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Sunday of the Holy Cross

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TODAY WE CELEBRATE...

Sunday of the Holy Cross, Calliopos and Akylina the Martyrs, George, Bishop of Mytilene, Gerasimos the God-Bearer of Byzantium, Righteous Father Savvas the New of Kalymnos, Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow and Enlightener of North America



COFFEE HOUR...

Coffee Hour is hosted by Parish Council.

MAY THE LORD REMEMBER...



All of us in His heavenly kingdom, always now and forever unto the ages of ages. Amen



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for your brothers and sisters in Christ at today's Divine Liturgy and throughout the week.

Suzanne Ashworth – Kensington Place

Anastasia Arvanetes – Avondale Woods Dublin

Fr. John Stavropoulos – At Home

Helen Tornik – Mayfair Village - Columbus

If you would like the priest to visit a friend or family member, or if you would like your name (or the name of a loved one) added to this list, please contact the Cathedral Office.

WELCOME TO THE ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL!

We are so happy that you are worshipping with us today! If you are visiting, please fill out a "Visitor Information Card," located in the Narthex, and give it to a Parish Council member at the candle stand in the Narthex. If you are an Orthodox Christian new to the Columbus area, or if you would like to know more about becoming an Orthodox Christian, please introduce yourself to one of the priests who would be most happy to meet with you and discuss membership in our Cathedral. It is our desire that you make the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral your spiritual home! May God richly bless you and your family!

FOR THE RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

We welcome all Christians not fully united with us. It is a consequence of the sad divisions of Christianity that we cannot extend to all a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christians believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness in faith, life, and worship. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist and for which we must all pray.

DIVINE LITURGY BOOK

There are additions that are used in a monastery, but not necessarily in a parish church. Please refer to the following instructions:

- The variable Small Entrance hymns (next page) are sung on Page 13.
- After the Gospel reading on Page 19, go to Page 29.
- On Page 51-53, skip the petitions that are in red.
- After Page 57, skip to Page 61 (60-61). Note the word change and addition to the pre-communion prayer.

Thanksgiving prayers start on Page 73.

MISSION STATEMENT OF OUR PARISH

Our community, united in our Orthodox Christian faith, aspires to live a Christ-centered life as set forth by our Holy Tradition. Strengthened by our Hellenic culture and the actions and sacrifices of our Greek American founders and predecessors, we live as one, multicultural parish family sharing Christ's love in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

CORE VALUES

We renew our faith continually through active participation in worship, sacraments, discipleship, and prayer.

We experience a sense of acceptance, joy, peace, belonging and "koinonia" to all in our community and to all those that walk through our doors as one family.

We follow Jesus' command to "Go Forth" by sharing Christ's love beyond our cathedral walls to those in physical and spiritual need.

We are responsible to inspire and teach future generations on the traditions and values of living our Orthodox faith.

We commit, in thanksgiving, our time, talent and treasure to support our cathedral by safeguarding the ministerial, physical and financial needs to ensure the health of His Church and to further the Gospel message now and in the future.

We create an environment where we respect our collective cultural identities while celebrating our Hellenic traditions, history, language, and heritage.

Hymns for This Morning

Apolytikion of the Feast, Mode 1

Σῶσον, Κύριε, τὸν λαόν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν
κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς βασιλεῦσι κατὰ
βαρβάρων δωρούμενος, καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων διὰ
τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance,
granting victory to the faithful over the enemy, and by
Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth.

Entrance Hymn, Mode 2

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ.
Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν,
ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλουῖα.

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save
us, O Son of God, risen from the dead, we sing to You,
Alleluia.

Resurrectional Apolytikion, Mode 3

Εὐφραινέσθω τὰ οὐράνια, ἀγαλλιášθω τὰ
ἐπίγεια, ὅτι ἐποίησε κράτος ἐν βραχίονι αὐτοῦ, ὁ
Κύριος· ἐπάτησε τῷ θανάτῳ τὸν θάνατον·
πρωτότοκος τῶν νεκρῶν ἐγένετο· ἐκ κοιλίας ἄδου
ἐρρύσατο ἡμᾶς, καὶ παρέσχε τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα
ἔλεος.

