


✠ SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025 ✠ THOMAS SUNDAY ✠

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 5:12-20 In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

Gospel According to John 20:19-31 On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe." Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and My God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing, you may have life in His name.

TODAY: *Coffee Hour is sponsored by Parish Council today.*



THIS WEEK:

Monday, April 28

10am– 5pm Souzoukakia

Tuesday, April 29

10am– 5pm Souzoukakia
7pm Sts. Mary & Martha

Wednesday, April 30

10am– 5pm Souzoukakia
4:30PM GREEK SCHOOL

Thursday, May 1

7PM CATECHISM CLASS

Friday, May 2

Saturday, May 3

Metropolis St. Photios Banquet

GOLDEN CLUB: Join us on **Friday, May 16th**, as we travel by van for a two-hour guided walking tour of the Carrie Blast Furnaces, a National Historic Landmark.

Arrive at Church by 8:45 a.m. for 9 a.m. departure.

As a remnant of the legendary U.S. Steel Homestead Works, the Carrie Blast Furnaces are a vestige of Pittsburgh's 20th Century domination of the steel industry. "Carrie" entices visitors to marvel at the scale and legacy of its industrial might. As the majority of the tour is outside, please dress for the weather (rain or shine). Additionally, the grounds are uneven; sneakers or boots are recommended; no open-toed shoes. Hard hats will be provided, and all visitors will be asked to sign a liability waiver. The tour fee is \$22, payable by check to Rene Koett (**NOT** Golden Club). Please mail payments to Rene Koett, 2285 Sidgefield Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15241. Before mailing your check, please RSVP by texting/calling Rene's cell **ONLY**, 412-559-1729, by May 5th, to assure that a seat is still available on the van. Following the tour, as always, we will dine at a local restaurant!

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church
53rd Annual Food Festival

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church in Mt. Lebanon will be hosting its 53rd Annual Food Festival on **June 9-13, 2025**. We thank you for your past support and encourage you to participate in making this year's Food Festival Ad Book a success. We plan on hosting thousands of guests at this year's festival to share our culture and our faith! Your generous donation will help support this endeavor, allow you to promote your business or cause, as well as support the mission of Holy Cross!

Please indicate the level of sponsorship and complete the requested information below. You may include camera ready art and ad copy by attaching with your remittance. The deadline for placing an advertisement or personal message in the Food Festival Ad Book is **Friday, May 23, 2025**.

Other sponsorship opportunities are available! Should you have any questions, please contact:
Philip Yamalis (412) 606-0092 – psaltipgy@gmail.com -or-
Chronis Manolis (412) 612-8129 - chronismanolis87@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT

Sponsorship Application Form – Holy Cross Annual Food Festival				
Name:		Amount:		
Address:		E-Mail:		
City:	State:	Zip:		
Contact Person:		Phone:		
Application deadline: May 23, 2025 <i>Payment must accompany application for placement.</i>				
Page Size	Actual Size	Location	Cost	Mark with an X
2 Full Pages Color Centerfold	11 x 8-1/2"	Centerfold (Includes Sponsorship)	\$ 3100	
2 Full Pages Color Adjacent	11 x 8-1/2"	Adjacent 2 pages (Includes Sponsorship)	\$ 2550	
Full page - Color	5-1/2 x 8-1/2"	Back cover (Includes Sponsorship)	\$ 2550	
Full page - Color	5-1/2 x 8-1/2"	Inside back cover (Includes Sponsorship)	\$ 1850	
Full page - Color	5-1/2 x 8-1/2"	Inside front cover (Includes Sponsorship)	\$ 1850	
Full page - Color	5-1/2 x 8-1/2"	(Includes Video Ad)	\$ 1250	
Full page - Black & White	5-1/2 x 8-1/2"		\$ 825	
Half page - Black & White	5-1/2 x 4-1/4"		\$ 450	
Quarter page - Black & White	5-1/2 x 2"		\$ 250	
Patron	One line listing		\$ 50	
Donation				
<i>Please make check payable to: Holy Cross Church Food Festival.</i> Mail to: Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church, ATTN: Food Festival Ad Book 123 Gilkeson Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228				



2025 Cooking Schedule *

Dear Holy Cross Family,...We invite you to contribute your time—whether a little or a lot—as we prepare for the upcoming 2025 Festival. This year, we are excited to extend the celebration to five days, so we will need additional help with preparations. We have included evening and Saturday opportunities to fit various schedules and make it easier for everyone. Please take a moment to print this message and place it on your fridge. We encourage you to consider how you can assist us in making this event a success. Thanks!

Syrup	No Help Necessary	Wed 4/30 th Thu-Sun May 1 st – May 4 th will be prepped late evenings
Koulourakia	11,000 pieces	Saturday, March 29: 10:00a – 5:00p
Tiropitas	2400 pieces 100 trays	Sunday March 30th After Church March 31 st April 1 st 10am-5pm
Koulourakia		Tuesday April 8 th 5-9p Sat May 10 th 9a-5p Thursday, April 24: 5:00 pm -9pm
Baklava	6,912 pieces 144 pans	Wed April 9 th 10-5 pm Wed April 22 rd 9-3am and 5-9pm Thu April 23 rd 9a-3p and 5-9p Sat , April 26 – after 9am Sun, April 27 12p – 6p
Souzoukakia	2,964 pieces	Monday, April 28 10a-5p Tuesday, April 29 10a-5p Wednesday, April 30 10a-5p
Pastitsio	2,540 pieces 127 pans	Monday, May 5 (prep) Tuesday, May 6 10a-5p Wednesday, May 7 10a-5p
Galatoboureko	1,449 pieces	Monday, May 12 (prep only) Tuesday, May 13 10a-6p Wednesday, May 14 (cutting)
Kourambiedes	3,318 pieces	Tuesday, May 20 10a-5p Wednesday, May 21 10a-5p Thursday, May 22 10a-5p
Finikia	2,274 pieces	Thurs May 15 th 10a Friday May 16 th 3-9p Dipping May 29 th and 30th
Karidopita	960 pieces	Fri May 16th 10a Sat May 17th 10a Sun May 18 th after service
Shank sauce	A Bunch	May 23 rd 10 M May 27 th 10 AM
Pastry Prep ... Sampler cupping and boxing		Sun June1st after service

***Reminder texts and voicemails will be sent before each prepped item.**
Times and dates are subject to change