

# *Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church*

Sunday May 24, 2026

Fathers of the First Council



*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.*

## **Monday, May 25th ~ Δευτέρα 25η Μάιου**

***Fr. John will be across the street at Bethania Cemetery Memorial Day from 8:30am - 12:30pm. He suggests you get there early to have your gravestones read before it gets busy.***

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***Tuesday, May 26th ~ Τρίτη 26η Μάιου***

## **Greek Bible Study / Μελέτη τού Ευαγγελίου στα Ελληνικά**

***11am ~ 11 π.μ.***

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***Saturday, May 30th ~ Saturday of Souls ~  
Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am***

***Σάββατον, 30η Μάιου ~ Ψυχοσάββατον ~  
Όρθρος 9:00 π.μ., Θεία Λειτουργία 10:00π.μ***

***Weather permitting service will be at the large Monument  
at Bethania Cemetery***

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***For upcoming high school, college graduate & postgraduate students  
graduating this year, please contact the office at [office@holycrossil.org](mailto:office@holycrossil.org)  
to receive recognition on Graduation Sunday on Sunday, June 14th***

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



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Rev. Protopresbyter John N Kalomas - Parish Priest

**Πράξ. 20:16 –  
18, 28 – 36**

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις ἐκείναις, ἔκρινεν ὁ Παῦλος παραπλεύσαι τὴν Ἔφεσον, ὅπως μὴ γένηται αὐτῷ χρονοτριβῆσαι ἐν τῇ Ἀσίᾳ· ἔσπευδε γάρ, εἰ δυνατόν ἦν αὐτῷ, τὴν ἡμέραν τῆς πεντηκοστῆς γενέσθαι εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα. Ἀπὸ δὲ τῆς Μιλήτου πέμψας εἰς Ἐφεσον μετεκαλέσατο τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους τῆς ἐκκλησίας, ὡς δὲ παρεγένοντο πρὸς αὐτόν, εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· προσέχετε οὖν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ παντὶ τῷ ποιμνίῳ ἐν ᾧ ὑμεῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Ἅγιον ἔθετο ἐπισκόπους, ποιμαίνειν τὴν ἐκκλησίαν τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ Θεοῦ, ἣν περιποιήσατο διὰ τοῦ ἰδίου αἵματος. ἐγὼ γὰρ οἶδα τοῦτο, ὅτι εἰσαλεύονται μετὰ τὴν ἄφιξίν μου λύκοι βαρεῖς εἰς ὑμᾶς μὴ φειδόμενοι τοῦ ποιμνίου· καὶ ἐξ ὑμῶν αὐτῶν ἀναστήσονται ἄνδρες λαλοῦντες διεστραμμένα τοῦ ἀποσπᾶν τοὺς μαθητὰς ὀπίσω αὐτῶν. διὸ γρηγορεῖτε, μνημονεύοντες ὅτι τριετίαν νύκτα καὶ ἡμέραν οὐκ ἔπαυσάμην μετὰ δακρύων νοουθετῶν ἕνα ἕκαστον. καὶ τὰ νῦν παρατίθεμαι ὑμᾶς, ἀδελφοί, τῷ Θεῷ καὶ τῷ λόγῳ τῆς χάριτος αὐτοῦ τῷ δυναμένῳ ἐποικοδομῆσαι καὶ δοῦναι ὑμῖν κληρονομίαν ἐν τοῖς ἡγιασμένοις πᾶσιν. ἀργυρίου ἢ χρυσοῦ ἢ ἱματισμοῦ οὐδὲν ὀσπεθύμησα· αὐτοὶ γινώσκετε ὅτι ταῖς χρεαῖς μου καὶ τοῖς οὐσί μετ' ἐμοῦ ὑπῆρτησαν αἱ χεῖρες αὐταί. πάντα ὑπέδειξα ὑμῖν ὅτι οὕτω κοπιῶντας δεῖ ἀντιλαμβάνεσθαι τῶν ἀσθενοῦντων, μνημονεῦειν τε τῶν λόγων τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ, ὅτι αὐτὸς εἶπε· μακάριόν ἐστι μάλλον δίδοναι ἢ λαμβάνειν. καὶ ταῦτα εἰπὼν, θεις τὰ γόνατα αὐτοῦ σὺν πᾶσιν αὐτοῖς προσήξατο.