Let the heavens sing for joy and let everything on earth be
glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He
trampled death under foot by means of death; and He
became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of
Hades He delivered us; and He granted the world His
great mercy.

For the Feast, Mode 1

Σῶσον, Κύριε, τὸν λαόν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν
κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς βασιλεῦσι κατὰ
βαρβάρων δωρούμενος, καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων διὰ
τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance,
granting victory to the faithful over the enemy, and by
Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth.

Today is the Summary of Our Salvation,

Mode 4

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ Κεφάλαιον, καὶ
τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος Μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις, ὁ Υἱὸς
τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ
τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ
τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ
Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

Today is the summary of our salvation, and the
manifestation of the age-old mystery. For the Son of God
becomes the Son of the Virgin, and the good news of
grace does Gabriel Annunciate. Therefore, together with
him, to the Theotokos let us cry aloud: "Rejoice, O
Maiden full of grace, the Lord is with you. "

Kontakion, Mode pl. 4

Τῇ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, Ὡς
λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, Ἀναγράφω
σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Ἀλλ' ὥς ἔχουσα τὸ
κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, Ἐκ παντοίων με κινδύνων
ἐλευθέρωσον, Ἵνα κράζω σοι· Χαῖρε νύμφη
ἀνύμφευτε.

O Champion General I your City now inscribed to you
Triumphant Anthems as the tokens of my gratitude being
rescued from the terrors, O Theotokos. In as much as you
have power unassailable, from all kinds of perils free me
so that unto you I may cry aloud: Rejoice, O unwedded
Bride.

THE EPISTLE READING

ΠΡΟΚΕΙΜΕΝΟΝ

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 27.9,1

Σώσον, Κύριε τὸν λαὸν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν
κληρονομίαν σου.

Στίχ. Πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, κεκράξομαι ὁ Θεός μου.

Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 4:14-16, 5:1-6

Ἀδελφοί, ἔχοντες οὖν ἀρχιερέα μέγαν, διεληλυθότα τοὺς οὐρανούς, Ἰησοῦν τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ θεοῦ, κρατῶμεν τῆς ὁμολογίας. Οὐ γὰρ ἔχομεν ἀρχιερέα μὴ δυνάμενον συμπαθεῖν ταῖς ἀσθενείαις ἡμῶν, πεπειραμένον δὲ κατὰ πάντα καθ' ὁμοιότητα, χωρὶς ἁμαρτίας. Προσερχώμεθα οὖν μετὰ παρησίας τῷ θρόνῳ τῆς χάριτος, ἵνα λάβωμεν ἔλεον, καὶ χάριν εὕρωμεν εἰς εὐκαιρὸν βοήθειαν. Πᾶς γὰρ ἀρχιερεὺς, ἐξ ἀνθρώπων λαμβανόμενος, ὑπὲρ ἀνθρώπων καθίσταται τὰ πρὸς τὸν θεόν, ἵνα προσφέρῃ δῶρά τε καὶ θυσίας ὑπὲρ ἁμαρτιῶν· μετριοπαθεῖν δυνάμενος τοῖς ἀγνοοῦσιν καὶ πλανωμένοις, ἐπεὶ καὶ αὐτὸς περικείται ἀσθενείαν· καὶ διὰ ταύτην ὀφείλει, καθὼς περὶ τοῦ λαοῦ, οὕτως καὶ περὶ ἑαυτοῦ, προσφέρειν ὑπὲρ ἁμαρτιῶν. Καὶ οὐχ ἑαυτῷ τις λαμβάνει τὴν τιμὴν, ἀλλὰ καλούμενος ὑπὸ τοῦ θεοῦ, καθάπερ καὶ Ααρὼν. Οὕτως καὶ ὁ Χριστὸς οὐχ ἑαυτὸν ἐδόξασεν γεννηθῆναι ἀρχιερέα, ἀλλ' ὁ λαλήσας πρὸς αὐτόν, Υἱός μου εἶ σύ, ἐγὼ σήμερον γεγέννηκά σε. Καθὼς καὶ ἐν ἑτέρῳ λέγει, Σὺ ἱερεὺς εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα κατὰ τὴν τάξιν Μελχισεδέκ.

