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✠ Sunday, NOVEMBER 8, 2026 ✠

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Hebrews 2:2-10

Brethren, if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his own will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, "What is man that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man, that thou carest for him? Thou didst make him for a little while lower than the angels, thou hast crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for every one. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through suffering.

The Gospel According to 8:41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter and those who were with him said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

Memorials: †Caroline Lynch
†James Lynch
†Patrick Lynch

†Nicholas (Niko) Dzuliashvili *7 days*
†Katherine (Tika) Dickos *3 years*
Coffee Hour sponsored by the Parish Council



TODAY: *Sunday, November 8*

GENERAL ASSEMBLY (after church)
LOYALTY SUNDAY / 2027 STEWARDSHIP KICK OFF

THIS WEEK:

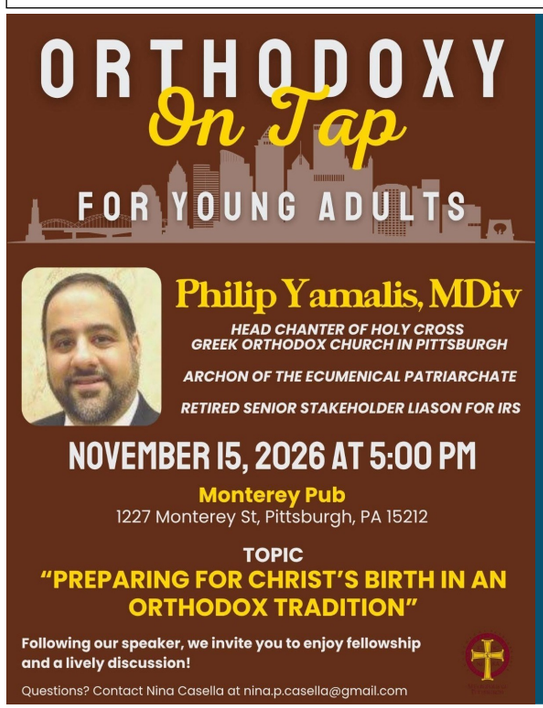
Monday, November 9
St. Nektarious 8:15AM Orthros & 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
6:30PM Paraclesis

Tuesday, November 10
Wednesday, November 11
4:30PM **GREEK SCHOOL**
6:30 OM GOYA Basketball Practice
7PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, November 12
11AM GOLDEN CLUB ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON
6:30 PM Adult Fellowship & Fitness Pickleball
7pm CATECHISM CLASS

Friday, November 13
St. John Chrysostom 8:15AM Orthros & 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
Saturday, November 14
5PM ***GREAT*** **VESPERS**

NEXT WEEK: *Sunday, November 15*
Nativity Fast Begins
GOYA BAKE SALE
5PM Orthodox on Tap @ Monterey Pub





Holy Cross Ladies Philoptochos invites you to our

Christmas PARTY

DECEMBER | 1 | AT 5:00 PM

SOUTH HILLS COUNTRY CLUB
4305 BROWNSVILLE ROAD

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

FOOD SELECTIONS

CHICKEN ASIAGO $48
GRILLED ATLANTIC SALMON $49
NY STRIP STEAK $65
VEGAN RAVIOLI $45

ALL DINNERS INCLUDE SALAD, SEASONAL VEGETABLE MEDLEY
YUKON GOLD POTATOES WITH DILL BUTTER AND CHOCOLATE MOUSSE

RVSP TO DYAMALIS@COMCAST.NET
412-589-2646
BY NOV. 15TH
WITH FOOD SELECTION

JOIN US FOR

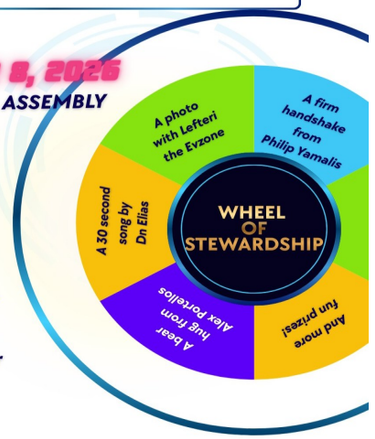
LOYALTY SUNDAY

KICKING OFF STEWARDSHIP 2027

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 8, 2026
AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Please join us to kick off the 2027 Stewardship Campaign!

