



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST GREEK ORTHODOX

*Following St. John the Baptist, we prepare the way of the Lord,
that all may be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth.*

SUNDAY BULLETIN

OCTOBER 18, 2026

Today

Commemorations:

- Luke the Evangelist
- Marinos the Martyr

Memorials:

- 40-day: George Vourvoulis
- 1-year: Panagiotis Tselepatiotis
- 3-year: John Costopoulos
- 4-year: Katerina Petropoulos



ΑΙΩΝΙΑ Η ΜΝΗΜΗ ΑΥΤΩΝ!
May their memory be eternal!

On Duty:

- Pangari: Team A (St. Andrew)
- Acolytes: Team B (Archangel Gabriel)

***Welcome to the Cephalonian
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COME AND SEE THE RISEN LORD!

Join us each Sunday morning for
Orthros/Matins conducted
in Greek & English.

- Orthros Binders are in the narthex with service text
- Proper attire is required during church services.

HOLY COMMUNION

We welcome all to worship with us! Holy Communion is offered to Baptized and Chrismated Orthodox Christians who are prepared to receive.

Sunday Services

Matins/Orthros (MC)....8:30am
Divine Liturgy (GAC)..9:30am
Divine Liturgy(MC).....9:45am

Weekday Services

Matins/Orthros 8:00am
Divine Liturgy 9:00am



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ENTRANCE HYMN

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

Come let us worship and bow down
before Christ. Son of God, who rose
from the dead, save us who sing to
Thee, Alleluia.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION

3RD TONE

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

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth
be glad! The Lord has shown the
strength of His arm. By death He has
trampled death; He became the
firstborn from the dead, rescued us
from Hades, and bestowed great mercy
on the world.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

3RD TONE

Ἀπόστολε ἅγιε καὶ Εὐαγγελιστὰ
Λουκᾶ, πρέσβευε τῷ ἐλεήμονι Θεῷ,
ἵνα πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν παράσχη ταῖς
ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

O holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke,
intercede with our merciful God, that
He may grant forgiveness of sins to
our souls.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST

4TH TONE

Ἀκέστῳ σοφώτατος, Ἱερομύστα
Λουκᾶ, ζωγράφος πανάριστος, τῆς
Θεοτόκου Μητρός, ἐδείχθης
Ἀπόστολε, ἔγραψας μάκαρ, λόγους,
διὰ πνεύματος θείου, ἔδωκας
ἐννοῆσαι, συγκατάβασιν ἄκραν,
Χριστοῦ τῆς παρουσίας, διὸ
πρέσβευε σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Most wise physician, initiate of
sacred mysteries, Luke, all-excellent
painter of the Mother of God
(Theotokos), you were shown to be a
holy Apostle. You wrote, O blessed
one, words through the Divine Spirit,
giving us to understand the supreme
condescension of Christ's coming.
Therefore, intercede that our souls
may be saved.



APOLYTIKION FOR THE GUARDIAN ANGEL

3RD TONE

Φύλαξ Ἄγγελε, φρούρει καὶ σκέπε, τοῦ
δοθέντα σοι εἰς προστασίαν, ἀπὸ παντός
σκοτεινοῦ παραπτώματος. Ἐκ
κατηχήσεως γάρ ο Φιλάνθρωπος, πρὸς
τόν πιστόν σε κατέστησε φύλακα. Ὅθεν
Ἄγγελε, Χριστόν τόν Θεόν ἰκέτευε,
φυλάττειν μέ πιστόν Θεοῦ θεράποντα.

Guard and shelter me, who am entrusted to
your guardianship, Guardian Angel, lest I fall
into a dark sin of any kind. The Lord who
loves all humanity assigns your kind to each
believer at the time of their baptism as their
guardian. And therefore entreat Christ our
God, and guard me the believer, as the servant
of God.

MEMORIAL APOLYTIKION PLAGAL OF THE 4TH TONE

Μνήσθητι, Κύριε, ὡς ἀγαθὸς τον δούλον
σου, καὶ ὅσα ἐν βίῳ, ἡμάρτησον
συγχώρησον· οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ
μὴ σὺ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τοῖς μεταστᾶσι,
δοῦναι τὴν ἀνάπαυσιν.

Remember Your servant, O Lord, since
You are good, and forgive them for all
their sins in life; for no one is without sin
except for You who are able to give rest to
those who have passed away.

APOLYTIKION OF THE PARISH - ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST 2ND TONE

Μνήμη Δικαίου μέτ' ἐγκωμίων, σοὶ δὲ
ἀρκέσει ἡ μαρτυρία τοῦ Κυρίου
Πρόδρομε· ἀνεδείχθης γὰρ ὄντως καὶ
Προφητῶν σεβασμιώτερος, ὅτι καὶ ἐν
ρείθροις βαπτίσει κατηξιώθης τὸν
κηρυττόμενον. Ὅθεν τῆς ἀληθείας
ὑπεραθλήσας, χαίρων εὐηγγελίσω καὶ
τοῖς ἐν Ἄδῃ, Θεὸν φανερωθέντα ἐν
σαρκί, τὸν αἴροντα τὴν ἀμαρτίαν τοῦ
κόσμου, καὶ παρέχοντα ἡμῖν τὸ μέγα
ἔλεος.

The memory of the just is observed with
hymns of praise; for you suffices the
testimony of the Lord, O Forerunner. You
have proved to be truly more ven'erable than
the Prophets, since you were granted to
baptize in the river the One whom they
proclaimed. Therefore, when for the truth
you had contested, rejoicing, to those in
Hades you preached the Gospel, that God
was manifested in the flesh, and takes away
the sin of the world, and grants to us great
mercy.

KONTAKION 2ND TONE

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν
ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν
Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης,
ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ
πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν
ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι·
Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς
ἰκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε,
τῶν τιμώντων σε.

OProtection of Christians that never falls,
intercession with the Creator that never
fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the
voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we
implore you, quickly come unto our aid,
when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to
intercession, and hasten to supplication, O
Theotokos who protect now and ever those
who honor you.



Αδελφοί, να φέρεστε με σοφία απέναντι σε όσους βρίσκονται έξω από την Εκκλησία, αξιοποιώντας κάθε ευκαιρία. Ο λόγος σας να είναι πάντοτε ευγενικός και ουσιαστικός, ώστε να ξέρετε πώς να απαντάτε στον καθένα. Για όσα με αφορούν θα σας ενημερώσει ο Τυχικός, αγαπητός αδελφός και πιστός συνεργάτης στην υπηρεσία του Κυρίου. Τον στέλνω για να μάθει νέα σας και να σας ενθαρρύνει, μαζί με τον Ονήσιμο, τον πιστό και αγαπητό αδελφό σας. Αυτοί θα σας πληροφορήσουν για όσα συμβαίνουν εδώ. Σας χαιρετά ο Αρίσταρχος, συγκρατούμενός μου, ο Μάρκος, συγγενής του Βαρνάβα, και ο Ιησούς που ονομάζεται Ιούστος. Είναι συνεργάτες μου για τη βασιλεία του Θεού και μου έχουν προσφέρει παρηγοριά. Σας χαιρετούν επίσης ο αγαπητός γιατρός Λουκάς και ο Δημάς. Χαιρετήστε τους αδελφούς στη Λαοδίκεια, τον Νυμφά και την εκκλησία που συγκεντρώνεται στο σπίτι του. Όταν διαβαστεί η επιστολή αυτή ανάμεσά σας, φροντίστε να διαβαστεί και στη Λαοδίκεια· διαβάστε και εσείς την επιστολή που θα έρθει από εκεί. Πείτε στον Άρχιππο να ολοκληρώσει τη διακονία που έλαβε από τον Κύριο. Σας χαιρετώ εγώ, ο Παύλος, με το χέρι μου. Να θυμάστε τα δεσμά μου. Η χάρη ας είναι μαζί σας. Αμήν.

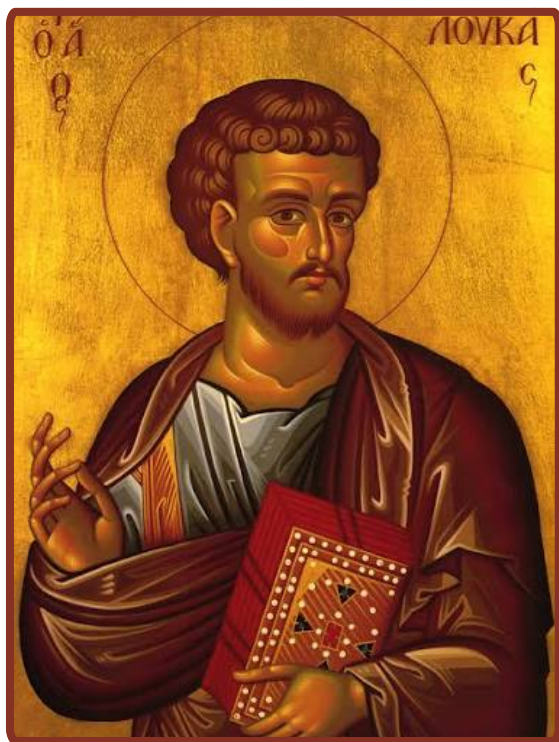
Brothers and sisters, act wisely toward those outside the Church, making good use of every opportunity. Let your speech always be gracious and thoughtful, so that you know how to respond to each person. Tychicus, our beloved brother and faithful servant of the Lord, will tell you about my circumstances. I am sending him to learn how you are doing and to encourage you, together with Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother from among you. They will tell you what is happening here. Aristarchus, my fellow prisoner, sends greetings, as do Mark, the cousin of Barnabas, and Jesus called Justus. These coworkers for God's kingdom have comforted me. Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas also greet you. Greet the brothers and sisters in Laodicea, Nymphas, and the congregation meeting in his home. After this letter is read among you, arrange for it to be read in Laodicea too, and read the letter coming from there. Tell Archippus to fulfill the ministry entrusted to him by the Lord. I, Paul, write this greeting in my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you. Amen.





Ο Κύριος είπε στους μαθητές του:
«Όποιος ακούει εσάς, ακούει εμένα·
και όποιος απορρίπτει εσάς,
απορρίπτει εμένα. Όποιος
απορρίπτει εμένα, απορρίπτει
εκείνον που με έστειλε». Οι
εβδομήντα μαθητές επέστρεψαν
γεμάτοι χαρά και είπαν: «Κύριε,
ακόμη και τα δαιμόνια
υποτάσσονται σε εμάς όταν
επικαλούμαστε το όνομά σου!»
Εκείνος τους απάντησε: «Εβλεπα
τον σατανά να πέφτει από τον
ουρανό σαν αστραπή. Σας έχω
δώσει εξουσία να πατάτε πάνω σε
φίδια και σκορπιούς και να νικάτε
κάθε δύναμη του εχθρού, χωρίς
τίποτε να μπορεί να σας βλάψει.
Ωστόσο, μη χαίρεστε επειδή τα
πνεύματα σας υποτάσσονται· να
χαίρεστε επειδή τα ονόματά σας
είναι γραμμένα στους ουρανούς».
Εκείνη την ώρα ο Ιησούς αγαλλίασε
με το Άγιο Πνεύμα και είπε: «Σε
δοξάζω, Πατέρα, Κύριε του
ουρανού και της γης, γιατί έκρυψες
αυτά τα πράγματα από τους σοφούς
και τους μορφωμένους και τα
φανέρωσες στους απλούς σαν
παιδιά. Ναι, Πατέρα, γιατί έτσι ήταν
το θέλημά σου».

The Lord told His disciples: “Whoever listens to you listens to Me; whoever rejects you rejects Me, and whoever rejects Me rejects the One who sent Me.” The seventy disciples returned rejoicing: “Lord, even the demons obey us when we invoke Your name!” He answered them: “I watched Satan fall from heaven like lightning. I have given you authority over serpents, scorpions, and every power of the enemy; nothing will overcome you. Yet do not rejoice simply because the spirits obey you. Rejoice instead because your names have been written in heaven.” At that moment Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said: “I praise You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because You concealed these things from the wise and learned and revealed them to those who are like little children. Yes, Father, for this was pleasing to You.”