PROKEIMENON

Psalms 27.9,1

O Lord, save your people and bless your inheritance.

Verse: To you, O Lord, I have cried, O my God.

St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:1-6

BRETHREN, since we have a high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is bound to offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not take the honor upon himself, but he is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "Thou art my Son, today I have begotten thee"; as he says also in another place, "Thou art a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Gospel According to Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

Κατὰ Μάρκον 8:34-38, 9:1

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· Εἴ τις θέλει ὀπίσω μου ἔλθειν, ἀπαρνησάσθω ἑαυτὸν καὶ ἀράτω τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἀκολουθεῖτω μοι. ὃς γὰρ ἂν θέλῃ τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ σῶσαι, ἀπολέσει αὐτήν· ὃς δ' ἂν ἀπολέσῃ τὴν ἑαυτοῦ ψυχὴν ἕνεκεν ἐμοῦ καὶ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου, οὗτος σώσει αὐτήν. τί γὰρ ὠφελήσει ἄνθρωπον ἂν κερδήσῃ τὸν κόσμον ὅλον, καὶ ζημιωθῇ τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ; ἢ τί δώσει ἄνθρωπος ἀντάλλαγμα τῆς ψυχῆς αὐτοῦ; ὃς γὰρ ἂν ἐπαισχυνηθῇ με καὶ τοὺς ἐμοὺς λόγους ἐν τῇ γενεᾷ ταύτῃ τῇ μοιχαλίδι καὶ ἁμαρτωλῷ, καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπαισχυνησέται αὐτὸν ὅταν ἔλθῃ ἐν τῇ δόξῃ τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ μετὰ τῶν ἀγγέλων τῶν ἁγίων. Καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι εἰσὶ τινες τῶν ὧδε ἐσθηκότων, οἵτινες οὐ μὴ γεύσονται θανάτου ἕως ἂν ἴδωσι τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐληλυθυῖαν ἐν δυνάμει.

ANNUNCIATION CATHEDRAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday of the Holy Cross	April 7, 2024	Sunday of the Holy Cross Matins 8:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy - 9:30 a.m. Procession of the Cross Sunday Church School – Preschool ONLY
Monday	April 8, 2024	Great Compline – 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Pre-Marital Counseling Sessions II – 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. ZOOM
Tuesday	April 9, 2024	Prosforo Baking Class & Lenten Potluck – Kitchen & Social Hall – 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. GOYA Volleyball – Gym – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday	April 10, 2024	Little Lambs Playgroup – Rooms 111 & 113 – 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Little Lambs Greek School – Rooms 111 & 113 – 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy with Potluck at Holy Cross Orthodox Mission, 330 E. Wilson Bridge Rd., Worthington, OH 43085 – 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Thursday	April 11, 2024	50 Plus – Banquet Hall – 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday	April 12, 2024	50 Plus Baking Bread – Kitchen & Social Hall – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Fourth Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday	April 13, 2024	Greek Language School – Cross Making – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Sunday of St. John Climacus	April 14, 2024	Sunday of St. John Climacus Matins 8:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy - 9:30 a.m. 40-Day Memorial for Panayota Grammatikakis Sunday Church School – after Holy Communion

<https://www.greekcathedral.com/live-video/>

IMPORTANT DATES, REMINDERS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Any items that you wish to appear in the Weekly Bulletin must be submitted to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral Office (secretary@greekcathedral.com) by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Please note that announcements may be altered to comply with style, formatting, and space constraints. We appreciate your thoughtful cooperation.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. All members of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in-good-standing are welcome to attend all parish council meetings.



FUNDRAISING IN THE CATHEDRAL SOCIAL HALL

Please let Fran Băby (fbaby@columbus.rr.com) know if you need a table in the social hall to sell from after the Divine Liturgy. We can allow three tables for fundraising each week, but the tables must be reserved. Each organization is allowed three weeks for their fundraising. **WE CANNOT PLACE TABLES IN THE HALLWAY.** These fundraising rules are to ensure that we give everyone a fair amount of time to promote their organization.