**Acts 20:16 – 18,  
28 – 36**

In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of the Lord and God, which he obtained with his own blood. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, 'it is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

**Ιωάν. 17:1 – 13**

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ ἐπάρας ὁ Ἰησοῦς τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς αὐτοῦ εἰς τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ εἶπε· πάτερ, ἐλήλυθεν ἡ ὥρα· δόξασόν σου τὸν υἱόν, ἵνα καὶ ὁ υἱός σου δοξάσῃ σε, καθὼς ἔδωκας αὐτῷ ἐξουσίαν πάσης σαρκός, ἵνα πᾶν ὃ δέδωκας αὐτῷ δώσῃ αὐτοῖς ζωῆν αἰώνιον. αὕτη δὲ ἐστὶν ἡ αἰώνιος ζωὴ, ἵνα γινώσκωσι σε τὸν μόνον ἀληθινὸν Θεὸν καὶ ὃν ἀπέστειλας Ἰησοῦν Χριστόν. ἐγὼ σε ἐδόξασα ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, τὸ ἔργον ἔτελείωσα ὃ δέδωκάς μοι ἵνα ποιήσω· καὶ νῦν δόξασόν με σύ, πάτερ, παρὰ σεαυτῷ τῇ δόξῃ ἣν εἶχον πρὸ τοῦ τὸν κόσμον εἶναι παρὰ σοί. Ἐφανερώσα σου τὸ ὄνομα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις οὓς δέδωκάς μοι ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου. σοὶ ἦσαν καὶ ἐμοὶ αὐτοῦς δέδωκας, καὶ τὸν λόγον σου τετηρήκασι. νῦν ἔγνωκαν ὅτι πάντα ὅσα δέδωκάς μοι παρὰ σοῦ ἐστίν· ὅτι τὰ ῥήματα ἃ δέδωκάς μοι δέδωκα αὐτοῖς, καὶ αὐτοὶ ἔλαβον, καὶ ἔγνωσαν ἀληθῶς ὅτι παρὰ σοῦ ἐξήλθον, καὶ ἐπίστευσαν ὅτι σύ με ἀπέστειλας. Ἐγὼ περὶ αὐτῶν ἔρωτῶ· οὐ περὶ τοῦ κόσμου ἔρωτῶ, ἀλλὰ περὶ ὧν δέδωκάς μοι, ὅτι σοὶ εἶσι, καὶ τὰ ἐμένα πάντα σὰ ἐστί καὶ τὰ σὰ ἐμένα, καὶ δεδόξασμαι ἐν αὐτοῖς. καὶ οὐκέτι εἶμι ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, καὶ οὗτοι ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ εἶσι, καὶ ἐγὼ πρὸς σὲ ἔρχομαι. πάτερ ἅγιε, τήρησον αὐτοὺς ἐν τῷ ὀνόματί σου ᾧ δέδωκάς μοι, ἵνα ὥσιν ἐν καθὼς ἡμεῖς, ὅτε ἤμην μετ' αὐτῶν ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, ἐγὼ ἐτήρουν αὐτοὺς ἐν τῷ ὀνόματί σου· οὓς δέδωκάς μοι ἐφύλαξα, καὶ οὐδεὶς ἐξ αὐτῶν ἀπώλετο εἰ μὴ ὁ υἱός τῆς ἀπωλείας, ἵνα ἡ γραφὴ πληρωθῇ. νῦν δὲ πρὸς σὲ ἔρχομαι, καὶ ταῦτα λαλῶ ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ ἵνα ἔχωσι τὴν χαρὰν τὴν ἐμὴν πεπληρωμένην ἐν αὐτοῖς.

**Jn. 17:1 – 13**

At that time, Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work which you gave me to do; and now, Father, you glorify me in your own presence with the glory which I had with you before the world was made. I have manifested your name to the men whom you gave me out of the world; yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you; for I have given them the words which you gave me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you did send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are mine; all mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in your name; those whom you have given me I have guarded, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves."

## **Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.**

### **Ἦχος πλ. β´. Αυτόμελον.**

Ἀγγελικαὶ Δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνήμά σου,  
καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν·  
καὶ ἴστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ ζητοῦσα  
τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας  
τὸν Ἄδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπὲρ αὐτοῦ·  
ὑπήνησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος  
τὴν ζωὴν. Ὁ ἀναστάς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν,  
Κύριε δόξα σοι.

## **Ἀπολυτίκιον τῆς Ἑορτῆς.**

### **Ἦχος δ´.**

Ἀνελήφθης ἐν δόξῃ, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς  
ἡμῶν, χαροποιήσας τοὺς Μαθητάς, τῇ  
ἐπαγγελίᾳ τοῦ ἁγίου Πνεύματος, βε-  
βαιωθέντων αὐτῶν διὰ τῆς εὐλογίας, ὅτι  
σὺ εἶ ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, ὁ Λυτρωτὴς τοῦ  
κόσμου.