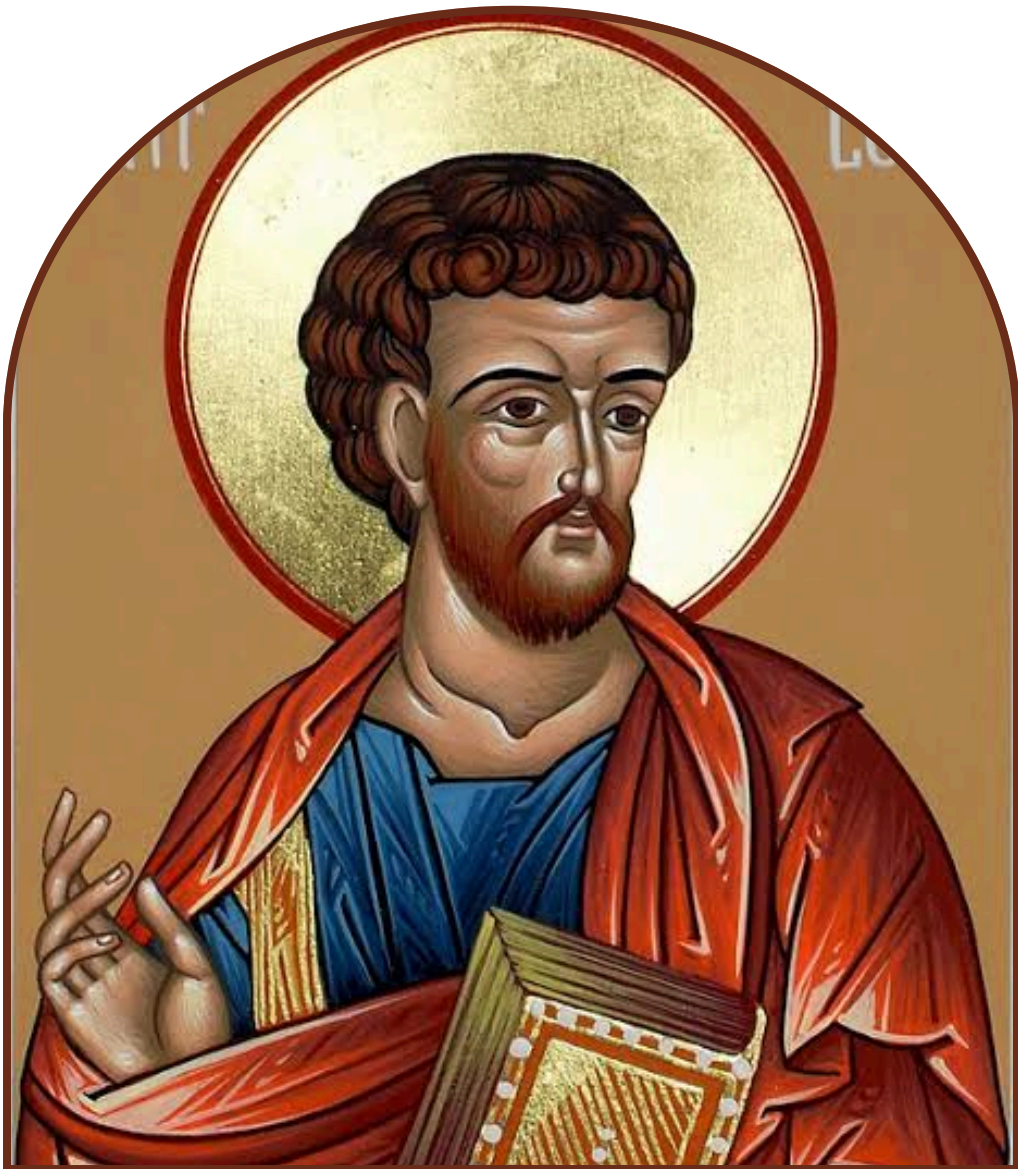


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LUKE THE EVANGELIST

Μακαρίζομέν σου τὴν δεξιάν,
Λουκᾶ θεηγόρε, δι' ἧς ἔχομεν
οἱ πιστοί, τὰς τοῦ Θεοῦ
Λόγου, διττὰς ἀγίας πλάκας,
καὶ τὴν σεπτὴν Εἰκόνα, τῆς
Θεομήτορος.

Ο Luke, discourses of God, blessed
is thy right hand, for by it two
sacred writings of the word of God
were recorded for us, the faithful,
together with the august icon of the
Mother of God.



This Week at St. John the Baptist

Sunday, October 18

- **8:30am Orthros (MC) 9:45am Divine Liturgy (MC)**
- **9:30am Divine Liturgy (GAC)**
- Sunday School @ conclusion of Divine Liturgy in GAC or after Holy Communion in MC

Monday, October 19

- 6pm Basketball Practice (Boys, 3rd–4th)
- 7pm Basketball Practice (HS Boys)

Tuesday, October 20

- **8am Orthros & Divine Liturgy (MC) Sts. Gerasimos & Artemios**
- 1pm Reading the Holy Scriptures in Greek with Fr. John
- 6pm Philoptochos Board Meeting
- 7pm Philoptochos General Meeting
- 7pm Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, October 21

