



HOLY CROSS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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✠ SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2026 ✠

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 12:6-14 Brethren, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

Gospel According to Matthew 9:1-8 At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say 'Rise and walk?' But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" he then said to the paralytic -- "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

Memorials:

†Demetra Nakos (niece of Rita Manganas)	3 years
†Martha Stivaktas	10 years
†Tula Bonaros	13 years
†Nicholas Bonaros	14 years
†Koula Zervos Dardamanis	14 years
†Kalliope Zervos	20 years
†Yanni Stivaktas	23 years
†Charles Bonaros	28 years
†Peter Gidas	56 years
†Mary Zervos	

THIS WEEK:

Monday, July 13	6:30pm Paraclesis
Tuesday, July 14	
Wednesday, July 15	
Thursday, July 16	7pm Catechism Class
Friday, July 17	St. Marina 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy
Saturday, June 18	5pm Great Vespers



Altar flowers are sponsored in loving memory of family members by the Hareras and Bonaros families.



Coffee Hour is sponsored by the Maneya/ Zervantonakis Family in celebration of the 40 day blessing for their daughter Nektaria Aikaterina.

Vacation Church School is in 2 weeks!!!!

Please use the form in Crossroads or QR code to register. VCS will take place July 27th-31st. We hope you can join us!



save-the-date:
OCTOBER 24TH
as PHILOPTOCHOS presents
GUS CONSTANTELLIS
COMEDY NIGHT



PHILOPTOCHOS
FALL MUM SALE

Philoptochos will begin taking orders in August for beautiful, high quality fall mums.

Brighten your home for the season while supporting our charitable outreach!

ORDERING BEGINS: AUGUST 2026
PICKUP: SATURDAY - SEPT. 19, 2026
LOCATION: THE CHURCH
More details coming soon!

Dear Holy Cross family,
We are excited to announce that we will be updating our church directory after almost a decade. To help do this, we are asking families to submit recent photos that are (see below for examples):

- Clear, high quality (jpg or png format), landscape orientation
- Taken within the last two years
- Faces are easy to see, photos taken or cropped from the waist up
- Members over 18 are encouraged to submit an individual photo
- Can use either indoor or outdoor photos
- No pets please

The **deadline** to submit photos is **September 26th**. Please email your family photo along with names, up-dated address, phone number and email to **hcmemberdirectory@gmail.com**. Make sure that the information given is accurate, as the provided information will be directly added to the directory, without editing. If you would like to opt out of the directory, please let us know. For families that would like a professional photo, we are offering a photographer on September 26th during the Glendi. There will be a fee associated with use of the photographer. More details will follow closer to the date. This is a member only directory for Holy Cross. To be a member at Holy Cross, one has to submit a stewardship card.

We are looking forward to putting together a church directory that helps keep our church family connected! Thank you for your participation.

With love, The Membership Directory Committee

Example of Submission:

Oikonopoulos, Dimitrios and Mary

Sarah, George, and Michael

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Pittsburgh, PA 15228

hcmemberdirectory@gmail.com

Dimitrios 412-833-3355

Mary 412-833-3356



Seeking New Leaders for the Golden Club!

Our beloved senior ministry, the Golden Club, is seeking one or two enthusiastic individuals (a co-leadership pair, friends, a couple, or anyone with a heart for serving the senior members of our parish community!), to take over its leadership. After years of wonderful fellowship, our current organizers are ready to pass the torch. The Club provides a vital space for our parish seniors, 50 years and over, to connect, socialize and grow in faith.

Responsibilities include planning outings, coordinating occasional speakers and organizing one or two seasonal luncheons. Currently, activities are planned in fall and spring (to avoid inclement weather). Current leadership will provide full training and notes for a smooth transition. If you feel called to keep this joyful ministry thriving, please contact Cynthia Kostelnik at 412-722-9512 or Rene Koett at 412-559-1721 with any questions.

Thank you for prayerfully considering this rewarding service for our church community.

Blessings! R
ene Koett & Cynthia Kostelnik, Coordinators
The Golden Club of Holy Cross Church

HOLY CROSS ICONOGRAPHY PROJECT UPDATE

Icons still available for support...

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
St. Luke the Surgeon →	\$25,000
Nativity of the Theotokos →	\$50,000

Help us reach our goal!

*Gerontissa Theophano and the Sisters warmly welcome you to the
Nativity of the Theotokos Greek Orthodox Monastery
2026 Summer Feast Days*

32nd Memorial Commemoration for Gerontissa Taxiarchia

August 1st - Saturday

9:00 am: Hours, Divine Liturgy, Memorial Service - Lunch Follows

In 2014, on the 20th Anniversary of the repose of Gerontissa Taxiarchia, we launched the capital campaign to build the new Monastery, something Gerontissa Taxiarchia greatly desired. Since then, all proceeds commemorating our Holy Gerontissa have gone to the new Church & Monastery.

We invite you to come and honor her by attending the Memorial Commemoration and donating in her memory.



Prophet Elias

July 17th - Friday 5:00 pm:

Great Vespers, Orthros

July 18th - Saturday 9:00 am:

Hours, Divine Liturgy
Lunch Follows



**PLEASE LOOK FOR A SPECIAL FLYER FOR
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH
NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS FEAST DAY**



**Saint Joseph
The Hesychast**

August 15th - Saturday 5:00 pm:

Great Vespers

August 16th - Sunday

**7:00 am: Orthros, Divine Liturgy
Lunch Follows**



Come to the Monastery with your family

Enjoy our home-made pastries, frappes & items made by the Sisters, available for purchase.

**Donate to defray the cost of the Church for the Glory of God & the intercessions of
His Holy Mother, The Theotokos.**

*Visitors should be modestly dressed for all visits to the Monastery.
Women are asked to wear long skirts and long sleeves. Men to wear long pants and long sleeves.
Socks with sandals & shoes*

Please RSVP so that the Monastery has adequate hospitality:
Email us: info@NativityoftheTheotokosMonastery.org OR Call us: (724) 352 - 3999
Visit our web site & browse our Online Gift Shop & place preliminary orders:
www.NativityoftheTheotokosMonastery.org

Thank you for your love and support!

