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Celebrating 100 Years | 1923-2023

You are cordially invited to join G.A.P.A. for an evening of fellowship and memories at our

Centennial Gala

Celebrating 100 years of brotherhood, philanthropy, and service to the Greek-American community & beyond!

Saturday, December 9, 2023

Cocktails & Hors D'oeuvres: 6:00 PM | Dinner: 7:00 PM

Crowne Plaza Hotel Pittsburgh South

164 Fort Couch Road | Pittsburgh, PA 15241

Live music by the fabulous Stigma Band

Dinner & Dance - \$85 | Dance Only - \$25 (6:00 PM)

For reservations, please contact Joanne Melacinos at (412) 400-4607 or

Helen Valsamidis at (724) 777-5155 no later than Saturday, 11/25/2023.

"SING PRAISES TO OUR GOD, SING PRAISES"

THE ANNUAL PAN-ORTHODOX CHRISTMAS CONCERT
is Back!



**FEATURING: THE PAN-ORTHODOX CHOIR
OF GREATER PITTSBURGH, UNDER THE
DIRECTION OF FR. THOMAS SOROKA**

AND

**CHOIRS FROM MULTIPLE ORTHODOX
JURISDICTIONS**

Sunday, December 10, 2023, 4 pm

St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church
2110 Haymaker Road, Monroeville

SPONSORED BY: THE ORTHODOX CLERGY BROTHERHOOD OF GREATER PITTSBURGH

Fellowship following the concert Freewill offering to benefit various Orthodox Charities

Holiday Family Greek Night

Come join your parea for an evening of music, dancing, and fun!

Friday, December 29th
7 pm - Midnight
Holy Cross Community Center



\$250 for a table of 8
(Comes with 2 mezze platters)

\$25 for individual tickets

Cash Bar
Greek Cookie Table
Music by The Greek Company

Order your tickets online:
<https://bit.ly/GreekNight2023>



All proceeds benefit Holy Cross Philoptochos

* Cash & Check purchases will be made available during upcoming December Coffee Hours and at the event.

* We need volunteers! Contact Vasso at vassopaliouras@gmail.com if you can bartend, sell tickets at the door, set up &/or tear down.

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✠ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023 ✠

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 4:1-7

Brethren, I, a prisoner for the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all. But grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Gospel According to Luke 18:18-27 At that time, a ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.' " And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

Choral Concert

Featuring

The Byzantine Choir
of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh

and

The St. Elijah Serbian Orthodox Church Choir

singing sacred a cappella choral music from the Byzantine and Slavic traditions to celebrate the Nativity season.

Saturday, December 23
St. Elijah Serbian Orthodox Church
2200 Main Street

Aliquippa, PA
5 pm - Vespers
6 pm - Concert
Light Refreshments to follow
Free admission, non-perishable items accepted for donation

Coffee Hour is sponsored by Philoptochos today.

THIS WEEK:

Monday, November 27 **6:30pm Paraclesis**
7pm Parish Council Seminar @ Ypapanti

Tuesday, November 28 **7pm Sts. Mary and Martha**

Wednesday, November 29 **4:30PM GREEK SCHOOL**
6:45 GOYA Basketball
7PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, November 30 **Apostle Andrew**
8:15am Orthros
9:30am Divine Liturgy

Friday, December 1 6pm JOY Christmas Party-Old Social Hall
6:36pm GOYA Christmas Party

