



HOLY CROSS

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✠ SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025 ✠

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 10:11-21; 11:1-2

Brethren, the scripture says, "No one who believes in God will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and bestows his riches upon all who call upon him. For, "every one who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved." But how are men to call upon him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without a preacher? And how can men preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach good news!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel; for Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ. But I ask, have they not heard? Indeed they have; for "Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world." Again I ask, did Israel not understand? First Moses says, "I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation; with a foolish nation I will make you angry." Then Isaiah is so bold as to say, "I have been found by those who did not seek me; I have shown myself to those who did not ask for me." But of Israel he says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people." I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

Gospel According to Matthew 9:9-13

At that time, as Jesus passed on, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax office; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him.

And as he sat at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."



Memorials: † Fr. Leon Pachis 9 years † Haralambos (Harry) Bender 40 years



Coffee Hour today is sponsored Philoptochos.

THIS WEEK:

Monday, November 17 6:30pm Paraclesis
7:30pm Parish Council (Budget)

Tuesday, November 18

Wednesday, November 19 4:30pm GREEK SCHOOL

6:30pm GOYA Basketball

7PM BIBLE STUDY

7pm Parish Council

Thursday, November 20 7PM CATECHISM CLASS

Friday, November 21 Entrance of the Theotokos 8:30am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 22 5pm Great Vespers

Sunday, November 23 Fall General Assembly following Liturgy

GOYA along with Philoptochos is sending out care packages to college students. If you have a current address of a college student, please email [Elias ediamondhpcph@gmail.com](mailto:ediamondhpcph@gmail.com) by December 1.

The **Nominations Committee** is accepting nominations for the five open seats on 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

ATTENTION High School Seniors and Parents: The application for the Popi Hagelios Memorial Philanthropy Award of the Philoptochos Society of Holy Cross Church is available NOW to download online at holycrosspgh.org - events - Holy Cross Philoptochos Philanthropy Award, in the narthex, Elaine Sofis, esofis@comcast.net or Denise Melis, dmelis@comcast.net, electronically. The COMPLETE application is due by 9PM on Sunday, March 29, 2026. NO EXCEPTIONS! The award is available to a PLEDGED 2026 Holy Cross family member who is a 2026 graduating high school senior. Two philanthropy awards are a possibility to two Holy Cross high school graduating seniors. A similar application is available from Mt. Lebanon High School. You may apply to both philanthropy awards, but will only be eligible for one \$1500 award.

Holy Cross GOYA Family Christmas Party

Friday, December 5, 2025 @ 6:36pm HC Community Center RSVP (412) 855-5661
GOYAns and their family are invited for an evening of Fun, Food & Fellowship
Please bring an appetizer (meatless) 7th-11th graders OR Dessert 12th graders
Optional Gift Exchange \$25.00

Holy Cross Ladies Philoptochos
invites you to our

CHRISTMAS *party*

Tuesday | **9** | December
5:00 PM | 2025

COCKTAIL HOUR AT 5:00 CASH BAR
DINNER SERVED AT 6:00

**SOUTH HILLS COUNTRY
CLUB**

4305 BROWNSVILLE ROAD

FOOD SELECTIONS

CHICKEN ASIAGO \$45

GRILLED ATLANTIC SALMON \$49

NY STRIP STEAK \$62

VEGAN RAVIOLI \$43

ALL DINNERS INCLUDE SALAD, SEASONAL VEGETABLE
MEDLEY,

YUKON GOLD POTATOES WITH DILL BUTTER, AND
LEMON CAKE

RSVP DYAMALIS@COMCAST.NET

412-589-2646

BY DECEMBER 1ST

WITH FOOD SELECTION



GREEK-AMERICAN PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION
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Join the G.A.P.A. Socrates-Daphne Lodge
of Pittsburgh, PA for their annual

Christmas Dinner & Dance

Friday, December 5, 2025

Cocktails & Hors D'oeuvres: **6:00 PM** | Dinner: **7:00 PM**

Crowne Plaza Hotel & Suites Pittsburgh South

164 Fort Couch Road | Pittsburgh, PA 15241

Live music by the fabulous Stigma Band of Cleveland, OH

Dinner & Dance - **\$70** | Dance Only - **\$30** (9:00 PM or later)

For reservations, please contact **Aliki Andrews** at (412) 833-4596 -or-

Becky Bertos at (412) 421-9427 by Wednesday, 11/26/2025.