



HOLY CROSS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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✠ SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2026 ✠

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

Gospel According to Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

Memorials: †Pam Lagios 40 days
†Niki Hatzidakis 4 years
†Dimitri (Jim) Dickos 10 years

Coffee hour is sponsored by the Hartlep, Merante Pry, and Kokanos families in honor of Ted & Elaine Sofis' 50th wedding anniversary.

TODAY: Sunday

JOY Kick-off following Divine Liturgy —→

4:30PM CULTURAL PERFORMANCE

THIS WEEK:

Monday, October 5

6:30pm Paraclesis

Tuesday, October 6

St. Thomas 8:30am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy

Philoptochos meeting cancelled October 6

Wednesday, October 7

4:30PM GREEK SCHOOL

7PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, October 8

7PM CATECHISM CLASS

Friday, October 9

8:15 am Golden Club (Meet at church)

Saturday, October 10

5pm Great Vespers

GOLDEN CLUB this Friday, October 9th

Our trip by van will take us to The Frick Pittsburgh (tour approx. 75 min). Please RSVP NO LATER than Thursday, October 1st. RSVP must be accompanied by tour payment of \$24/ person. Payment to be sent to Rene Koett, 2285 Sidgfield Ln, Pittsburgh, PA 15241. Please make checks payable to: **Golden Club of Holy Cross**. Tour begins at 10am. Please arrive at church no later than 8:15am for boarding of the van. Following the tour, we will have lunch at The Porch/Schenley in Oakland. Please call Rene at 412-559-1721 with any questions and to RSVP before mailing of your check.

Walk for Missions 2026

Sponsored by

Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood of Greater Pittsburgh

will benefit current mission work in Guatemala

Sunday, October 11

Registration 12:30 PM – Walk Begins at 1:30 PM

South Park Children's Playground Shelter

Located at the intersection of

Corrigan Drive and Brownsville Road

South Park Township, PA 15129

J.O.Y. KICK-OFF

JOIN US FOR LUNCH AND GAMES
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

WHEN? IMMEDIATELY AFTER CHURCH
WHERE? THE PHILOPTOCHOS ROOM
WHO? CHILDREN OF ALL AGES
UP TO GRADE 6 & THEIR FAMILIES

FEEL FREE TO BRING
YOUR FAVORITE GAME!

RSVP TO DEACON ELIAS:
EDIAMONDHCPGH@GMAIL.COM
OR TIA KALAS:
TIA@TIKALAS.COM

HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
presents the
**12TH ANNUAL
MEMORIAL
GOLF OUTING**
MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH, 2026
SOUTH HILLS COUNTRY CLUB
4305 BROWNSVILLE ROAD

PRICING	SCRAMBLE FORMAT	ORDER OF EVENTS	SPONSORSHIPS
\$225/GOLFER; \$900/FOURSOME (INCLUDES ENTRY FEE, GREEN FEE, LUNCH AND DINNER)	Skill Prizes: Mens/Seniors/Women	10:00 AM Registration 10:00 AM Sit Down Lunch 11:30 AM Shotgun Start 5:00 PM Cocktail Hour (cash bar)	\$500: Beverages, skill prizes, putting green, printing, website, or live auction sponsor \$750: Dessert Sponsor \$800: Golf Gift Bag Sponsor \$1000: Lunch Sponsor \$1250: Co-Dinner Sponsor \$1500: Golf Cart Sponsor \$2500: Dinner Sponsor
DINNER ONLY \$75/PER PERSON	First Place Team Prizes: Mens/Women/ Seniors/Mixed	6:00 PM Dinner/ Silent Auction	

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:
ZACH MOORE: 412-795-8343 | LIA MOORE: 412-760-6879
NICK KARTSONAS: 412-849-9467 | MICHAEL BELL: 724-825-2268

PAYMENT & REGISTRATION

To pay & register by mail,
mail this form with
payment to:
Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church
Attn: Golf Outing
123 Gillespie Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15228

Golfer name(s): _____

Phone: _____
Email: _____

To register and pay online,
please visit:
www.holycrosspg.org

Follow the link near the
bottom of the page labeled
"12th Annual Golf Outing"

*In case of inclement weather or
unforeseen circumstances, golfers
will be provided a pass for
future tee time.