ANNUAL LEONTIS LECTURE

Prof. Neovi Karakatsanis, an OSU alumna, will be speaking on the refugee crisis in Greece. "When Welcome turns to Rejection: Refugees on a Greek Island." Thursday, April 11, 3:30 pm. Interfaith Prayer and Reflection Room. Ohio Union, 1739 N. High St. For questions, please contact Prof. Gregory Jusdanis jusdanis.1@osu.edu

Weekly Announcements

RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY CONFESSION

Please make arrangements to have your confession before Holy Week. Email Fr. Demetrios at papademetri@gmail.com. Let him know a few dates and times that are good for you. If you have never received Holy Confession or it has been a long time, make arrangements to receive this beautiful gift that the Lord has given us. As George Grube wrote, "Those who have benefited from confession know the liberating feeling of the words of the priest as he pronounces the forgiveness promised by Christ, 'Go, your sins are forgiven,' are great and lasting" (Church Fathers, Volume 2).

50 PLUS TSOUREKI SALE!



Please support our 50 Plus Group by purchasing a delicious loaf of Tsoureki after Divine Liturgy in the Social Hall on Sunday, April 14, 2024. Cost is \$7.00 per loaf.

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF BAKING PROSFORO, FELLOWSHIP AND A LENTEN RECIPE SWAP

Philoptochos will be holding a Prosforo Baking Class on Tuesday, April 9th. Join us from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Everyone will make a prosforo to be offered for the Divine and Pre-Sanctified Liturgies throughout the Lenten Season. As we wait for our bread to rise, we will enjoy a Lenten Potluck Lunch so please bring a dish that can be shared along with the recipe. We will also hold a brief business meeting. **ALL are welcome to attend!** Please email deborah.pries@gmail.com if you plan to attend so that we may prepare accordingly.

PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY WITH POTLUCK AT HOLY CROSS ORTHODOX MISSION

Wednesday, April 10, 2024, Presanctified Liturgy with Potluck at Holy Cross Orthodox Mission, 330 E. Wilson Bridge Rd. Worthington, OH 43085 – 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

TAVLI TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Congratulations to our Tavli Tournament winners, Marios Iacovou and Simon Delinikos!

BOOKSTORE NEWS



The Lenten Holy Week books have arrived! The books can be purchased in the cathedral bookstore for \$30.00. These books have all the services of Holy Week in Greek and English.

Bring this ad into the bookstore and receive \$5.00 off your Holy Week Book purchase. This coupon will be in effect until April 30, 2024.

MESSAGE FROM THE YOUTH DIRECTOR – SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

As I have communicated before, I highly encourage all our kids, from Church School to Greek School, from JOY to GOYA, to consider signing-up for a wonderful opportunity to experience Camp Nazareth this summer! Those who have been to camp before know what a truly special, spiritual experience Camp Nazareth is and how it has impacted so many lives. I would not be in the position I am today as your Youth Director if it was not for camp!

We are very happy and excited to announce that the Cathedral will cover 50% of the cost for summer camp for every child that goes to camp this summer!

Because of how special of an opportunity it is to go to camp, we do not want any child left behind due to the cost. If your child is interested in attending summer camp and there is a need for additional financial assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to myself or to Fr. Demetrios to discuss! The total cost is \$675 for the week, which includes meals, lodging, etc.

In addition, if we have a certain number of kids that are going to camp, the Cathedral will arrange transportation for all our attendees since it is roughly a three-hour drive to Camp Nazareth from Columbus.

If your child has decided on going to camp this summer, please reach out to myself or Fr. Demetrios as soon as possible so we can give you the correct discount code to use for online registration when it opens on March 25th (it usually fills up quickly, so I strongly recommend signing up the night it opens!)

Please take a look at the summer camp dates and sessions on the flyer in this week's bulletin. For any questions about the camp program, please feel free to contact me!