- 10am Martha & Mary Ministry
- 10:30am HOPE: The Jesus Prayer
- 5pm Greek Immersion & Open House
- 5pm Basketball (Girls 3rd–6th)
- 6pm Basketball (Boys 5th–6th & 7th & 8th)
- 7pm Basketball (Girls 7th–12th)
- 7pm GAODS School Board

Thursday, October 22

- 7pm Weekly English Bible Study
- 8pm Men's Basketball

Friday, October 23

- **8am Orthros & Divine Liturgy (MC) St. Iakovos**

Saturday, October 24

- 9am Pythagoras Greek School & OXI Day Celebration
- **5pm Great Vespers (GAC)**

Sunday, October 25

- **8:30am Orthros (MC) 9:45am Divine Liturgy (MC)**
- **9:30am Divine Liturgy (GAC)**
- Sunday School @ conclusion of Divine Liturgy in GAC or after Holy Communion in MC
- Pythagoras Donut Sale after Divine Liturgy in the Great Hall
- 2pm Pan-Orthodox Choir Practice

Community Focus

Find more info on these events on the church website.



Stewardship Corner

Have you seen this month's
60 Seconds for Stewardship?

Follow the QRcode below to invest 60seconds

Scan for the latest
60 Seconds for Stewardship



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“When someone stops facing things in a worldly manner, he finds himself at ease.”

Saint Paisios of Mount Athos
Spiritual Councils IV

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We all are called annually to renew our commitment as Stewards of St. John the Baptist.

Have you renewed your stewardship for 2026?

If not yet, please use the QR code to the right to renew (or to explore becoming a steward) today!



“Give thanks to the lord, for He is good; His mercy endures forever.”
Psalm 106:1

Please join us for the
GUARDIAN ANGEL ORTHODOX DAY SCHOOL
St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church



Gala

November 1, 2026

Feast of the Holy Unmercenaries,
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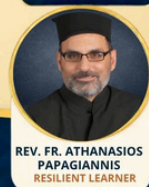
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go and lead your child by
the hand into the church.”*
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- ✦ Cottages - two cottages (sleeps 32 each cottage, featuring communal style accommodations).
- ✦ Meeting Spaces – 1 large or 4 breakout meeting plus large Great Room patios, balconies and log lodge gathering space. Additional small conference room in office building. Seven (7) total meeting spaces.
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- ✦ Future activities planned but not yet funded: more athletic fields, a multiple purpose indoor rec center, additional cottages, a celebration gazebo, a church, and bocce ball.
- ✦ The Log Chapel Life-Giving Spring seats 35 people and is adorned with beautiful icon paintings.

** Church retreats not included.*



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General Meeting

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 **TUESDAY**
OCTOBER 20TH |  **7:00 PM** |  **IN THE BLUE ROOM**

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METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO
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PARENTS' EVENING
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH

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Join us for a short Paraklisis at 6:30 PM
followed by a Panel Discussion at 7:30 PM

**From TikTok to AI:
What Parents Need to Know**

Panelists:

- Fr. Athanasios Papagiannis** - Former HS Counselor
- Nicholas Barnhill** - Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor
- Steven Milak** - Software Engineer at Google



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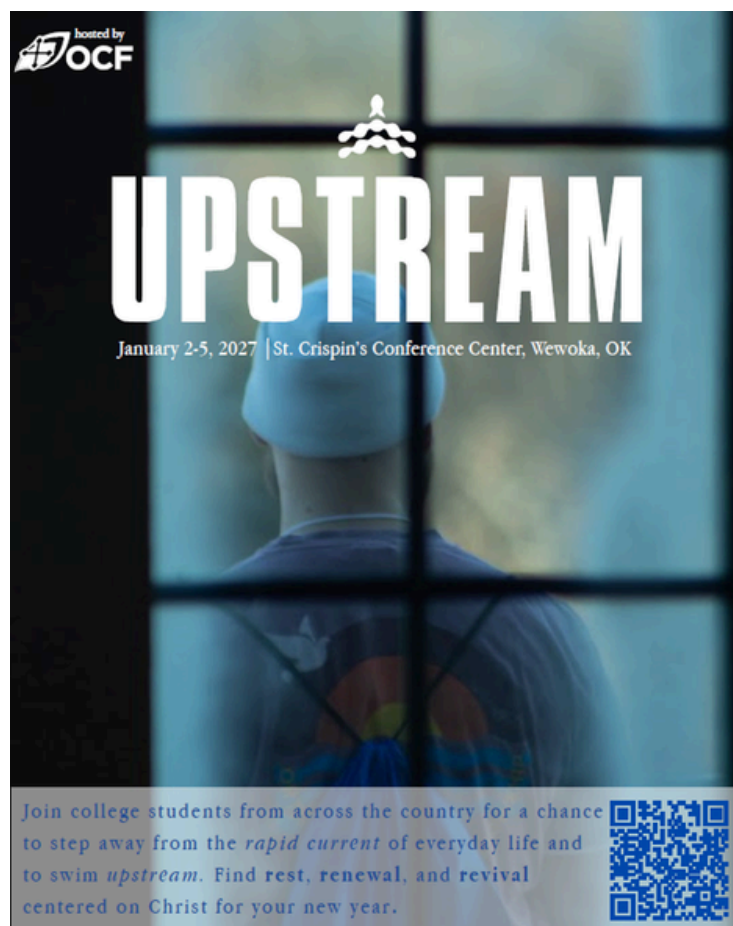
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together as we pray, break
bread, and grow together in
our faith and friendships. Come
as strangers, leave as brothers
and sisters in Christ!