ICONS WITHIN THE ALTAR ADDED SINCE THE
SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE 20TH:

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. Innocent of Alaska → \$24,000
St. Raphael of Brooklyn → \$24,000
- Icons within the Altar
- St. Sophrony of Essex → \$10,000
St. Justin Popovich → \$10,000
St. Paisios of Mt. Athos → \$10,000
St. Porphyrios of Kavsokalivia → \$10,000
St. Ephraim of Arizona → \$10,000
St. Joseph the Hesychast → \$10,000
St. Herman of Alaska → \$10,000

Help us reach our goal!

PHILOPTOCHOS
ARMY OF AGAPE
Aprons

"Army of Agape" is a tribute to the spirit of philanthropy and compassion
embodied by Philoptochos, and a reminder of the strength and unity that
love brings to our communities.

ORDER YOURS TODAY! MAKES A GREAT GIFT!

\$25
long- 34" or short- 24"
sizes available

- 24" short pictured at right
- unisex
- black color
- front pockets
- lightweight cotton/poly blend

Ways to order:

- To order **SHORT APRON**, click link: <https://square.link/u/mQgKAQvY>
- To order **LONG APRON**, click link: <https://square.link/u/quVFDQk>
- Or email your order to: holycrosswomen@gmail.com

Questions? Contact Dina Hartlep
holycrosswomen@gmail.com, 412.720.9383

Order by October 1
to receive apron in time for the Autumn Food Fair!

Army of AGAPE aprons will be provided for food line and
bakery volunteers to use and return during the Food Fair.

Young Adult Fall Retreat at Camp Nazareth

October 23-25, 2026
Open to those 18-35 years of age from all jurisdictions!

Physicians of the Soul: Spiritual Fathers and the Mystery of Confession

With Keynote Speaker:

Rev. Fr. Stephen Loposky
Chancellor of the American Carpatho-Russian
Orthodox Diocese of North America

Register
Here:  or tinyurl.com/smxbprtp

Questions? youngadultretreats@gmail.com

HOLY CROSS PHILOPTOCHOS PRESENTS
GUS CONSTANTELLIS
Comedy Night!

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 24, 2026**
7 PM
HOLY CROSS, MT. LEBANON
COMMUNITY CENTER

TICKETS:
\$40 INDIVIDUAL
\$300 TABLE OF 8 ✨ \$350 TABLE OF 10
Table purchase includes 2 mezze platters

FAMILY FRIENDLY ✨ LIVE BAND ✨ CASH BAR

Bring your family and friends for a
fun-filled night of laughter, followed by
dancing to the music of the Filarakia!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT DENA YAMALIS
HCcomedynight@gmail.com - 412-589-2646

PAYMENT LINK FOR TICKETS AT THE QR CODE
CASH/CHECKS/ZELLE ALSO ACCEPTED



Philoptochos
**Autumn
FOOD FAIR**
WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY
OCTOBER 14 & 15

We need your delicious baked goods!
Contact Dena Yamalis
dyamalis@comcast.net, 412.589.2646

YiaYia's Attic Donations of
Jewelry, Purses, Books:
Contact Presbyteria Sandy Chakos
atchakos04@msn.com, 412.419.5330

VIA VIA JOAN'S ATTIC
NOW ACCEPTING
**PURSE & JEWELRY
DONATIONS**
Please leave your purse & jewelry
donations outside the church office.

Accepting **BOOK DONATIONS**
beginning Monday Sept 28.

QUESTIONS?
Contact Presbyteria Sandy Chakos
atchakos04@msn.com, 412.419.5330

Donations of jewelry
and handbags are now
being accepted for the
Philoptochos Yiayia's
Attic sale. Donations
of bracelets, necklaces,
earrings, and pins,
as well as handbags of
every size, can be left
on the table outside the
church office. Please bag or box
your items securely.
Call Presv. Sandy
Chakos (412-419-
5330) with any ques-
tions.

Holy Cross Autumn Food Fair, Wednesday and Thursday, October 14 and 15, 11am-8pm
Food Line Help is needed BOTH DAYS at Lunch, 10:45am-2pm or 4pm. Lighter shift from 2-4pm. Dinner Shift from 4-8pm. OR whatever fits into your time frame. ANY of your time is appreciated! Thank you for volunteering your time in supporting YOUR Holy Cross Philoptochos in it philanthropic endeavors.
Elaine Sofis, Food Line Chair esofis@comcast.net Cell [412.327-7017](tel:412.327.7017) Home [412.344-7046](tel:412.344.7046)