

✠ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025 ✠ SUNDAY AFTER THE CROSS ✠

**The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 2:16-20**


Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

**Gospel According to Mark 8:34-38; 9:1** The Lord said: "If any-one wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful genera-tion, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

Memorials:

† James Dimitrios Callas 3 years  
† Estelle Styliani Eleftheriou 4 years  
† Becky Rameas 13 years  
† Jane (Polixene) Tsironas 15 years  
† Sam (Sotiris) Rameas 20 years  
† Harry Tsironas 29 years

Coffee Hour is sponsored today by



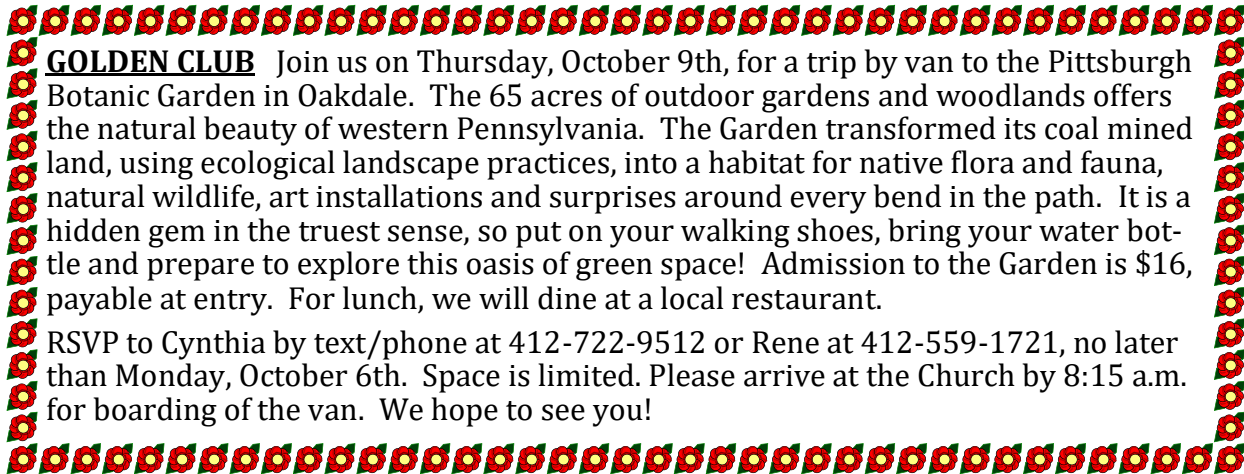
Walk for Missions.

Please join us for an Open House during coffee hour today (9/21) to visit our newest renovated space, the **GOYA Lounge!** Early this year the storage room at the end of the gym was designat-ed for the GOYA, so they could renovate it into a comfortable and inviting space for our GOYAns. Michael Murphy took on the project as his Eagle Scout project and has been coordinat-ing efforts for about nine months. Stop by and celebrate the final product from 11am-1pm!

**YAL Top Golf today @ 3pm**

<b>THIS WEEK:</b>	
Monday, September 22	6:30pm Paraclesis
Tuesday, September 23	Conception of St. John the Forerunner 8:15am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy 11am Spanakopita & Tiropita following Liturgy 7pm Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday, September 24	4:30pm GREEK SCHOOL 7PM BIBLE STUDY (ZOOM ONLY)
Thursday, September 25	10am Dolmathes and Beef Stifado 7pm Catechism Class
Friday, September 26	
Saturday, September 27	5pm Great Vespers

Metropolis  
Clergy/Laity in  
Columbus  
W-Sat



**GOLDEN CLUB**

Join us on Thursday, October 9th, for a trip by van to the Pittsburgh Botanic Garden in Oakdale. The 65 acres of outdoor gardens and woodlands offers the natural beauty of western Pennsylvania. The Garden transformed its coal mined land, using ecological landscape practices, into a habitat for native flora and fauna, natural wildlife, art installations and surprises around every bend in the path. It is a hidden gem in the truest sense, so put on your walking shoes, bring your water bot-tle and prepare to explore this oasis of green space! Admission to the Garden is \$16, payable at entry. For lunch, we will dine at a local restaurant.

RSVP to Cynthia by text/phone at 412-722-9512 or Rene at 412-559-1721, no later than Monday, October 6th. Space is limited. Please arrive at the Church by 8:15 a.m. for boarding of the van. We hope to see you!



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:**

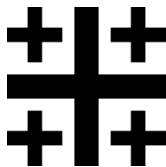
St. Mark - \$17,000

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

#### 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

#### 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

#### 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.

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)



# 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!

Save the date!

## Walk for Missions 2025

Sunday, October 12

