



HOLY CROSS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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✠ SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2026 ✠

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7 In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Gospel According to Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8 At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid.

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Memorials

+Octavian Manole	9days	+Fanny Stambolis	1 year
+George Fitsioris	40 days	+John Kalakos	3 years
+Jenny (Angeliki) Krakowsky	40 days	+Sophie (Stambolis) Libbos	8 years (Christine Picard's mother)
+Alexander Perinis	40 days	+George Rangos	10 years
+Jeannette Ruth Perinis	40 days	+Fr. Vladimir Milinkovic	20 years

Coffee Hour is sponsored by the Fitsioris, Milinkovic, Perinis and Stambolis families.

Altar flowers are sponsored in loving memory of George Fitsioris by Maria and family.

Altar Candles are sponsored in loving memory of Alexander Perinis by the Perinis family.

Communion wine is sponsored in loving memory of John Kalakos by his family.

THIS WEEK:

Monday, April 27	6:30pm Paraclesis
Tuesday, April 28	5PM KOULOURAKIA MAKING 7:30PM YAL Pickleball
Wednesday, April 29	4:30PM GREEK SCHOOL 7PM BIBLE STUDY
Thursday, April 30	5PM KOULOURAKIA MAKING 7PM CATECHISM CLASS
Friday, May 1	Prophet Jeremiah 8:30 Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy
Saturday, May 2	5pm Vespers

DID YOU KNOW?

There is no minimum pledge amount for your annual Stewardship contribution. We should give what we can! The amount can always be adjusted.

Have you completed your 2026 pledge yet? If not, please pick up a bright yellow card in the Narthex or request an account for Realm by contacting HolyCrossPgh.Stewardship@gmail.com.

Holy Cross Stewardship 2026

GOLDEN CLUB: Join us on Wednesday, May 13, as we travel by van to the Westmoreland Museum of American Art in Greensburg, PA.

The Museum is dedicated to American art, with a special focus on the art and artists of southwestern Pennsylvania, showcasing works from four centuries. Admission is free and features a permanent collection and traveling exhibitions. The Museum is also known for its unique perspective on American life and connecting local history with national art movements.

Please arrive at the church by 8:45am for 9am departure. Following our visit, we will have lunch at a local restaurant. To reserve a seat on the van, please **RSVP** no later than Wednesday, May 6, to Cynthia at 412-722-9512 or Rene at 412-559-1721. We hope to see you!

Baking with a Twist!
Festival Koulourakia Preparation

7,128 (594 DOZ) MORE TO GO!

Tuesday, April 28th, 5pm-9pm
Thursday, April 30th, 5pm-9pm
Saturday, May 23rd, 9am-4pm
and more dates if needed!

Snacks will be provided!
All are welcome!
No experience needed!

For signup and questions:
Contact Stephen Yamalis
yamalis.stephen@gmail.com



Join us for a Special Coffee Hour!

MINGLE & MIMOSAS

Welcoming our newest members to Holy Cross!

3 MAY 2026 | WHILE MINGLING WITH OUR LONG STANDING PARISHIONERS! | FOLLOWING LITURGY

COME SEE WHAT HAPPENS "BETWEEN" SUNDAYS! | FIND OUT MORE ABOUT ALL THE DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS AND OUTREACH WE HAVE!

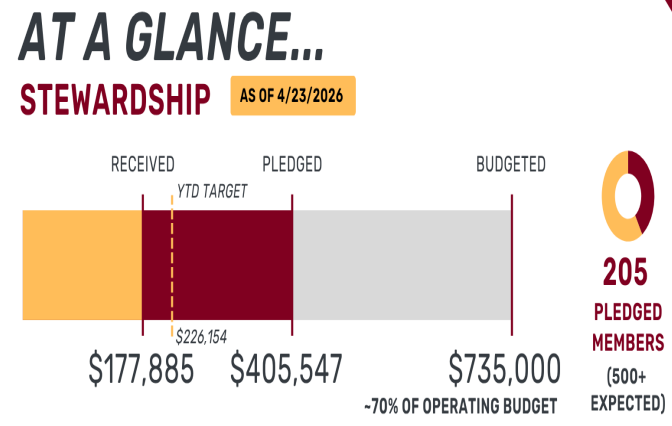


HOLY CROSS ICONOGRAPHY PROJECT UPDATE

Icons still available for support...

- Eagle → \$9000
- Ox → \$24,000
- Lion → \$17,000
- Young Man → \$25,000
- St. Andrew of Crete → \$10,500
- St. Cyril of Alexandria → \$25,000
- St. Gerasimos of Abydos → \$6000
- St. Innocent of Alaska → \$24,000
- St. Raphael of Brooklyn → \$24,000
- Nativity of the Theotokos → \$50,000
- ~~Assumption of Mary → \$17,000~~
- St. John Maximovitch → \$25,000
- Gold Leaf around the Platitera → \$20,000

Help us reach our goal!



FINANCIALS FEBRUARY 2026

FEBRUARY		OPERATING INCOME	
STEWARDSHIP INCOME	\$63K	FEBRUARY	\$6K
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$76K	YTD 2026	-\$1K

More information available in the monthly Crossroads. Thank you to our current pledged members!

Haven't returned your 2026 annual pledge? Pick up a Card in the Narthex or pledge on Realm today!

Stewardship Chair: Stephen Yamalis (HolyCrossPgh.Stewardship@gmail.com)
 Financial Secretary: Socrates Zacharias (sjgz16@gmail.com)

Vacation Church School Registration is live!

Please use the form in Crossroads, link or QR code below to register. This year's theme is "The Summer Pascha." VCS will take place July 27th – 31st. We hope you can join us!

<https://onrealm.org/HolyCrossGreekO/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=NjNkYTQ2MWEtNig5My00ZTIxLWVmNjktYjQxZjAxMjk4YjRi>



RSVP BY MAY 10TH

Afternoon Tea



HOLY CROSS LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS INVITES YOU TO SPEND AND AFTERNOON WITH US FOR LUNCH AND TEA

SATURDAY 16 MAY 11:00 AM

TICKETS \$25

PLEASE CONTACT DENA YAMALIS
412-343-8355
DYAMALIS@COMCAST.NET

HOLY CROSS GREEK FESTIVAL 2026 Cooking Schedule * T-MINUS 2 MONTHS

Spanakopita	5,500 pieces	Completed
Souzoukakia	2,500 pieces	Completed
Koulourakia	10,300 pieces	Thur April 16 th 5pm Wed April 22 nd 5pm Tue April 28 th and Thur April 30 th 5pm Saturday May 23 rd 9am
Tiropitas	2,150 pieces	Monday May 4 th 10am-5pm Tuesday May 5 th 10am-5pm
Patitisiso	1,550 pieces	Tuesday May 5 th Boiling Noodles Wednesday May 6 th 10:30am – 5pm Thursday May 7 th 10am – 5 pm
Galatobouriko	1,275 pieces	Monday May 11 th 10 am
Kourambiedes	2,980 pieces	Tue May 12 th 10-5 Wed May 13 th 10-5 Thur May 14 th 11-6
Baklava	5,760 pieces	Thursday May 28 th 9:30 and 4:30
Finikia	2,500 pieces	TBD
Karidopita	1,550 pieces	TBD
Shank sauce		TBD
Syrup		TBD

*Reminder texts and voicemails will be sent before each prepped item. Times and dates are subject to change.

HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

123 GILKESON ROAD • PITTSBURGH, PA (across from the galleria)

GYRO THURSDAY

MAY 14 • 11 am – 7 pm

ONLINE ORDERING AND TAKEOUT ONLY:
holycrosspgh.org/gyro

