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✠ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 ✠ ELEVATION OF THE CROSS ✠

**The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 1:18-24** Brethren, the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the cleverness of the clever I will thwart." Where is the wise man? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

**Gospel According to John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30** At that time, when the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no crime in him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law he ought to die, because he has made himself the Son of God."

When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid; he entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore he who delivered me to you has the greater sin." When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called the Pavement, and in Hebrew, Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek.

But standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. Then when Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, "It is finished"; and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

## THIS WEEK:

*Monday, September 15* 6:30pm Paraclesis

*Tuesday, September 16* 8:30am Golden Club Outing  
7pm Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 17 *St. Sophia & daughters Faith, Hope and Love*  
**8:15am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy**  
 4:15PM GREEK SCHOOL REGISTRATION and classes begin  
 7PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, September 18    10am Souzoukakia and Chicken Rolls  
7PM CATECHISM CLASS

Friday, September 19

Saturday, September 20 5pm Great Vespers  
6pm GLENDI→

**GOLDEN CLUB:** Join us on **Tuesday, September 16**, as we travel by van to the **Flight 93 National Memorial**. (No entrance fee.) Please meet at church no later than 8:30am. Space on van is limited; **RSVP by Tues, Sept 9** to Cynthia 412.722.9512 or Rene 412.559.1721

# holy cross GREEK school

*begins its new academic year!*

**Registration and first class on  
Wednesday, September 17th at 4:15pm**  
See CROSSROADS for more info.

## Autumn Food Fair Cooking

Thursday, 9/18

10am Souzoukakia and Chicken Rolls


Tuesday, 9/23

11am Spanakopita & Tiropita  
*following Liturgy*

Thursday, 9/25

10am Dolmathes and Beef Stifado



 Please join us for a very special  
Philoptochos sponsored  
Feast Day Luncheon/Coffee hour!

OPA!  
YOU'RE INVITED TO A  
GREEK VILLAGE-STYLE  
**GLENDI!**

Get ready for an unforgettable night in Pittsburgh with  
**GREEK MUSIC, DANCING, FOOD AND KEFI!**

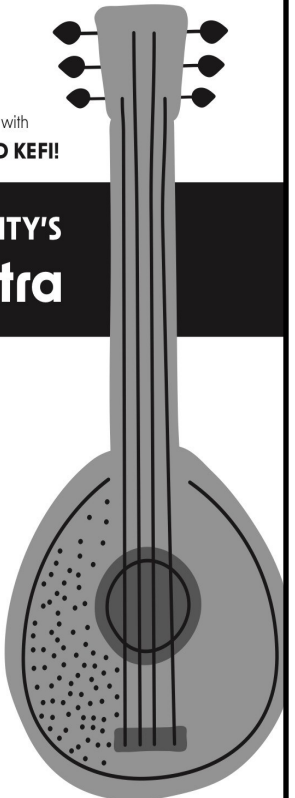
FEATURING NEW YORK CITY'S  
**Apollo Orchestra**

- Traditional dinner, dancing and a vibrant Greek atmosphere
- Celebrate culture, community, and connection!

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH**  
beginning at 6:00 PM

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

Visit [www.HolyCrossPGH.org](http://www.HolyCrossPGH.org) for more information and to purchase your tickets.





As services have resumed in the church, parish-ioners have asked if donations are still needed for this project. The answer is Yes!

No donation is ever considered small. All com-mitments made can be paid in installments through the end of 2027.

**The following is a current update on icons available and amount needed for each:**

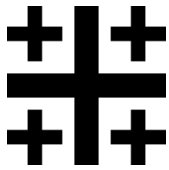
St. Mark - \$17,000

Eagle - \$16,000

Ox - \$24,000

Lion - \$25,000

Young Man - \$25,000



St. Andrew of Crete - \$12,300

St. Cyril of Alexandria - \$25,000

St. Gerasimos of Abydos - \$5000

St. Innocent of Alaska - \$25,000

St. Raphael of Brooklyn - \$24,250

Nativity of the Theotokos - \$50,000

Mosaic of the Holy Dormition - \$72,500

Assumption of Mary - \$49,500

Panaghia & Elizabeth Greeting Each Other - \$24,500

Thank you very much for your prayerful consid-eration of supporting this historic project. It is truly a blessing for the many future generations of Holy Cross.

## CHOIR DIRECTOR NEEDED

Reaching out to our community to see if anyone has interest in leading our Choir. If you or someone you know has the talent and a desire to direct the incredible voices at Holy Cross please reach out to a mem-ber of the Parish Council or Father Michael.