Turn in your 2027 pledge card & spin the wheel for exciting prizes!



holycrosspgh.stewardship@gmail.com

GOYA SOUP & BAKE SALE

SAVE THE DATE

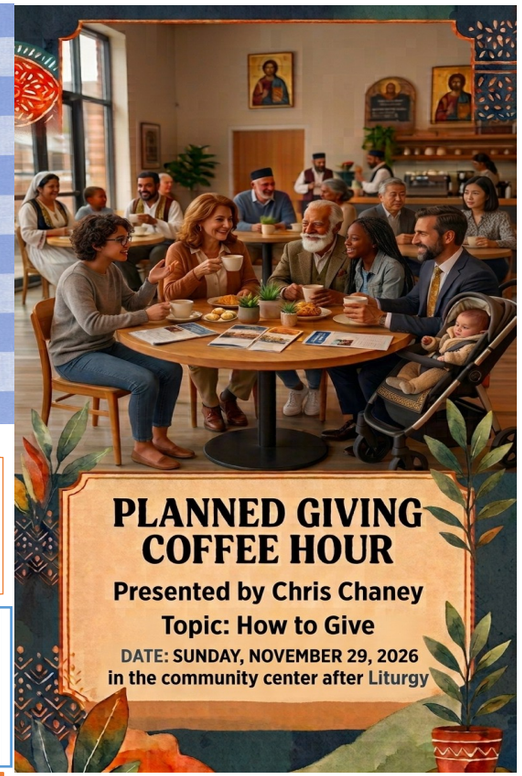
Sunday, November 15 at coffee hour

Proceeds will go towards buying gifts for needy children

ATTENTION College Student Parents
Please send your child's mailing address to ediamondhcpgh@gmail.com so GOYA can send them a Christmas care package.

SAVE THE DATE

JOY FRIENDSGIVING @ FACAROS HOUSE FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20
RSVP TO DEACON ELIAS OR RACHEL FACAROS



NEIGHBORHOOD RESILIENCE PROJECT HOLIDAY GIVING 2026

Hello Holy Cross Family,
Wanted to make you aware of two opportunities to help those less fortunate this holiday season. Thank you all for your continued generosity! Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions (412) 737-5528.
With love,
Ponny Jahn

1) NRP FOOD PANTRY RE-STOCKING:
November 2 - November 20
Non-perishable pantry goods (canned beans, canned meats & fish, chunky soups, shelf-stable milk, nut butters, cereals, instant oatmeal, pasta, canned vegetables, rice, crackers, ramen noodles and protein shakes. NO GLASS ITEMS PLEASE

Please leave all donations outside of the church office

2) NRP ANNUAL CHRISTMAS ANGEL PROJECT:
November 9 - December 6
Christmas present requests (City of Pittsburgh children) and $35 Target gift cards (City of Pittsburgh seniors) to be distributed at the NRP Community Christmas Celebration on December 11th

Look for an email in early November with more details!

You're Invited to

LIVE CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING AND LUCHEON!

SUNDAY
DECEMBER 6
12:30 PM

HOLY CROSS COMMUNITY CENTER

LUNCHEON AT 12:30 PM
WREATH MAKING FOLLOWS
COST: $55 PER PERSON

Philoptochos invites all of the ladies of Holy Cross! Family & friends are welcome to join in the fun!
No fee for children joining for lunch and helping make your wreath.

Want to just come for the luncheon and socialize? Just let us know!

RSVP by November 15th to Angela Panos:
eapanos@verizon.net OR call/text 412-613-4881

VASILOPITA BREADMAKING AND SALES

Baking Day: Thursday, December 10

Join Holy Cross Philoptochos to help prepare our delicious, fresh Vasilopita bread. We welcome any time you can spare, and a light lenten lunch will be provided.

Breadmaking: Begins at 10:00 a.m.
Egg washing: Begins around 11:30 a.m.
Bread wrapping: 2:00–4:30 p.m.

Loaves are available plain or with sesame seeds for **$12 per loaf**. Each round loaf will have a coin placed in it.

Baking day: Thursday, December 10, from 2:30–4:30 p.m.
After Liturgy: Sundays, December 13, 20, and 27 (if available), in the narthex and community center.

We accept cash, credit cards, Zelle or checks payable to **Holy Cross Philoptochos**.

All proceeds support our ministries. Thank you for donating your time and supporting Holy Cross Philoptochos.

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 beginning Sunday, November 15, 2026 in the Narthex, online at holycrosspgh.org-events-Holy Cross Philoptochos Philanthropy Award, Elaine Sofis, esofis@comcast.net or Denise Melis, dmelis@comcast.net, electronically. The COMPLETE application is due by 8PM on Sunday, March 28,2027 NO EXCEPTIONS! The award is available to a PLEDGED 2027 Holy Cross family member who is a 2027 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 $1,500 award.