



HOLY CROSS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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✠ SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026 ✠

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 15:1-11

Brethren, I would remind you in what terms I preached to you the gospel, which you received, in which you stand, by which you are saved, if you hold it fast -- unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God which is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Gospel According to Matthew 19:16-26 At that time, a young man came up to Jesus, kneeling and saying, "Good Teacher, what good deed must I do, to have eternal life?" And he said to him, "Why do you call me good? One there is who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments." He said to him, "Which?" And Jesus said, "You shall not kill, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother, and You shall love your neighbor as yourself." The young man said to him, "All these I have observed; what do I still lack?" Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions.

And Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly, I say to you, it will be hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." When the disciples heard this they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

Memorials: †George Karavias 3 years
and family members Maria, Louis, and Ianthi
Coffee Hour is sponsored by GOYA today.

THIS WEEK:

Monday, August 17 NO Paraclesis

Tuesday, August 18 7pm Parish Council

Wednesday, August 19

Thursday, August 20 **GYRO Thursday**
NO Catechism Class

Friday, August 21

Saturday, August 22 5pm Great Vespers

THIS THURSDAY!

GYRO
THURSDAY
AUGUST 20, 2026

Please volunteer to help
and/or stop by and support!



Questions? Contact holycrosspgh.fundraising@gmail.com

Neighborhood Resilience Project BACK TO SCHOOL BACKPACK DRIVE

runs

**Wednesday, August 12 -
Wednesday August 26!!**

**Please leave in alcove outside the
church office.**

Each backpack should include the following items:

- ♦ 1 set Post It Notes
- ♦ 3 Folders
- ♦ 1 Five-Subject Notebook *OR* 5 One-Subject Notebooks
- ♦ 1 package Glue Sticks
- ♦ 1 Pencil Pouch
- ♦ 1 package Pencils
- ♦ 1 Pencil Sharpener
- ♦ 1 large Eraser
- ♦ 1 Sharpie Pen Package



backpack

**Please contact Ponny Jahn with any
questions!**

THANK YOU!! (412)737-5528

Gyro Thursday is back **THIS THURSDAY**
8/20, 11am-7pm. Please help spread the
word for this fundraiser with your family
and friends.

Volunteers Needed for THURSDAY 8/20!
Please consider coming to help **THIS**
Thursday 8/20 at any point in the day from
9:00am-8:00pm. Hands are needed for set
up, execution, and clean up. With every-
one's help, we will be sure to have a suc-
cessful event!

For any questions or to volunteer, please
contact Sophia or Stephen at
holycrosspgh.fundraising@gmail.com.

HOLY CROSS CHURCH SCHOOL

begins its new academic year!

First class on Sunday, September 13th

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begins its new academic year!

**Registration & first class on
Wednesday, September 16th at 4:15pm**

SAVE THE DATE

SPECIAL

ICONOGRAPHY

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SEPT

20

SUNDAY

Immediately following Diving Liturgy

A vote is needed from the community

GOYA

CARNIVAL KICKOFF

GOYANS (7th-12th) and families welcome for an evening of food and fellowship

GAMES AND PRIZES

POPCORN COTTON CANDY

COFFEES AND DIRTY SODA BAR

Join band to RSVP:

SEPTEMBER 20

FOOD SERVED AT 5:36PM

HOLY CROSS COMMUNITY CENTER

Questions? Contact Denise: 412-855-5661

save-the-date: OCTOBER 24TH

as PHILOPTOCHOS PRESENTS

GUS CONSTANTELLIS

COMEDY NIGHT

ORTHODOXY

On Tap

FOR YOUNG ADULTS

FEATURING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Fr. Matthew Moore

HEAD PRIEST OF ALL SAINTS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH IN WEIRTON, WEST VIRGINIA

LICENSED PROFESSIONAL COUNSELOR

AUGUST 30, 2026 AT 5:00 PM

Fresh Start Cafe

46 W Pike Street Canonsburg, PA 15317

TOPIC

"TAKING CONTROL OF OUR TIME"

Following our speaker, we invite you to enjoy fellowship and a lively discussion!

Questions? Contact Nina Casella at nina.p.casella@gmail.com

Join us!

2026 CLERGY-LAITY, PHILOPTOCHOS, YOUTH WORKER & RELIGIOUS EDUCATOR ASSEMBLY

Saturday, 26th September

7:30 am - 5:00 pm

Metropolis of Pittsburgh Center

100 Enterprise Road, Washington PA 15301

REGISTRATION \$100.00

REGISTER NOW

Register by scanning the QR code or visit www.pittsburgh.goarch.org/2026-assembly

Registration closes Sept 18!

Courtyard by Marriott Pittsburgh Washington Meadow Lands

Call: (724) 222 5620 or scan QR code

Group Rate Code: GOMOP CLA 26

HOTEL \$129.00 + TAX

Ends Sept 1

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, updated 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

123 Gilkeson Rd.

Pittsburgh, PA 15228

hcmemberdirectory@gmail.com

Dimitrios 412-833-3355

Mary 412-833-3356

AT A GLANCE...

STEWARDSHIP

AS OF 8/12/2026

RECEIVED

PLEDGED

BUDGETED

YTD TARGET

YTD

SAVED

\$368,540

\$521,062

\$735,000

~70% OF OPERATING BUDGET

308

PLEDGED MEMBERS

(500+ EXPECTED)

FINANCIALS

AS OF JUNE 2026

YTD 2026

STEWARDSHIP INCOME

\$320K

GROSS FESTIVAL INCOME

\$431K

TOTAL EXPENSES

\$600K

YTD OPERATING INCOME

W/ FESTIVAL

\$281K

W/OUT FESTIVAL

\$38K

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 (sjg216@gmail.com)

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!

PHILOPTOCHOS

FALL MUM SALE

Mums are about 20 inches across, in 9 inch pots, and are sourced from a local nursery.

\$11 each

ORDER DEADLINE: SEPT 7

PICK UP DATE: SATURDAY, SEPT 19

(Church community center starting at 10 AM)

Ways to Order:

- email order to: holycrosswomen@gmail.com
- Contact Katina Galie: kagalie@comcast.net, 412-951-8383
- order at coffee hour

Mum Color	Quantity	Amount
Yellow		
Orange/Bronze		
Red		
Pink/Purple		
White		
TOTALS		

Pay by:

Credit card, check, cash, or Zelle upon ordering or at pickup.

Your Name: _____ Phone: _____