

Visitors, please read

We warmly welcome all visitors and seekers in our midst today.

Holy Communion is the greatest gift on earth. It is given by God to baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christians, who have prepared themselves with regular prayer, fasting (from midnight, unless there is a medical condition), and confession, and who have the blessing of their spiritual father or confessor to receive it.

We welcome anyone visiting for the first time, and we trust that your experience here will be an uplifting and enriching one. The Orthodox Christian Church is actually a community of local Churches, whose roots are the ancient and native Christian communities of the biblical world, with centers in Jerusalem, Syria, Egypt, and Asia Minor, and by extension in Greece, Cyprus, Russia, North America, and throughout the world.

As a continuation of the ancient Church, we engage the whole person, heart, mind, and all senses in divine worship. This experience has been so powerful to seekers in the past that it was often said "We knew not whether we were in heaven or on earth. We knew only that there God dwelt among men" (Russian Primary Chronicle). That experience of heaven on earth and God in our midst forms the heart of all Orthodox worship.

Our worship culminates in the sharing of Holy Communion, which not only unites us with the Divine, but also expresses the deep unity in faith and life among all Orthodox believers. Since Holy Communion expresses that deep unity in belief and practice alike, it is reserved for practicing Orthodox Christians, who have properly prepared themselves with prayer, fasting, and recent confession. This is because the Orthodox choose not to make an external display of unity with other Christian groups when actual unity of faith and practice does not exist.

While working to restore the full communion that did exist among Christians in antiquity, today we offer the blessed bread (*antidoron*) at the conclusion of the Liturgy, as a gift of hospitality and of growing unity that is offered to all present. If you would like to learn more about the Orthodox way of life, or have any questions about worship or Holy Communion, please approach Fr. Michael or one of the other clergy following the Liturgy.

Thank you for joining us, and again, we welcome you all.

We hope you enjoy your visit with us here at Holy Cross, and we thank you for joining us today.

We formally invite you and/or your guests to join us for coffee hour in the community center next door. If you can stay, we would love to have you!

Sunday, May 19, 2019 ~ Sunday of the Paralytic

The Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles 9:32-42 In those days, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

The Gospel according to John 5:1-15 At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethesda which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water; for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked.

Now that day was the sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk'?" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befall you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him.

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 Fr. Daniel Korba
 Dn. Frank Dickos

Christ is Risen! Christos Anesti!
Coffee hour is sponsored by Parish Council today.

Memorials: George Cardone 2 years
 Samuel Cardone 2 years
 Heather Hilterman 2 years
 John Babb 4 years
 Thomas Gillen 14 years

Visitation today for †Nellie Politis from 2-8pm with Trisaigion at 6:30pm at
 Pittsburgh Cremation & Funeral Care, 3287 Washington Rd. McMurray, PA 15317

This Week:
Monday – May 20 Additional visitation for †Nellie Politis at 10am followed by Funeral at 11am
 4-7pm Farmer's Market
 6:30 pm Paraclesis/Bible Study
Tuesday – May 21 Sts. Constantine and Eleni 8:30am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy
 9:30am Golden Club

Wednesday – May 22 Mid-Pentecost 8:30am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy
 10:30am-2:30 AND 5:30-8:30pm Koulourakia prep & baking
 4:30 pm Greek School last class

Thursday – May 23 10:30am-2:30 AND 5:30-8:30pm Koulourakia
 prep & baking
 7pm Sts. Mary & Martha
 7pm Men's Club

Friday – May 24
Saturday – May 25 No Vespers (Wedding)

Future Food Fair cooking dates:

Lamb Shanks, May 28 & 29 @ 9:30am Contact: John Hoenig 412.478.7942
Pastitsio & Moussaka, June 5,6,7,8 @9:30am Contact: Takis Kontoulis 412.780.3363 or John Hoenig
Beef Kabob Skewering June 9 After Liturgy Contact: George Halkias 412.531.8625



Food Fair Ad Book forms available in the narthex.

Graduate Sunday, June 2nd: High School & College Grads will be recognized. Families, please send in graduates' info to the Office ASAP to be included.



Information to submit:
 ~Name of graduate & proud parents
 ~Name of school graduating from
 ~What he/she intends to study or degree earned
 ~Where he/she plans to further their education (school) or future plans

****So far, we only have a few names??** Thank you Dickos, Galie, Liadis, Milinkovic, Panos, Slater & Toader families for submitting!** I know there are more!

Email: holycrosspit@mail.goarch.org

Many volunteers are needed for the Annual June 11-14, 11:30am-8:30pm, Food Fair! **There will be a sign up table at coffee hour.** Your time and efforts are truly appreciated! Please contact a chairperson below and devote a few hours or ALL day to this Holy Cross effort!