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7:30 LENTEN DINNER, DISCUSSION & SOCIAL
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DOZEN**

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026



**DONUTS FOR SALE
SUNDAY TOO!**
AFTER DIVINE LITURGY
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026



OXI

28 Οκτωβρίου
1940

Το Ελληνικό Σχολείο
Πυθαγόρας του Αγίου
Ιωάννη του Βαπτιστή
σας προσκαλεί με χαρά
και υπερηφάνεια να
γιορτάσετε μαζί μας
την επέτειο του «OXI»!

Pythagoras Greek School
of St. John the Baptist
joyfully invites you to join us
in celebrating the glorious
anniversary of
“OXI Day”!

Σάββατο
24 Οκτωβρίου 2026
στις 12 μ.μ.

Our celebration will take
place on
Saturday, October 24, 2026
at 12:00 pm.

Σας περιμένουμε!

We would be delighted
to have you join us!



**Η Αγία Σκέπη της Παναγίας
και το Θαύμα του 1940**



**OXI
DAY**



28 Οκτωβρίου
1940

ΠΡΟΣΚΛΗΣΗ

Η διευθύντρια, οι δασκάλες και οι μαθητές του ελληνικού προγράμματος του σχολείου «Φύλακας Άγγελος» σας προσκαλούν στη γιορτή του σχολείου μας, αφιερωμένη στον Εορτασμό της Αγίας Σκέπης και στην Εθνική Επέτειο της 28ης Οκτωβρίου 1940, την Τετάρτη 28 Οκτωβρίου, μετά τη Θεία Λειτουργία, στην εκκλησία του Αγίου Ιωάννη του Βαπτιστή.

Σας περιμένουμε να μας τιμήσετε με την παρουσία σας!

INVITATION

The principal, teachers, and students of the Greek program at Guardian Angel invite you to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Protection of the Theotokos and OXI Day (October 28th) on Wednesday, October 28th, immediately following Divine Liturgy. The program will take place in the main church at St. John the Baptist.

We look forward to the blessing of your presence!



ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟ ΠΥΘΑΓΟΡΑΣ
ΑΓ. ΙΩΑΝΝΗ ΤΟΥ ΒΑΠΤΙΣΤΗ

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



WEDNESDAY EVENING OPEN HOUSE

Τετάρτη,
21 Οκτωβρίου, 2026
5:30 μμ

Wednesday,
21 October, 2026
5:30 pm

REGULAR STUDENT DISMISSAL

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΠΑΡΟΥΣΙΑΣΗΣ:
ΠΑΡΟΥΣΙΑΣΗ ΑΙΘΟΥΣΑ
ΣΥΝΕΔΡΙΑΣΕΩΝ ΤΟΥ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟΥ:
5:30 μμ

ΠΑΡΟΥΣΙΑΣΕΙΣ ΕΚΠΑΙΔΕΥΤΙΚΩΝ:
5:45 μμ

OPEN HOUSE AGENDA:
PRESENTATION IN THE SCHOOL
CONFERENCE ROOM
5:30 pm

IN-CLASS PRESENTATIONS
5:45 pm

Χτίζουμε μαζί με
Πίστη, Γλώσσα
και Παράδοση
Building Together in
Faith, Language
and Culture

Come and visit the classrooms,
meet the teachers, and learn
about the curriculum!



