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## 🕸 Sunday, January 19, 2025 🕸

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:4-11

Brethren, when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

## **Gospel According to Luke 17:12-19**

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus's feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him: "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."



## **House Blessings**

Every year, on the Feast of Epiphany, Orthodox Christians around the world have a blessing of the waters to celebrate the Baptism of Christ as well as the revealing of the Holy Trinity to mankind. We then received the blessing of this Holy Water to renew ourselves in Christ and to remind ourselves that through Christ all things are again made clean. We also extend that blessing to the homes in which we live, to wipe away temptations and attacks that might lead us away from Christ.

If you wish to have Fr. Michael come and bless your home, please complete this form and return it to the Church office at your earliest convenience. Please <u>**PRINT**</u> clearly.

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Street Address:\_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip\_\_\_\_\_

Please suggest THREE (3) dates and times for your house blessing **STARTING JANUARY 5TH** 

(You will receive a call confirming date and time of blessing.)





*Please prepare the following, to the best of your abilities, for the blessing:* 

- 1) Make an effort to have the entire family present.
- 2) Set out an Icon in a central area of the house where the prayer service will begin.
- 3) Write two lists of names, one of the living and one of the departed family members for whom you would like the Priest to pray during the house blessing.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to fill out and return this form, either in the basket in the narthex or to:

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church, 123 Gilkeson Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228

## We are extremely grateful for the outpouring of love and support for our <u>Holy Cross Iconography project!</u>

Thank you to the many who have pledged partial and full support to the icons. All of our efforts today are in preparation for this tremendous project to take place in July 2025.

We prayerfully ask you to consider supporting this project and creating a legacy for your family. No gift is considered small and can be fulfilled over three years (2024, 2025 & 2026).

May you and your family be blessed for what you can offer this project. All donation amounts are appreciated and can be contributed to the overall project or join with others for a specific icon.

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Icons still available include:

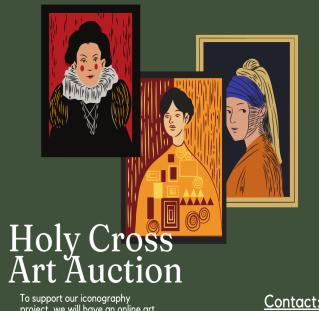
<u>The Four Evangelists</u>: St. Mark\*

<u>The Old Testament symbols for each evangelist</u>: Eagle, Ox, Lion, Young Man

<u>Saints:</u>

St. Andrew of Crete\* St. Cyril of Alexandria St. Gerasimos of Abydos\* St. Nicholas Velimirovich St. Innocent of Alaska St. Raphael of Brooklyn

Large Icons: Pentecost



To support our iconography project, we will have an online art auction in March! We'd love to showcase the many talented artists in our community. To learn more, contact Vasso Paliouras: \*Some icons listed may already have a partial donor, and your commitment may help complete that one." Please contact Vasso Paliouras at <u>vassopaliouras@gmail.com</u> or 412-606-4314 with any questions or specific requests.

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