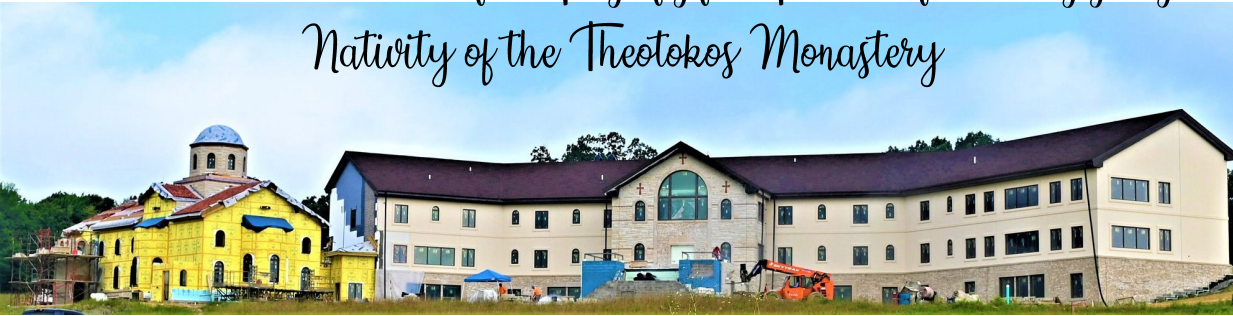
Saturday, December 2 **5pm Vespers**

Memorials: John Hiras 3 years
George Zanic 4½ years
Irene Kontos 29 years
Constantine Kontos 29 years
Eleni Zanic 30 years
Evangelos Zanic 51 years
Agapitos Kontos 80 years

The Cross in the Old Testament
Tuesday, November 28, 2023, 7pm-9pm
Speaker: Fr. Andrew Athanasiou
At the home of Cynthia Raftis
800 Valleyview Drive, Mt. Lebanon 15243
RSVP Text 412-427-7407

The nuns from Saxonburg (see construction photo below) will be joining us next Sunday, December 3 with their beautiful display of gifts to purchase for holiday giving.

Nativity of the Theotokos Monastery



Dear Holy Cross Family,

The 2023 Christmas Angel Project for Neighborhood Resilience has begun!

Angel gift requests will be available in the narthex TODAY Sunday, November 26th. If you are unable to pick up a gift requests, call or email Grace Myers at 412-742-1285 or grace.m.myers@gmail.com, and she will be able to provide you with one.

Please return gifts wrapped and with tags attached by next Sunday, December 3rd.

Thank you in advance for your generosity! ~Grace Myers



Blood Drive



**Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church
Blood Drive In Memory of
Kathy Frommeyer**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16
8:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.**

OLD SOCIAL HALL

To schedule an appointment to donate:

- Go to vitalant.org and search with Account Code **10055301** or by zip code.
- Call 1-877-25VITAL.
- Or scan this code for a list of all available times:

**PLEASE
pre-schedule
your appointment!**

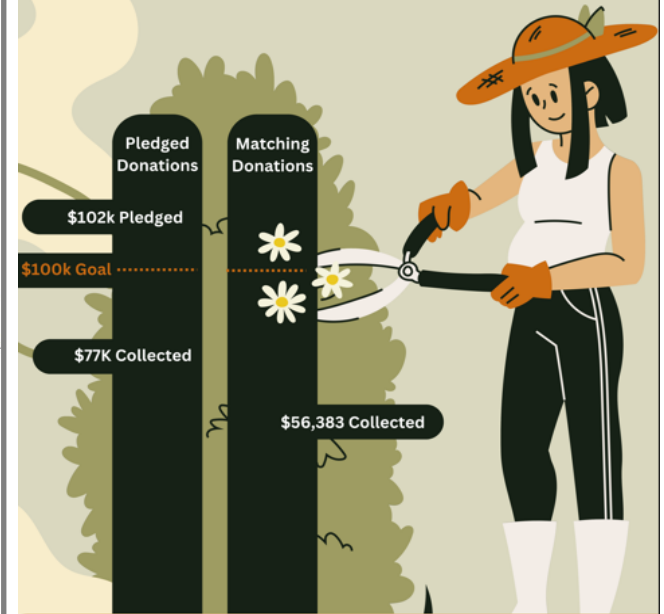


APPOINTMENTS RECOMMENDED

GIVE BLOOD TODAY | vitalant.org



**LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE
MATCHING FUNDRAISER**



IT CAN'T BE COMPLETED WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT!

**2023
Holy Cross
Christmas Pageant**



Sunday, December 24
Immediately following Liturgy in the Sanctuary

Rehearsal: Sunday, December 17 during Sunday School

We encourage all Sunday School-age children (pre-K through 12th grade) to participate and if possible to attend the rehearsal.

Please contact Elias Diamond, ediamondhcgph@gmail.com, to let us know if your child/children can participate. Thank you!

**Oh
what
FUN**

**HOLY CROSS GOYA
FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

DECEMBER 1ST AT 6:36 PM
HOLY CROSS COMMUNITY CTR