Dena Yamalis - Pastries, dyamalis@comcast.net or 412.343.8355

Adrienne Dickos – Prep Room (salads, dolmathes, tzatziki sauce), Cell 412 .400.4290 Set-up, June 10, 10am-12:30pm-June 11-14, 9am start for salad prep-Busiest times are 9am-11:30am & 4pm-7pm

Denise Sokos- Cashiers, dsokos@mac.com or Cell 412.889.3399 Lunch and Dinner

Elaine Sofis, Main Food Line and Runners, esofis@comcast.net or 412.344.7046

Runners are DESPERATELY needed for lunch shift (11:30-4) and dinner shift(4-8:30pm)

Please contact daily Food Line Chairpersons directly. Lunch Shift is 11:30-4, Dinner Shift is 4-8:30pm. One Line is open 2-4pm if you wish to volunteer at the slower lunch time. OR volunteer from 11:30am -2 or 4:30-7pm. Whatever fits your schedule.

Aliki Andrews & GAPA, Tues, June 11 Lunch- Has all necessary volunteers
Cynthia Kostelnik, Tues, June 11, Dinner, 412 833-9423
Rene Koett, Wednesday, June 12, Lunch, 412 831-3142
Georgia Burkhart, Wed, June 12, Dinner, C 412 596-8954
Sophea Chapas, Thursday, June 13 Lunch, 412 221-8258
Nikki Hardwick, Thurs, June 13 Dinner, C 412 294-6816
Terpsie Katsafanas, Fri, June 14, Lunch, 412 831-2248
Elaine Sofis, Friday, June 14, Dinner, 412 344-7046

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church Profit & Loss April 15 through May 6, 2019	
Apr 15 - May 6, 19	
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
5025 - CH Pledges - Previous Year	175.00
5025 - Automatic Stewardship	9,907.35
5030 - Pledges - Current Year	25,372.15
5215 - Candle Money	5,564.00
5215 - Loose Offerings	524.00
5220 - Special Envelopes	90.00
5230 - Holy Week Envelopes	1,401.00
5241 - Designated Donation	100.00
5430 - Flowers/Communion Wine	2,668.00
5472 - 50th Anniversary Appeal	5,300.00
5475 - Farmers Market	3,300.00
5700 - Interest Income	111.37
5840 - Rental Income	100.00
5900 - Miscellaneous Income	3,997.00
Total Income	62,629.84
Expense	
7000 - Salaries	
7010 - Priest Wages	4,274.17
7015 - Priest Housing Allowance	1,114.25
7016 - Priest Stewardship	500.00
7017 - Priest Salary	500.00
7020 - Priest Travel Wages	500.00
7030 - Priest Medical Insurance	500.00
7040 - Priest Car Payment	500.00
Total 7000 - Priest Salaries	7,488.42
7100 - Security Expenses	1,000.00
7110 - Security Wages	1,000.00
7115 - Security Medical Insurance	1,000.00
7120 - Security Car Payment	1,000.00
Total 7100 - Security Expenses	4,000.00
7200 - Utilities	
7210 - Columbia Gas	789.56
7220 - Electric	1,313.91
7232 - Telephone & Internet	
7274 - Priest Cell Phone	150.00
7232 - Telephone & Internet - Other	585.77
Total 7200 - Utilities	3,979.24
7300 - Church/Office Expenses	
7361 - Archdiocese Stewardship	5,190.00
7363 - Archdiocese Priest Pension	650.00
7320 - Candles	2,924.00
7331 - Publications & Printing	60.00
7332 - Office Supplies	729.58
7333 - Postage	375.00
7339 - Office Equipment	2,512.73
7340 - Greek School Expenses	256.50
7361 - Bank Charges	343.95
7362 - Professional Fees	915.00
7365 - Payroll Processing Fees	175.00
Total 7300 - Church/Office Expenses	14,940.17
7800 - Hall/Event Expenses	
7802 - Custodian Wages	3,074.73
7803 - Maintenance cell phone reimb	50.00
7804 - Columbia Gas	789.56
7806 - Electric	649.48
7809 - Telephone	152.52
7810 - Landscaping	105.00
7819 - Medical Insurance	1,410.55
7820 - Food Fair Expenses	4,367.15
7821 - Credit card machine fee	176.23
7823 - Insurance	1,458.75
7825 - Maintenance & Repairs	349.87
7832 - Misc & Janitorial Supplies	84.56
Total 7800 - Hall/Event Expenses	12,668.99
Total Expenses	45,936.45
Net Ordinary Income	16,693.39
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