Faithfully, Pasquale Santarelli

Weekly Announcements

LENTEN PSALTER READING GROUPS 2024



We invite the entire parish to join us in reading the PSALTER during this LENTEN FAST, which will begin Monday, March 18. Focusing our hearts and minds on Christ each day and praying for one another and our community, can be edifying as well as beneficial not only to those we pray for but to ourselves as well. The Psalter was the prayer book of the first Christians, and by reading and learning the Psalms, we can deepen our understanding of God's Word, while growing and living toward the fullness of our Orthodox Faith. All you need is a Bible or Psalter and 20 minutes a day. Please call or email Elaine Kent at 740-405-1192, elaine@elainekent.net. Everyone is welcome!

SAVE THE DATES

June 3-5 Vacation Bible School Session #1
August 5-7 Vacation Bible School Session #2

SAVE THE DATE - IOCC PRESENTING ON APRIL 21ST



On April 21st at the end of Divine Liturgy, Lou Zagami, Development Officer for International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), will offer a presentation to the community and accept questions. IOCC has offices set up around the world and provides humanitarian relief and sustainable development programs.

Lou will update us how IOCC is helping people who are living under extreme hardships.

The Mission of IOCC:

IOCC, in the spirit of Christ's love, offers emergency relief and development programs to those in need worldwide, without discrimination, and strengthens the capacity of the Orthodox Church to so respond. For more information and how you can help -

- <https://iocc.org/about/our-mission>

UKRAINIAN PYSANKA



Join us on **April 20th at 10:00 a.m.** in Cathedral's Youth room to learn how to make intricately decorated eggs known as Ukrainian "pysanky" - traditionally created to celebrate Easter. Steeped in history and culture, discover the ancient wax-resist technique - the process that gives the eggs their beautiful and distinctive look. The event costs \$25, all supplies are provided, and all proceeds go to fund humanitarian aid in Ukraine.

If you have questions or want to register, email Marta Mudri at marta.a.mudri@gmail.com



JUNIOR AND ZOE DANCE PRACTICE SCHEDULE - 2024

June	2, 9, 23**, 30
July	14, 21, 28
August	4, 11, 18, 25

When Catechetical school is in session times are: 12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m.

When Catechetical school is NOT in session times are: 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact Vicky Constantinidis-Gardikes at 614.778-3219.

**** NOTE: TIME CHANGE FOR JUNE 23rd PENTECOST is (12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.)**



Star House

Thank you for your continued support of Star House through your generous donation of new items. Please place **NEW** items in the Star House container in the main coat room. **Star House seasonal and general priority needs include:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Winter coats• Large, insulated gloves• Large wool socks• Winter hats• Hand warmers• New underwear for men and women (boxer/boxer briefs preferred for men)• Sweatpants• Women's jeans of all sizes, especially large• Leggings• Solid color T-shirts | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boots and Shoes (comfortable for walking long distances)• Bikes• Tents• Backpacks• Blankets• African American haircare products (oils and gels)• Sleeping bags• Large towels• Other men's and women's clothing (all kinds) |
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Contact Helen Rankin, Diane Chakalis, or Nancy Paparodis if you have questions.

BABY DIAPER & WIPES DRIVE IS NOW AN ONGOING MINISTRY



We heard that babies and toddlers in Columbus needed diapers and we responded. We had no idea that each time we arrived with a new load of diapers, they would be received with such exuberance and gratitude.



Packages were literally opened on the spot and donated immediately. Realizing that there is such a tremendous need, we feel called to continue to collect diapers and wipes as an ongoing ministry. Your overwhelming support and donations have been greatly appreciated

by both agencies where we made deliveries. They were able to disperse over 2,000 diapers on our behalf. This ministry would not be possible without your generous support and love for the tiniest people in our communities. May God bless all the little babies and families undergoing financial hardship in the Greater Columbus area.

- We are collecting size 4 and up baby diapers, pull-ups, swimmers and baby wipes.
- Donations will benefit the *Columbus Diaper Coalition* and the *Worthington Resource Pantry* (serving North Columbus, Westerville, Worthington and Galena).
- Diapers are not covered under public assistance programs that help with other basic needs facing families.
- Fresh, clean diapers will help us provide a basic necessity for the health and happiness of families and babies.



