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SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 2023 ~ SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7 In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

The Gospel According to Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8 At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.



Coffee hour is sponsored by Philoptochos.

Please contact the church office to sponsor a coffee hour.

THIS WEEK:

Monday, May 1 6:30pm Paraclesis

Tuesday, May 2

Wednesday, May 3 4:30PM GREEK SCHOOL
7pm Bible Study

Thursday, May 4

Friday, May 5

Saturday, May 6 5pm Vespers

Change in cooking schedule:

Lamb shanks have already been prepped, so no help is needed this week! Plan on the following week, where Pastitsio prep will begin following Divine Liturgy on Monday, May 9 and continue on Tuesday, May 10 and Wednesday, May 11.



Next Philoptochos Meeting is on Tuesday, May 9th @ 7pm

During this meeting, there will be an election for board members.

GOLDEN CLUB MEMBERS: On Wednesday, May 17th, the Golden Club will be traveling by van to the Cathedral of Learning where we will take a 90-minute, guided tour of the Nationality Rooms. Cash admission is \$10. Following the tour, we will dine at The Porch at Schenley.

Please meet at the church at 8:45 a.m. Space is limited so please reserve early by calling Rene: 412-559-1721 or Cynthia: 412-722-9512, no later than May 10th.



Saints Mary & Martha Women's Fellowship: The Akathist Hymn

May 23, 2023 Aspile Speaker: Elias Diamond

At the home of Joanna Ferencz 1028 Francis Road, Castle Shannon 15234

Text to RSVP 724-953-1091

Remember, all meetings run from 7pm-9pm.

Spirit Day at Chick-Fil-A

Tuesday, May 9th, 2023 | 11am-8pm
620 Washington Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15241



Come support the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh's Young Adult Ministries and 15% of tonight's sales will be donated accordingly.

Be sure to mention you're there for Spirit Day!



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METROPOLIS OF
PITTSBURGH

*****Change in date from monthly bulletin*****

Graduate Recognition Sunday, June 11

(Pentecost is June 4)

Graduating High School & College Seniors (post graduate degree earners as well) will be recognized by the Parish. Please send information to Church Office:
holycrosspittsburgh@gmail.com

Information to submit by Tuesday, May 23
to be included in June Crossroads

- ~Name of Graduate and parents
- ~School graduating from (High School or College)
- ~Major intends to study or degree earned
- ~Plans to further education or employment

**Please submit (email) a
photo as well!!!**

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Save the Date

*Summer
Garden Gala*

BENEFITTING
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Saturday, July 29, 2023
Holy Cross Community Center

Join us for an evening of
Cocktails, Strolling Buffet,
Greek Band, Dancing, and
much more.

~Blacktie Optional~

Details at www.holycrosspgh.org/summorgala

HOLY CROSS GREEK FESTIVAL

ONE MONTH TO GO!

It seems like we just finished last year's festival and here it comes again. We set a "High Bar" last year and with all your help and support we are planning to exceed last year's record-breaking event. Our success will hinge on proper preparation. And that groundwork continues....

This is what we have/will prepare in the next month.

Spanakopita	4066	Galaktobourekos	1410
Tiropita	1801	Koulourakia	606 doz
Lamb Shanks	865	Katiafi	1305
Pastitsio	2234	Baklava	5755
Moussaka	1734	Finikia	2235
Lamb Chops	1124	Kourambiethes	2305
Souzoukakia	2028	Karidopita	1326

Date	Item	Chairperson	Phone Number
May 8 th -11 th	Pastitsio	Rita Manganas	813 390-5948
May 14 th -17 th	Syrup(evenings)	Nick Kouknas	412 343-7710
May 17 th &19 th	Baklava	Angela Athanas	724 344-6040
May 13 th & 20 th	Koulourakia	Stephen Yamalis	412 401-4615
May 23 rd -25 th	Kourambiethes	Tom Mourtacos	435 588-0562

Angela will be chairing the prep of Baklava, Finikia & Karidopita.

I still need chairs for:

Galaktobourekos	Moussaka
Dining Area and Trays	Saganaki
Fries and Calamari	Day After Breakdown

Let's have some new chairpersons join the rest of us so that the Festival doesn't fall on the shoulders of the same parishioners. Emails will be sent out the week before each item is prepared so that we can have enough volunteers to complete each preparation.

Thanks in advance, Demetrios Mustakas

"Many hands make light work."