

# *Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church*

Sunday January 25th, 2026

15th 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.*

## **English Bible Study**

*Monday, January 26th ~ 7p.m.*

*Theme: Matthew Chapter 10*

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*Friday, January 30th*

***~ Feast Day of the Three Hierarches ~***

*Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

*Παρασκευή, 30η Ιανουάριος*

***~ Εορτή των Τριών Ιεράρχων ~***

*Ορθρος 9:00 π.μ., Θεία Λειτουργία 10:00π.μ.*

*All Week Day Divine Liturgy Services are as follows:*

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



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**Εβρ. 7:26 – 28,  
8:1 – 2**

Ἀδελφοί, τοιοῦτος ἡμῖν  
ἔπρεπεν ἀρχιερεύς,  
ὁσιος, ἄκακος,  
ἀμίαντος, κεχωρι-  
σμένος ἀπὸ τῶν  
ἀμαρτωλῶν καὶ  
ὕψηλότερος τῶν  
οὐρανῶν γενόμενος,  
ὃς οὐκ ἔχει καθ’  
ἡμέραν ἀνάγκην,  
ὥσπερ οἱ ἀρχιερεῖς,  
πρότερον ὑπὲρ τῶν  
ιδίῶν ἀμαρτιῶν  
θυσίας ἀναφέρειν,  
ἔπειτα τῶν τοῦ λαοῦ.  
τοῦτο γὰρ ἐποίησεν  
ἐφάπαξ ἑαυτὸν  
ἀνενέγκας. ὁ νόμος  
γὰρ ἀνθρώπους κα-  
θίστησιν ἀρχιερεῖς  
ἔχοντας ἀσθένειαν, ὁ  
λόγος δὲ τῆς  
ὀρκωμοσίας τῆς μετὰ  
τὸν νόμον υἱὸν εἰς τὸν  
αἰῶνα τετελειωμένον.  
Κεφάλαιον δὲ ἐπὶ τοῖς  
λεγομένοις, τοιοῦτον  
ἔχομεν ἀρχιερέα, ὃς  
ἐκάθισεν ἐν δεξιᾷ τοῦ  
θρόνου τῆς μεγαλω-  
σύνης ἐν τοῖς οὐρα-  
νοῖς, τῶν Ἁγίων λει-  
τουργὸς καὶ τῆς  
σκηνῆς τῆς ἀληθινῆς,  
ἣν ἔπηξεν ὁ Κύριος,  
καὶ οὐκ ἄνθρωπος.

**Heb. 7:26 – 28;  
8:1 – 2**

Brethren, it was fitting  
that we should have  
such a high priest,  
holy, blameless, un-  
stained, separated  
from sinners, exalted  
above the heavens.  
He has no need, like  
those high priests, to  
offer sacrifices daily,  
first for his own sins  
and then for those of  
the people; he did this  
once for all when he  
offered up himself.  
Indeed, the law ap-  
points men in their  
weakness as high  
priests, but the word  
of the oath, which  
came later than the  
law, appoints a Son  
who has been made  
perfect for ever. Now  
the point in what we  
are saying is this: we  
have such a high  
priest, one who is  
seated at the right  
hand of the throne of  
the Majesty in heaven,  
a minister in the sanc-  
tuary and the true tent  
which is set up not by  
man but by the Lord.

**Λουκ. 19:1 – 10**

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, διήρ-  
χετο ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὴν  
Ἱεριχά· καὶ ἰδοὺ ἀνὴρ  
ὀνόματι καλούμενος Ζακ-  
χαῖος, καὶ αὐτὸς ἦν  
ἀρχιτελώνης, καὶ οὗτος  
ἦν πλούσιος, καὶ ἐζήτει  
ἰδεῖν τὸν Ἰησοῦν τίς ἐστι,  
καὶ οὐκ ἠδύνατο ἀπὸ τοῦ  
ὄχλου, ὅτι τῇ ἡλικίᾳ μι-  
κρὸς ἦν. καὶ προδραμὼν  
ἔμπροσθεν ἀνέβη ἐπὶ  
συκομορέαν, ἵνα ἴδῃ  
αὐτόν, ὅτι δι’ ἐκείνης  
ἡμέλλε διέρχεσθαι. καὶ  
ὥς ἦλθεν ἐπὶ τὸν τόπον,  
ἀναβλέψας ὁ Ἰησοῦς  
εἶδεν αὐτόν καὶ εἶπεν  
πρὸς αὐτόν· Ζακχαῖε,  
σπεύσας κατὰβηθι·  
σήμερον γὰρ ἐν τῷ οἴκῳ  
σου δεῖ με μείναι. καὶ  
σπεύσας κατέβη, καὶ  
ὑπεδέξατο αὐτόν  
χαίρων. καὶ ἰδόντες  
πάντες διεγόγγυζον  
λέγοντες ὅτι παρὰ  
ἀμαρτωλῷ ἀνδρὶ εἰσῆλθε  
καταλῦσαι. σταθεῖς δὲ  
Ζακχαῖος εἶπε πρὸς τὸν  
Κύριον· Ἰδοὺ τὰ ἡμίση  
τῶν ὑπαρχόντων μου,  
Κύριε, δίδωμι τοῖς πτω-  
χοῖς, καὶ εἴ τινός τι  
ἔσυκοφάντησα,  
ἀποδίδωμι τετραπλαῖον.  
εἶπε δὲ πρὸς αὐτόν ὁ  
Ἰησοῦς ὅτι σήμερον σω-  
τηρία τῷ οἴκῳ τούτῳ  
ἐγένετο, καθότι καὶ αὐτὸς  
υἱὸς Ἀβραάμ ἐστιν· ἦλθε  
γὰρ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ  
ἀνθρώπου ζητῆσαι καὶ  
σῶσαι τὸ ἀπολλωλός.