Donations can be placed in the plastic bin marked "Baby Diaper & Wipes Drive" in the main coat room. Thank you for your generosity.

The background of the poster is a vibrant jungle scene. At the top, two brown sloths are hanging from thin branches, holding onto them with their long limbs. Below them, a giraffe with a yellow and brown spotted pattern is visible on the left. In the center, there are two large blue elephants with white tusks. To the right of the elephants is a brown rhinoceros. In the bottom center, there is a pink and black ostrich. The background is filled with large, green, tropical-looking leaves. The entire poster is framed by a decorative black border with a repeating geometric pattern.

Vacation Bible School Session #1: “Animals in the Church”

June 3-5, 2024

9AM - 12PM

**RSVP by email to
youth@greekcathedral.com
or use QR code**



Little Lambs

Spring 2024 Gatherings

Playgroup

March 6th

April 10th

May 15th

3:30-4:30 PM

Greek School

Every Wednesday

through May 15

Except Holy Week

4:30-5:30 PM

Rooms III-III3

Snacks Provided!



Metropolis of Pittsburgh Summer Camp 2024

Week 1: June 16-22

2nd-4th Grade

Week 2: June 23-29

5th-7th Grade

Week 3: June 30-July 6

7th-9th Grade

Week 4: July 7-13

10th-12th Grade

Registration will open March 25, 2024!

More Information:

y2am.pittsburgh.goarch.org/summercamp

INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES



BEACON OF HOPE: IOCC's Humanitarian Work

Sunday April 21, 2024

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral

555 N. High St

Columbus, Ohio 43215

Louis Zagami, IOCC Development Officer
will lead a discussion on IOCC's worldwide
humanitarian programs and answer questions about
how you support people in need around the world.

IOCC, in the spirit of Christ's love, offers emergency relief and development programs to those in need,
without discrimination, and strengthens the capacity of the Orthodox Church to so respond.



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Vacation Bible School Session #2: "Being Transfigured in Christ"

August 5-7, 2024

August 5 & 7, 9 AM-12 PM

**August 6, Liturgy at 9 AM
followed by VBS 11 AM - 1 PM**



RSVP by email to
youth@greekcathedral.com
or scan QR code



Dear Faithful,

We have entered into one of our most holy periods of the year. The Church calls us to prepare for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand. She calls us to intensify our prayer to God, to prepare our mind and soul for His Eternal Kingdom, and to taste of the newness of life—"receive the Body of Christ, taste of the spring of immortality." We sing the "Alleluia" hymns to "Christ is Risen." We prepare ourselves mentally and physically. The physical Church building, as we all witness, undergoes changes during this time too. The Orthodox Church calls us to pray with all our senses: taste, sight, smell, touch and hearing. We beautify our Church as an offering of spiritual fragrance and ask God to receive our offering at His Celestial Altar and send down upon us the Grace of His Holy and Life-Giving Spirit.

Please contemplate offering a donation towards one of the items on the attached list. The amounts are suggested donations and do not necessarily reflect the actual cost of any one item. When making your offering, remember this is a time not only to offer ourselves, but to also offer each other to God. Pray for one another by including a list of names of living and departed loved ones. Your offering and list of names can be submitted together. The names will be prayed for at every Divine Liturgy until Bright Week.

A Blessed Great Fast,

+Fr Demetrios Gardikes

+LIVING

+ETERNAL MEMORY

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Item(s)Wishing to
Donate _____

Gift Enclosed \$ _____ (Please write in notes field "Flower Offering")

LENTEN & HOLY WEEK FLOWER DONATIONS

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SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

Sunday of Orthodoxy Icon	45.00
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FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Feast of the Annunciation Icon	45.00
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SUNDAY OF THE ELEVATION OF THE CROSS

Elevation of Cross Icon (3rd Sunday of Lent)	45.00
Procession Cross	45.00

SALUTATIONS (five Fridays)

Salutation Icon 1st Friday	50.00
Salutation Icon 2nd Friday	50.00
Salutation Icon 3rd Friday	50.00
Salutation Icon 4th Friday	50.00
Salutation Icon 5th Friday	50.00

