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## ¥ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025 ¥

#### The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 2:1-10

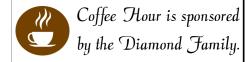
Timothy, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me before many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier on service gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to satisfy the one who enlisted him. An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hardworking farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will grant you understanding in everything.

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descended from David, as preached in my gospel, the gospel for which I am suffering and wearing fetters like a criminal. But the word of God is not fettered. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain salvation in Christ Jesus with its eternal glory.

#### **Gospel According to Luke 8:26-39**

At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

Memorials: † Gustave Diamond 4 years † Stefanos Vlahos 20 years (father of Dena Yamalis)



#### THIS WEEK:

Monday, October 27 6:30pm Paraclesis

Tuesday, October 28 OXI Day

7pm YAL Pickleball

Wednesday, October 29 4:30ρμ GREEK School

6:30pm GOYA Basketball

7PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, October 30 7PM CATECHISM CLASS

Friday, October 31

Saturday, November 1 Osios David of Evia & Sts. Kosmas & Damianos

8:30am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy

5pm Great Vespers

Fr. Michael is away. In his absence, please contact:

Fr. Dan Korba (412) 218-6388 or Fr. Photios Dickos (412) 956-6853 The

**Nominations** Committee is currently accepting nominations for the five open seats on the 2026 **Parish Council**. If there is anyone you would like to nominate to serve in this capacity as a leader in our community, if you are interested yourself, or if you have any questions, please contact a member of the Nominations Committee by Sunday, November 16, 2025.

The final list of nominees will be presented during the General Assembly Meeting on Sunday, November 23, 2025. Elections will take place in December 2025.

The Nomination Committee includes:

Sophia Milinkovic, Costa Paliouras, Ted Sofis, Stephen Yamalis, and Laura Zervos

Philoptochos is about to make your holidays a little easier! Frozen pans of spanakopita, made fresh this month, will be available for purchase for only \$35/pan (cut into 16 square pieces). This will be a great addition to any dinner, Steeler or holiday party! Comes ready to bake in a disposable 9"x13" foil pan along with baking instructions. Preorders preferred and pickup on Sundays in November in the Community Center after liturgy.

Contact Katina Galie at kagalie@comcast.net or text 412-951-8383 or see Katina or Dina Hartlep during coffee hour to place your order.

Thank you for your continued support of Holy Cross Ladies Philoptochos' efforts to help others.

GOLDEN CLUB: Please join us in the Community Center on Thursday, November 13, at 11am for our Annual Membership Luncheon. Come and enjoy fellowship and good food, for a fun afternoon. We will be collecting 2026 membership dues of \$10/person.

Please call or text your RSVP to Cynthia at 412-722-9512 or Rene at 412-559-1721, no later than Wednesday, November 5th (as this is a catered event). If paying dues by check, please make payment to: "GOLDEN CLUB of HOLY CROSS." New members are always welcome!

## Save the date for Presvytera Sandy's Holiday Market Sunday, November 2 during Coffee Hour

Sunday, November 2 during Coffee Hour Featuring...Jade jewelry & handicrafts, gifts and holiday decor, imported from Guatemala

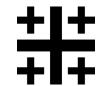
To benefit the clinic there

Parishioners have asked if donations are still needed for this project. The answer is Yes!

No donation is ever considered small. All commitments 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:

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 - \$47,000

Thank you very much for your prayerful consideration of supporting this historic project.

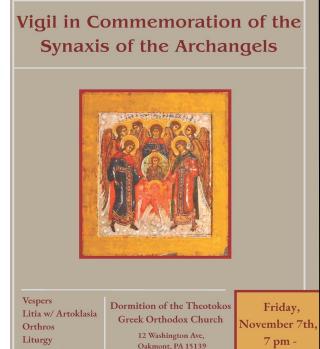
It is truly a blessing for the many future generations of Holy Cross.

# 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 member of the Parish Council or Father Michael.



### **NOVEMBER HAPPENINGS**



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