice**

**The Holy Cross Philoptochos
Thanks You in advance for your
support.**



PLEASE JOIN US FOR
OUR ANNUAL

FALL FOOD FESTIVAL



SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1

11AM-8PM



HOLY CROSS GYMNASIUM

**7560 ARCHER RD
JUSTICE, IL**

**Greek Chicken, Gyro, Pastichio, Souvlaki,
Loukoumades, and More!**

We look forward to seeing you there!

**For more information, contact the office at:
708.594.2040**



HOLY CROSS INVITES YOU TO ITS ANNUAL
BROOKFIELD ZOO
COMMUNITY TREE TRIM

COME AND HELP US DECORATE OUR PARISH TREE

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 9TH, 2025

AT 1:00PM

**LIMITED NUMBER OF
COMPLIMENTARY
TICKETS & PARKING
PASSES AVAILABLE.
ALL ARE WELCOME
BUT FAMILIES WITH
CHILDREN ARE FIRST
PRIORITY.**

**CONTACT THE
OFFICE AT
708-594-2040
TO RESERVE TICKETS.**

**ORNAMENTS WILL BE
DECORATED DURING
SUNDAY SCHOOL &
AFTER DIVINE LITURGY
& GREEK SCHOOL
CLASSES**





**HOLY CROSS GREEK
ORTHODOX CHURCH**

**CHRISTMAS
DECORATING
& LIGHTING
PARTY**

**16TH
NOV**

**4^P
M**

**REFRESHMENTS & SNACKS
FAMILY ACTIVITIES
CHRISTMAS MOVIE**

**BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY OUT TO CELEBRATE THE
CHRISTMAS SEASON BY JOINING US IN DECORATING
THE INSIDE AND LIGHTING THE OUTSIDE OF
OUR BEAUTIFUL CHURCH!**

**PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING AS PART OF OUR
CHRISTMAS APPEAL
~ \$100 PER STRAND DONATION OR FREE WILL ~
PLEASE GIVE WHAT YOU CAN.**

7560 S. Archer Rd., Justice, IL 60458

Anastasia Xinos, JD of
HUCK BOUMA^{PC}
presents

***Why Everyone Needs
an Estate Plan***

***Γιατί Όλοι
Χρειάζονται Σχέδιο
Περιουσίας***

Sunday November 23rd, 2025

*Inside Holy Cross
Church
gymnasium*

**Following
coffee hour**

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HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

5TH ANNUAL

BOXING NIGHT



**FRIDAY
NOVEMBER
14TH, 2025**

DOORS OPEN 6PM DINNER AT 7PM BOXING BEGINS AT 8:30PM

**TICKETS: \$125 PER ADULT - \$50 KIDS UNDER 16
\$1000 FOR TABLE OF 8 - \$1250 SPONSOR LOGO DISPLAY**



**APPETIZERS
FULL DINNER
OPEN BAR
8-10 BOXING
MATCHES**

PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS
HOLY CROSS MINISTRIES ★ JUSTICE POLICE DEPT.
TALLON GYM ★ LYME DISEASE FOUNDATION



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