LAZARUS SATURDAY

Lazarus Saturday Icon	45.00
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PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday Icon	45.00
Palms	35.00
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Bridegroom Icon- (Palm Sun. thru Holy Wed.)	150.00

HOLY WEDNESDAY

Oil for Holy Unction Service	20.00
Flour	20.00
*(used for Holy Thurs., Sat. and Pascha Proskforo)	
*anyone Interested in baking Proskforo for any of the Holy Week, Pascha or Divine Services throughout the year may ask for some flour after Holy Wednesday's Unction Service	
Last Supper Icon	45.00

HOLY THURSDAY

Crucifixion Wreath for Christ "Stefani"	50.00
Candles for Cross	
Crucifix Candle 1	10.00
Crucifix Candle 2	10.00
Crucifix Candle 3	10.00
12 Gospel Candles	
Candle 1	10.00
Candle 2	10.00
Candle 3	10.00
Candle 4	10.00
Candle 5	10.00
Candle 6	10.00
Candle 7	10.00
Candle 8	10.00
Candle 9	10.00
Candle 10	10.00
Candle 11	10.00
Candle 12	10.00
Icon of Christ on the Cross	45.00

OFFERING	GIFT
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HOLY FRIDAY

Christ's Burial Sheet	20.00
Icon of Christ in the Tomb	45.00
Rose Petals for Priest & Myrofores	65.00
Epitaphios Candles (4)	45.00
Epitaphios Rose Water	20.00
Processional Candles	10.00
6 White Azalea Plants	
Azalea Plant 1	20.00
Azalea Plant 2	20.00
Azalea Plant 3	20.00
Azalea Plant 4	20.00
Azalea Plant 5	20.00
Azalea Plant 6	20.00
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HOLY SATURDAY/PASCHA

Morning Flower Petal Assortment	75.00
Resurrection Icon	60.00
Easter Lilies for Solea	
Lily Plants (2)	40.00
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Holy Altar Incense	15.00
Holy Altar Communion Wine	25.00
Holy Week Holy Altar Candles	10.00
Holy Altar Vigil Candle Oil	20.00
Priests' Resurrection Candle	150.00
Narthex "Proskinitarion" Icon Floral	40.00
Bright Week Altar Votive Candle	10.00

*If you would like to volunteer to help decorate icons during Lent and Holy Week, please contact
Fr. Demetrios Gardikes*

God Bless You!



All girls in grades 2-6 are invited to be Holy Week Myrrhbearers (Μυροφόροι).

The myrrhbearers will participate in the Palm Sunday, Holy Friday Evening
and Holy Saturday Midnight Resurrection services.

Myrrhbearers will need to wear a white dress.

There are white dresses that have been donated and are available on a first come basis.

For more information, please sign up via email by Friday, April 19th:

deborah.pries@gmail.com or call 614-832-7659



Past Myrrhbearing Girls are welcome to sign up to be helpers!

Timeless Treasures



Annunciation Philoptochos "Timeless Treasures" Rummage Sale - Saturday, June 1st

Clean out your clutter and donate your good quality used items to help fund our ministries!

Items we will accept:

- Books/ DVD's/ CD's/ Teaching supplies
- Small electronics
- Office supplies
- Kitchenware -Small appliances, baking and cookware, kitchen tools, decor, tablecloths, cloth napkins, dishes, flatware, cups, mugs, serving pieces
- Linens (no bedding, please)
- Bathroom - beauty tools ie hairdryer, curling iron; decor, shelving, organization
- Clothing, shoes, belts, purses, scarves
- Decorative items
- Jewelry
- Gardening items, Outdoor decor items
- Tools - Hand tools, Small power tools
- Holiday items- Spring and Summer holidays
- Children's toys
- Vintage/ antique items/ collectibles
- Small exercise equipment

Items that you should call / text to confirm:

- furniture
- art
- bicycle

Items we cannot accept:

- Large appliances
- Futons/ Sofa beds/ Mattresses
- Bedding of any kind
- Upholstered furniture
- Stuffed animals
- Cribs/ Playpens
- Car Seats
- Helmets, safety equipment
- Pool tables
- Entertainment centers
- Bulky furniture
- TV's over 32 inches
- CRT TV's or monitors

Donations will be collected Sunday, April 7th thru Sunday, May 26th.

