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Sunday, April 4, 2021 ~ Sunday of the Holy Cross

The reading is from 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 for ever, after the order of Melchizedek."

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."

Live streaming from Holy Cross: <https://www.holycrosspgh.org/church-live-stream>

THIS WEEK:

- Monday, April 5** 6:30pm Great Compline
- Tuesday, April 6** 7pm GOYA Meeting
7pm Philoptochos Meeting *via Zoom*
- Wednesday, April 7** 4:30pm Greek School
6pm Presanctified Liturgy
- Thursday, April 8** 7-8pm *via Zoom:* →
Teachings on the Sundays of the Great Fast
- Friday, April 9** 9am Presanctified Liturgy
6:30pm Salutations IV
- Saturday, April 10** 10am-2pm Pre-marital Seminar
3pm Confessions
4pm Church School (Pre-K—8th Grade)
5pm Vespers

Join Emmanuel Maginas and Elias Diamond on **Thursday evenings of Great Lent** as they explore themes found in Gospel readings and hymnography. **Meet on Zoom** Thursdays (April 8, 15, 22) to discuss the themes for the following Sunday. If you have any questions, please contact emmanuelmaginas@gmail.com.

Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89673962162>
Meeting ID: 896 7396 2162
One tap mobile:
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Zoom link is the same for each week. It can also be accessed via the website [calendar](#).

Please join us for a Zoom General Philoptochos meeting this Tuesday, April 6th at 7pm. The link will be provided.

The **Neighborhood Resilience Project Pascha Food Drive** begins today and continues on Sundays April 11 and 18. Please place your non-perishables in the vestibule. Thank you for your generosity in these times of great need. Thank you to Kathy Pyros, our fantastic NPR representative. Kathy appreciates anyone who can volunteer to take essentials to NRP.

The **Zoom Greek Easter Bread Cooking Class** scheduled for Saturday, April 10 at 2pm is **CANCELLED**. Domenica Merante is sorry to cancel but Philoptochos is grateful for her offer of this fundraiser. Attendees will be contacted by Thea Manos about reimbursement. Thank you to Thea Manos for her time spent on the planning of this event.

NO BREAD IS BEING SOLD THIS YEAR