**Lk. 19:1 – 10**

At that time, Jesus was  
passing through Jericho.  
And there was a man  
named Zacchaeus; he  
was a chief collector,  
and rich. And he sought  
to see who Jesus was,  
but could not, on ac-  
count of the crowd, be-  
cause he was small of  
stature. So he ran on  
ahead and climbed up  
into a sycamore tree to  
see him, for he was to  
pass that way. And  
when Jesus came to the  
place, he looked up and  
said to him, “Zacchaeus,  
make haste and come  
down; for I must stay at  
your house today.” So  
he made haste and  
came down, and re-  
ceived him joyfully. And  
when they saw it they all  
murmured, “He has  
gone in to be the guest  
of a man who is a sin-  
ner.” And Zacchaeus  
stood and said to the  
Lord, “Behold, Lord, the  
half of my goods I give  
to the poor; and if I have  
defrauded any one of  
anything, I restore it  
fourfold.” And Jesus said  
to him, “Today salvation  
has come to this house,  
since he also is a son of  
Abraham. For the Son of  
man came to seek and  
to save the lost.”

**Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.**  
**Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.**

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος,  
ταφήν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς  
ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ  
ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

**Τοῦ Ἀγίου.**  
**Ἦχος α΄.**

Ὅποιμενικὸς αὐλὸς τῆς θεολογίας σου,  
τὰς τῶν ῥητόρων ἐνίκησε σάλπιγγας·  
ὥς γὰρ τὰ βάθη τοῦ Πνεύματος  
ἐκζητήσαντι, καὶ τὰ κάλλη τοῦ φθέγματος  
προσετέθη σοι. Ἀλλὰ πρέσβευε Χρι-  
στῷ τῷ Θεῷ, Πάτερ Γρηγόριε, σωθῆναι  
τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

**Κοντάκιον.**  
**Ἦχος α΄.**

Ὁμήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ  
σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεὼν εὐλόγησας  
ὥς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας  
ἡμᾶς Χριστέ ὁ Θεός. Ἀλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν  
πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον  
Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος  
φιλόανθρωπος.

**Resurrectioal Apolytikion.**  
**Mode pl. 4.**

You descended from on high, O compas-  
sionate 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 Saint.**  
**Mode 1.**

The shepherd's pipe of your theology over-  
powered the horns of the orators. For the  
more you plumbed the depths of the Spirit,  
ever greater eloquence was bestowed on  
you. O Father Gregory, intercede with  
Christ God, entreating Him to save our  
souls.

**Kontakion.**  
**Mode 1.**

You sanctified the womb of the Virgin by  
Your birth, and by Your presentation You  
blessed the hands of Symeon, when You  
came, and You saved us, O Christ our  
God. Now we pray You give peace to Your  
world at war, and let love for Your people  
prevail in all, O only benevolent Lord.

## **SACRAMENTS AND 40 DAY CHILD BLESSINGS**

**No Sacraments**

## **SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS**

**JAN 26th** *English Bible Study*

**JAN 30th** *Synaxis of the Three Hierarchs; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

**FEB 2** *Presentation of our Lord; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

**FEB 8th** *Philoptochos Meeting*

**FEB 8th** *Super Sunday Super Bowl Party; Details to Follow*

**FEB 14th** *1st Saturday of the Souls*

**FEB 14th** *Apokreatiko; Details to Follow*

**FEB 21st** *2nd Saturday of the Souls*

**FEB 28th** *3rd Saturday of the Souls*

**MAR 8th** *Philoptochos Meeting*

**APR 4th** *Saturday of Lazarus*

**APR 5th** *Palm Sunday*

**APR 12th** *Pascha*

**APR 19th** *Philoptochos Meeting*

**MAY 17th** *Philoptochos Meeting*



December 2025

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12/16

Metropolis of Chicago Foundation  
Receives Historic \$2.9 Million  
Bequest from Devoted Servant  
Leader Andy Efthim

12/18

Metropolis of Chicago Raises  
\$62,000 for HCHC Scholarship Fund

12/24

2025 Christmas Encyclicals



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

1/8

Metropolis of Chicago Vasilopita  
Celebration

2/13-16

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| ALTAR BOY SERVERS                                                                                                                                                   | STEWARDSHIP QUOTE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| 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. | <p><i>As we closed out the year of 2025, we thank all of you for your generous donations to our Stewardship offering. As we enter this new year of 2026 we kindly remind you to prayerfully take into consideration your new sacred commitment to your Stewardship offering for the year of 2026. Let us consider the boundless love of our Lord in which we just celebrated his Nativity. God gives us the greatest gift ever; His Son. What can we give in return? Our Stewardship commitment is that gift.</i></p> <p><i>Your Stewardship is not simply a financial obligation, but an expression of gratitude to God for His blessings, and a reaffirmation of our shared responsibility to support the life of His Holy Church. In this new year, may we each offer from the heart so that our parish may continue to flourish in faith, love, and service.</i></p> |

MEMORIALS

No memorials

Everyone is invited to our community hall to enjoy Fellowship.





COME WATCH THE BIG GAME LIVE ON THE BIG SCREEN

***FEBRUARY 8, 2026***



*INCLUDING DRINKS AND HOMEMADE BUFFET WITH SMOKED BRISKET, BBQ PULLED PORK,  
PHILLY CHEESESTEAK, GREEK CHICKEN WINGS AND 10 OTHER ENTRÉES!*

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