Please place donations on the left side of the coatroom by the Rummage Sale sign after church on Sundays, or let us know if you will be dropping off another day of the week.

We ask that all donations be in good condition and any linens/ clothing be laundered and clean.

Thank you! We can not do this without your generous donations!

Call or text Jeannie Dieker with questions or if you would like to help or donate (614) 795-5444



Youth Ministry

GOYA VOLLEYBALL

I am very excited to announce that we have found two coaches for GOYA volleyball! SIGMA and OCF students Emma Robinson and Antonia (Toni) Sfikas are very excited to begin practicing with our GOYAns for the outdoor sand volleyball tournament in Cleveland on June 1st! All GOYAns are encouraged to begin coming to practices beginning on April 9th from 6:30-8 PM in the gym through May 28th. As teams for volleyball are mixed, there will not be separate boys' and girls' practices like basketball.

Please note, there will not be practices on April 30th due to Holy Week nor May 7th due to finals at OSU. Please also note, that though the tournament is in the summer, only GOYAns from this current academic year (2023-2024) are eligible to participate per the rules of the Metropolis of Pittsburgh Athletic Committee. For any further questions, please feel free to reach out! I hope to see many of our GOYAns at our first practice!

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS



****ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS****

Please send a short bio, post-graduation plans, and your photo to: secretary@greekcathedral.com, so we can publish in the Charioteer. Deadline is Monday, April 15, 2024. Please copy Fr. Demetri at papademetri@gmail.com. Forms are located in the Narthex and front entrance.

SIXTH ANNUAL IONIAN VILLAGE SCHOLARSHIPS **DEADLINE IS MAY 12, 2024******

A generous Annunciation parishioner has initiated a program to award two full-paid scholarships to attend Ionian Village in the summer of 2024. The Scholarship covers airfare to and from New York City as well as camp fees. In addition, awardees will receive a stipend of \$500 to cover incidental expenses. The Ionian Village is a ministry hosted by the Archdiocese. The mission of Ionian Village is to enrich the lives of its participants by bringing campers and staff into close contact with their Orthodox faith and Hellenic heritage. Ionian Village provides the opportunity for young people of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America to Greece to foster a life-long appreciation and love of Greece, Orthodoxy, and Hellenism.

This Scholarship will be awarded to two candidates from our Annunciation Cathedral demonstrating the desire to enrich their lives by learning more about the Orthodox Faith and the Hellenic Culture. The application process will include an essay, letters of recommendation, and a potential interview with the selection committee. All personal information will be held in strict confidence. Candidates must be Greek Orthodox and from a family considered a steward of our community. Candidates must be in high school grades 9-12. There are two sessions:

SUMMER 2024 Sessions:

- Session One: June 25 – July 14, 2024
- Session Two: July 23 – August 11, 2024

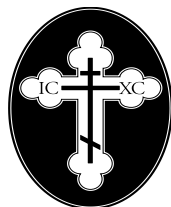
Application deadline is Sunday, May 12, 2024. Details of Ionian Village are available at <https://www.ionianvillage.org/summer-camp>. Application materials will be available soon by emailing Sharon Black at sharonk.black3@gmail.com.

TO SIGN UP TO ATTEND, YOU MUST REGISTER.

Holy Friday

LUMINARIAS

+ In Loving Memory +



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Your Name _____

Phone# or email _____

Donation: \$5.00 per name

Luminarias will be lit and placed
before the Lamentation Service on Holy Friday Evening

Monies from this project will support His Eminence Metropolitan Savas' Benevolence Fund and the
Annunciation Sts. Cyril and Methodius
Religious Education and Missions Fund.

Please make checks payable to "Greek Orthodox Cathedral"

Return to :

Fr. Demetrios, Helen Rankin, Deborah Pries or the Church Office. Thank You!

*Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion,
kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12*