# Philoptochos Autumn Food Fair & Yia Yia Joan's Treasures & Market

Wednesday & Thursday  
October 1st & 2nd  
11am to 8pm

Please contact Elaine Sofis, cell 412.327.7017, home 412.344.7046 or esofis@comcast.net to volunteer as a runner or food server.

Please contact Dena Yamalis @412.343.8355 or dyamalis@comcast.net to help at the pastry booth. We appreciate any baked goods you can donate.

Donations of jewelry, books, and purses accepted beginning September 21.

## GOYA FAMILY

### KICK OFF

SUNDAY, SEPT 28

5:30PM

HOLY CROSS

COMMUNITY CENTER

GRADES 7<sup>TH</sup> NTHRU 12<sup>TH</sup>

FUN, FELLOWSHIP, FOOD

**BE PART OF IT !!!**

MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

DENISE 412.341.9264

**HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**  
presents the 11<sup>th</sup> annual  
**MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2025**  
**SOUTH HILLS COUNTRY CLUB**  
4305 BROWNSVILLE ROAD  
PITTSBURGH, PA 15236

**PRICING**  
\$225/golfer; \$900/foursome\*:  
includes entry fee, green fee,  
lunch & dinner.

**ORDER OF EVENTS**  
10 AM: Registration  
10 AM: Sit-down Lunch  
11:30 AM: Shotgun Start  
5-6 PM: Cocktail Reception  
(cash bar)  
6 PM: Dinner/Silent Auction

**SPONSORSHIPS**  
\$500: Beverages, skill prizes,  
putting green, printing, website,  
or live auction sponsor  
\$750: Dessert sponsor  
\$800: Golf Gift Bag sponsor  
\$1,000: Lunch sponsor  
\$1,250: Co-Dinner sponsor  
\$1,500: Golf Cart sponsor  
\$2,500: Dinner sponsor

**SCRAMBLE FORMAT**  
Skill prizes:  
Mens/Seniors/Women  
First place team prizes:  
Mens/Women/Seniors/Mixed


For more information, please contact:  
Zach Moore 412-735-8343; Lia Moore 412-760-6879  
Nick Kartsonas 412-849-9467; Michael Bell 724-825-2268

**PAYMENT & REGISTRATION**

To pay & register by mail, mail this form with payment to:  
Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church  
Att. Golf Outing  
123 Gilkeson Road  
Pittsburgh, PA 15228  
Make checks payable to:  
Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church  
Please mark "Golf Outing" in memo line.

Golfer name(s):  
Phone:  
Email:

To register and pay online, please visit:  
[www.holycrosspgph.org](http://www.holycrosspgph.org)  
Follow the link near the bottom of the page labeled "11<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Outing"  
\*In case of inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances, golfers will be provided a pass for future tee time.

**PARISH PLANNED GIVING**  
*An Offering of the*  **GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA**

Save the date! On Sunday, October 19th there will be a special coffee hour with the Archdiocese Director of Parish Planned Giving, Melpomeni Murdakes.

Have you ever wondered how you can give more to Holy Cross aside from stewardship or volunteering? Would you like to leave a lasting legacy to the church and to future generations? Come to this special coffee hour to find out more!

THE GREEK NATIONALITY ROOM  
PRESENTS  
**"WOMEN IN BYZANTIUM"**

CO-SPONSORED BY  
THE AMERICAN HELLENIC FOUNDATION  
OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA  
&  
THE EUROPEAN ART CENTER OF GREECE EUARCE

AN EXPLORATION  
OF ENDURING FEMALE ARCHETYPES  
AS REPRESENTED  
IN WOMEN OF HISTORICAL RELEVANCE  
IN THE BYZANTINE EMPIRE

PRESENTED BY  
**GIOVANNA LIVERI**  
GREEK LANGUAGE & LITERATURE TEACHER  
[WWW.LANGUAGEANDCULTURE.GR](http://WWW.LANGUAGEANDCULTURE.GR)

VIRTUAL PRESENTATION  
ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025  
AT 7 PM

AND THEN  
LIVE Q AND A  
ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025  
AT 2 PM

VIRTUAL SESSIONS AT  
[PAHELLENICFOUNDATION.ORG/TRAGEDY](http://PAHELLENICFOUNDATION.ORG/TRAGEDY)

Save the date!  
**Walk for Missions**  
**2025**  
Sunday, October 12

