

✠ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 ✠


**The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10**

Brethren, working together with him, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

**Gospel According to Luke 5:1-11** At that time, as Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Memorials: †Marian Hoenig 20 years  
†Christian Bungas 26 years (husband of Maro Bungas)  
†Bernadette (Panagiota) Landis 30 years

Coffee Hour is sponsored today by John and Diane Hoenig.

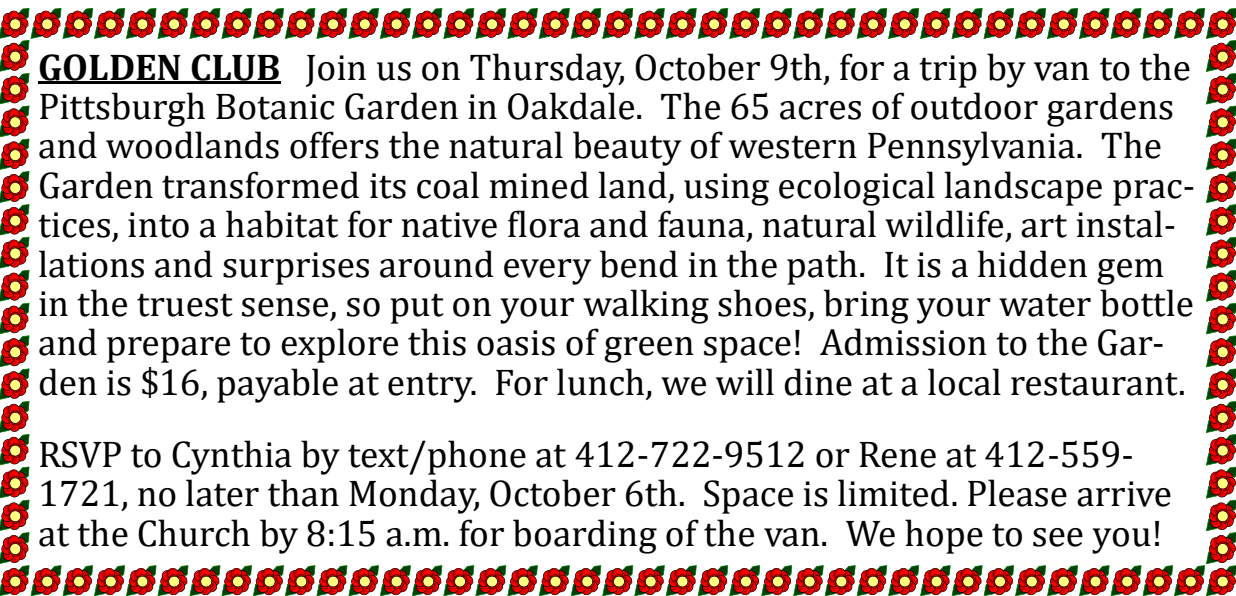


**GOYA Family kickoff tonight at 5:30pm.**

**THIS WEEK:**

- Monday, September 296:30pm Paraclesis
- Tuesday, September 307:30pm YAL Pickleball
- Wednesday, October 1

Holy Protection  
8am Orthros/9am Divine Liturgy  
**11am - 8pm Autumn Food Fair**  
4:30PM GREEK SCHOOL  
7PM BIBLE STUDY
- Thursday, October 211am - 8pm Autumn Food Fair
- Friday, October 3
- Saturday, October 4Wedding/NO Vespers



**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 bottle 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:**

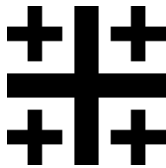
St. Mark - \$17,000

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

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	ORDER OF EVENTS	SPONSORSHIPS
\$225/golfer; \$900/foursome*: includes entry fee, green fee, lunch & dinner.	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	\$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.holycrosspg.org](http://www.holycrosspg.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!

↓↓ **TODAY:**

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

