The Sacred Icons of

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church

PHASE I



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It is a great joy to share that we have the blessed opportunity to embark on the next steps of completing our Sanctuary. The Church, the place we gather for worship, is a reflection of God's love for us and is the place where we find heaven and earth coming together.

Here, we stand in His presence, adoring and offering ourselves to Him. St. Luke the Evangelist created the first icons of Christ, The Panagia, and Sts. Peter and Paul. As a result, we know what the Panagia looked like. Had it not been for an icon, we would never have known of the existence of certain Saints. Icons are fundamental to our Orthodox faith.

"The invisible things of God that have been made visible through images since the creation of the world."

- St. John of Damascus

On our walls, we will see unfolding the events that mark our walk toward salvation. We understand that we are part of God's family from the beginning of Creation to the Second Coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, at the appointed time.

ICONOGRAPHY IS A REFLECTION OF THE DIVINE BECOMING VISIBLE

St. John of Damascus wrote, "In times past, God, without body and form, could in no way be represented. But now, since God has appeared in flesh and lived among men, I can depict that which is visible of God. I do not venerate the matter, but I venerate the Creator of matter, who became matter for me, who condescended to live in matter, and who, through matter, accomplished my salvation; and I do not cease to respect the matter through which my salvation is accomplished."

The saints bear witness that God is with us and will always be with us even to the close of the age. Each person is a reflection of the divine image and likeness of God. Our iconography reminds us of the divine life we are called to experience and participate in, in this life. Together, we prepare for the entrance into the heavenly realm which St. Paul describes, "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." — I Cor. 2:9

Please join us in this historic moment and give a legacy gift knowing that this offering will stand until the Lord returns in glory.

On behalf of the Iconography Committee, we are very grateful for your support and appreciate any contribution to this important milestone in our Church. The generations to follow that will enter Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church will benefit long into the future!

SMALL ICONS

DONOR OPPORTUNITY	COST
CEILING (Four Evangelists)	
A1 St. Matthew	\$25,000
A2 St. Mark	\$25,000
A3 St. Luke	\$25,000
A4 St. John	\$25,000
The Old Testament symbols mark the unique characteristics of	^f each evangelist.
A5 Eagle	\$25,000
A6 Ox	\$25,000
A7 Lion	\$25,000
A8 Young Man - Ezekiel 1:10	\$25,000



A. CEILING



DONOR OPPORTUNITY	COST
FRONT LEFT (Women Ruler Saints)	
9 St. Catherine	\$25,000
10 St. Irene	\$25,000
11 St. Theophano	\$25,000



DONOR OPPORTUNITY	COST
FRONT LEFT INSIDE WALL	
12 St. Haralambos*	\$25,000
13 St. Parthenios*	\$25,000
14 St. Nektarios	\$25,000
15 St. John Maximovich	\$25,000

^{*}Hierarchs whose relics are in the Altar Table





DONOR OPPORTUNITY	COST
These icons won't be fully visible from the pews. (Two icons will only be visible if you are within the Altar and two will be partially viewable from the pews.)	
16 St. Spyridon	\$25,000
17 St. Nicholas	\$25,000
18 St. Andrew of Crete	\$25,000
19 St. Cyril of Alexandria	\$25,000

DONOR OPPORTUNITY	COST
FRONT RIGHT INSIDE WALL (Hierarchs who blessed our homeland of America and served in America)	
20 St. Gerasimos of Abydos, Bishop of Pittsburgh	\$25,000
21 Nicholas Velimirovich	\$25,000
22 Innocent of Alaska	\$25,000
23 Raphael of Brooklyn	\$25,000





DONOR OPPORTUNITY	COST
FRONT RIGHT	
24 Sts. Demetrios	\$25,000
25 St. George*	\$25,000
26 St. Phanourios	\$25,000

^{*}Relics are in the Altar Table



DONOR OPPORTUNITY	COST
MARBLE SECTION ABOVE LEFT AND RIGHT DOORWAY	
27 St. Philothea of Athens, St. Markella of Chios, and St. Nina of Georgia	\$15,000
28 St. Luke the Surgeon of Crimea, St. Isidoros of Chios, & St. Iakovos of Evia	\$15,000







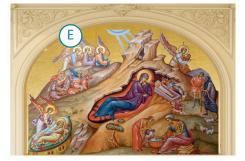
LARGE ICONS

DONOR OPPORTUNITY	COST
B Two adoring Angels surrounding the Platitera Icon (large single icon)	\$75,000
c Resurrection	\$75,000
D Pentecost	\$75,000
E Nativity	\$75,000
F Y Papanti	\$75,000
G Annunciation Panagia + Archangel Gabriel	\$75,000
H The Image Not Made by Hands with the Holy Angels	\$50,000



















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