Spiritual Nourishment: Adult Religious Education



Spiritual Calisthenics

Join Fr. Dimitri Tobias every morning at 6:30am for a short Bible Study on the Daily Readings of the day! Daily exercise is good for your body and also for your soul!

Department of Religious Education Kids Sunday Sermon Series

The Kids Sunday Sermon Series is an excellent tool to engage children of various ages with the Gospel. **Fr. Dimitri Tobias** produces videos associated with these sermons for distribution throughout our Archdiocese.

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THE GOSPEL OF ST. LUKE



EVERY THURSDAY
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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ΚΥΚΛΟΣ ΜΕΛΕΤΗΣ ΑΓΙΑΣ ΓΡΑΦΗΣ



EVERY TUESDAY
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Hosted by: **Rev. Fr. John Rallis**

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Martha and Mary Womens Study Group

**Led by Presv. Irene Rallis
every Wednesday at 10 am**

Weekly discussion group on the book

Blinded by Rage:

How Anger Keeps Us from Seeing God

by Fr. Theodore Pulcini & Oswin Craton

In the Educational Building Board Room

Available in our bookstore.

Hear the author's
own words on the
pervasiveness
of anger and its
spiritual harm here:



Elsewhere in the Community

BY THE GRACE OF GOD
AND THROUGH THE APOSTOLIC TRADITION
OF THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

**HIS EMINENCE
METROPOLITAN NATHANAEL
OF CHICAGO**

WILL ORDAIN THE SERVANTS OF GOD

DN. ELIAS PAGONES
TO THE HOLY PRIESTHOOD

AND

GEORGE GIOLAS
TO THE HOLY DIACONATE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2026
8:30AM ORTHOS AND HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY

HOLY TAXIARHAI AND SAINT HARALAMBOS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
7373 CALDWELL AVE. NILES, IL 60714

RECEPTION FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY
IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND THE RECEPTION,
KINDLY RESPOND BY MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2026
(847) 647-8880 OR OFFICE@SAINTHARALAMBOCOC.ORG



Women's
**RETREAT
2026**

Come join us for a special Women's Fall Retreat filled with fellowship, encouragement, and time together

Father Daniel will lead us in a meaningful discussion on a topic relevant to our lives and faith. We'll also enjoy a shared meal.

November 7, 2026
12:00-3:00pm

**St Peter St. Paul
Orthodox Church**
6980 S County Line Rd, Burr Ridge, IL 60527

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To Allie (815) 278-8956





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**7TH November
2026**

ST. GEORGE CATHEDRAL
CHICAGO, IL

10:30AM-3:30PM
COFFEE & LUNCH PROVIDED

RSVP BY OCTOBER 31ST TO ENSURE YOUR SEAT



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4TH ANNUAL DINNER BENEFITING METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO HCHC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE

We are thrilled to invite you to a special fundraiser supporting the Chicago Metropolis Students at our cherished Hellenic College: Holy Cross School of Theology. These dedicated students are preparing to serve our Church and communities, carrying forward a rich tradition of faith, leadership, and service.

This event is hosted by the Metropolis of Chicago, the Chicago Metropolis Archons, the Chicago Metropolis Philoptochos, HCHC Alumni Association, the Men's Groups of Assension, Holy Apostles, St. Athanasios, St. George, St. Nectarios, and Sts. Peter & Paul, and YAL of St. George—all united in their commitment to support our future leaders.

Your generous support will directly fund educational expenses—including books, housing, and other costs of formation—helping these students fully embrace their calling, and pursue excellence in their preparation. By investing in these future leaders, you are helping to nurture the next generation of clergy and lay leaders who will guide our faithful with wisdom, compassion, and dedication.

We hope you will join us in this meaningful mission to empower students and strengthen the life of our Church. Together, we can make a lasting difference.

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The Empress Banquets

ADDISON, IL

Thursday, November 5, 2026

6:00 PM COCKTAILS

7:00 PM DINNER



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Saints Commemorated this Week

October

Mon, 19
Prophet Joel,
Martyr Varys,
John of Rila

Tues, 20
Great
Martyr
Artemius,
Gerasimus

Wed, 21
Hilarion the
Great,
Christodoulos

Thurs, 22
Abercius of
Hierapolis,
7 Youths

Fri, 23
James the
Brother of
Our Lord

Sat, 24
Arethas the
Great
Martyr,
Sebastian