## **Τῶν Πατέρων.**

### **Ἦχος πλ. δ´.**

Ὑπερδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς  
ἡμῶν, ὁ φωστῆρας ἐπὶ γῆς, τοὺς Πα-  
τέρας ἡμῶν θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν,  
πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς  
ὁδηγήσας. Πολυεύσπλαγγνε δόξα σοι.

## **Κοντάκιον τῆς Ἑορτῆς.**

### **Ἦχος πλ. β´. Αυτόμελον.**

Τὴν ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν πληρώσας οἰκονομίαν,  
καὶ τὰ ἐπὶ γῆς ἐνώσας τοῖς οὐρανόις,  
ἀνελήφθης ἐν δόξῃ, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς  
ἡμῶν, οὐδαμόθεν χωριζόμενος, ἀλλὰ  
μένων ἀδιάστατος, καὶ βοῶν τοῖς  
ἀγαπῶσί σε: Ἐγὼ εἶμι μεθ' ὑμῶν, καὶ  
οὐδεὶς καθ' ὑμῶν.

## **Resurrectional Apolytikion.**

### **Mode pl. 2. Automelon.**

When the angelic powers appeared at  
Your tomb, \* the soldiers guarding it feared  
and became as dead. \* And standing by  
the sepulcher was Mary, who was seeking  
Your immaculate body. \* Unassailed by  
Hades, You divested it of spoils. \* Then  
You met the Virgin. You granted life. \* O  
Lord, risen from the dead, glory to You!

## **Apolytikion of the Feast.**

### **Mode 4.**

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God,  
after You filled the Disciples with joy, by  
promising to send them the Holy Spirit, and  
You blessed them and established their  
faith, that You are the Son of God, the Re-  
deemer of the world.

## **For the Fathers.**

### **Mode pl. 4.**

Supremely glorified are You, O Christ our  
God, who established the holy Fathers on  
earth as beacons, and through them guid-  
ed us all to the true Faith. Most compas-  
sionate Lord, glory be to You!

## **Kontakion of the Feast.**

### **Mode pl. 2. Automelon.**

When You had fulfilled the dispensation for  
our sake, \* and united things on earth with  
the things in heaven, \* You were taken up  
thither in glory, O Christ our God, \* going  
not away from any place, \* but continuing  
inseparable, \* and to them that love You  
crying out: \* "I am with you, and there is,  
therefore, none against you."

## SACRAMENTS AND 40 DAY CHILD BLESSINGS

**No Sacraments**

## SAVE THE DATE AND EVENTS

**MARRIAGE SEMINAR:** *June 13th, Aug 8th, Oct 10th*

**MAY 26th** *Greek Bible Study; 11am*

**MAY 30th** *Saturday of Souls; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

**MAY 31st** *Pentecost*

**JUNE 1st** *Feast of the Holy Spirit; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

**JUNE 1st** *English Bible Study; 7pm*

**JUNE 9th** *Greek Bible Study; 11am last session of season*

**JUNE 14th** *Graduation Sunday*

**JUNE 26,27,28** *Greek Festival*

**AUG 3rd** *Paraklesis; 7pm*

**AUG 5th** *Great Vespers for Transfiguration; 7pm*

**AUG 6th** *Feast of the Transfiguration; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

**AUG 7th** *Paraklesis; 7pm*

**AUG 10th** *Paraklesis; 7pm*

**AUG 12th** *Paraklesis; 7pm*

**AUG 15th** *Feast Day of the Assumption; Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am*

**OCT 3rd** *Pet Blessing; 11am*



# THANK YOU

ALTAR BOYS & MYROPHORES

Thursday June 4  
at 7pm

JOIN US AT DAUE & BUSTERS ROSEMONT  
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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

*As we journey through the sacred season of Pascha and Pentecost, we are reminded the true stewardship flows from the empty tomb where Christ's Resurrection reveals the fullness of life, love, and sacrifice. To be a good Greek Orthodox steward is to offer back to God are time, talents, and treasures with gratitude reflecting the light of the Risen Lord in all we do. Just as Christ gave Himself freely for our salvation, so too are we called to give generously, live faithfully, and serve joyfully, proclaiming with our lives that Christ is Risen.*

*God loves the cheerful giver.*

## MEMORIALS

Nikolas Drakes, *1 Year*, Right Pews 1-4

Today coffee hour is hosted by the family of  
Nikolas Drakes in his 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, 2026**

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