

## **Candidates for 2022 Parish Council in random order:**

### **Tom Mourtacos**

I have been a parishioner since 2016. I've gotten to know many fellow parishioners through participation in church activities and fund raisers, in particular preparing foods and pastries for the Spring and Fall food fairs. I also joined our Altar Society, a group of gentlemen that help clean the church proper weekly. I also have been a member of our Philoptochos Society, a wonderful charitable organization. These activities provide me great personal joy and an opportunity to serve my church. Saying that, I humbly offer my services to serve on the Parish Council.

### **Mark Hummel**

Mark Hummel is a self-employed Professional Land Surveyor and an avid Penguins hockey fan. He was born and raised in George, Iowa. Upon graduation from college, he moved to West Palm Beach, Florida where he lived for 25 years with his wife, Linda. In 2005 Mark and Linda moved to Linda's hometown, in Squirrel Hill, where they lived until her passing in 2018. In 2019, Mark wed Joan Croussouloudis Davin, and was Chrismated into the Orthodox faith. Mark has been an active Holy Cross parishioner for the past three years, participating in the food festivals and the annual golf outing. Most recently, he was very pleased to perform the land survey of the Holy Cross property. Joan and Mark reside in Mount Lebanon along with Joan's son, Peter.

### **Annie Urso**

My name is Annie Urso and I am running for a position on the Holy Cross Parish Council. My husband, Mark and I joined Holy Cross more than 10 years ago when we moved to Bridgeville from Irwin, PA. We have been blessed with three boys, John, Noah and Vincent who serve in the altar most Sundays. Throughout our time at Holy Cross, I have had the opportunity to take part in several parish ministries. I began co-teaching the 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School class three years ago. Since then, I have also helped our pastoral assistants organize and facilitate our Holy Cross JOY program. In addition to church school and the JOY program, I have also volunteered at our Holy Cross Vacation Church School program, food festivals and supported our Philoptochos. Finally, within the past year, I participated with other Holy Cross parishioners in the Effective Christian Ministries Course which provided the opportunity to discuss challenges within the Orthodox church and strategies to better serve and strengthen our parish communities. I hope to be able continue to serve and strengthen our church community as a Holy Cross Parish Council member.

### **Nicholas Tripodes**

I am a lifelong member of Holy Cross Church. I live in USC with my wife, Maria, and three children, Constantine, John, and Francesca. I previously served on the Holy Cross Parish Council in the early 2000's. I have a B.S. in Industrial Management and Economics from Carnegie Mellon University and an MBA (concentration in Finance) from the University of Pittsburgh. I'm a CFA® charter holder and a member of the CFA Society Pittsburgh. I've been employed at Federated Hermes for 28 years and currently serve as Vice President and Portfolio Manager in the Fixed Income Department managing several mutual funds and separate accounts.

### **Chris Chaney**

Holy Cross member since 1992 and previously served on Parish Council (two terms), as Treasurer and Vice President  
Employed at Fort Pitt Capital Group as a Senior Financial Advisor  
Father of Max, Mariel and Emmeline  
Past Board Member, Wesley Family Services  
Current Board Member, Light of Life

### **Frank Kalogeris**

I was born in 1970, baptized at HC and raised in our church. I participated in the Goya program my childhood and continued to help with the Goya basketball program by coaching from 1988 to 2021. Some say I never left. I was married at Holy Cross in 1992 and have 3 kids that were baptized by Father John Chakos at Holy Cross. I have been helping the church with electrical maintenance repairs for the last 33 years and helped with the food fair set up and food fair event. I also was a part of installing the electrical system in the community center along with the renovations of the sanctuary. I currently sit on Parish Council, Building Committee, and Landscape Committee.

### **George Liadis**

My name is George Liadis. My family have been members of Holy Cross since its beginning. Growing up I was part of many of its organizations including a board member. Again want to be part of the board that gives so much back to the community. Holy Cross, the light on the hill, has always been there for all of us in so many ways! Now, I again want to help keep Holy Cross, a viable part of the South Hills, and the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese!