

**SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023**

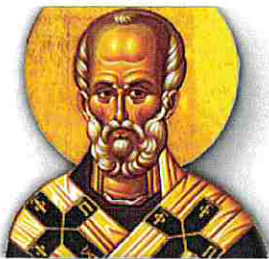
**JESUS GIVES SIGHT TO THE MAN BORN BLIND**

**SS. CONSTANTINE AND HELEN, EQUAL-TO-THE-APOSTLES**

**PACHOMIOS THE NEW MARTYR**

**Orthros Gospel 8**

**Plagal First Tone (Mode)**



## **WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!**

*VISIT [www.stnickspgh.org](http://www.stnickspgh.org) TODAY for news and updates about our parish!*

CLERGY: Rev. Fr. Christopher Bender and Rev. Dn. Robert Lykos

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CHANTER: Steve Andrews

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Steve Andrews

ORGANIST: Roseanne Yu

Questions about our Parish? Email [church@stnickspgh.org](mailto:church@stnickspgh.org) or call 412-682-3866

***Our Sunday worship schedule: Sept 11 – May 31: Orthros 8:45 a.m. & Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.***

**WELCOME, VISITORS!** You are honored guests here at St. Nicholas Cathedral and welcome at all our services. We invite you to receive the Holy Eucharist (Communion) if you are an Orthodox Christian who has prepared yourself through fasting, prayer, and confession. If you are not Orthodox, or are Orthodox but have not prepared, we respectfully invite you instead to come forward at the end of the service for a blessing by the priest and a piece of blessed bread (antidoron).

### **Our Mission & Vision Statements**

The **MISSION** of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral is to Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a Spirit of Unity and Love for All through Worship, Service, Education, Fellowship and Outreach.

Our **VISION** is to be a Welcoming and Growing Parish, Striving to Live the New Life in Christ according to the Teachings and Traditions of the Greek Orthodox Faith.

Watch Sunday services, which are still streaming live from St Nicholas Cathedral at [www.stnickspgh.org/](http://www.stnickspgh.org/) and click on "Live Streaming Click Here."

On-Line Giving donations are up and running on our web page [www.stnickspgh.org](http://www.stnickspgh.org) by clicking please donate button - or you may access the donation page by using <https://abundant.co/stnickspgh/give>

## **Χριστός Ανέστη! CHRIST IS RISEN!**

**TODAY'S TRISAGION SERVICE IS being chanted for the souls of the servants of God, Nicolaos Hnarakis (31 years), and departed Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope.**

**PLEASE JOIN US for coffee and fellowship in the Large Hall following services, hosted by GOYA and sponsored by Ahepa & Daughters of Penelope.**

**TODAY: Church School/Graduate Graduation and AHEPA Sunday**

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS**

- **Monday, May 22, 2023:** Golf Outing at Shannopin Country Club  
GOYA Volleyball 7:00 p.m.
- **Tuesday, May 23, 2023:** GOYA Basketball 7:00 p.m.
- **Wednesday, May 24, 2023:** Parish Council Meeting 6:30 p.m.

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*First to be chanted at the Small Entrance is the Paschal Anthem:*

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζωὴν χαρισάμενος. Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life. [GOA]

*This is followed by the Entrance Hymn for the Easter season:*

Ἐν ἐκκλησίαις εὐλογεῖτε τὸν Θεόν, Κύριον ἐκ πηγῶν Ἰσραὴλ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα. Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the fountains of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

*Next, we hear the Resurrection hymn of the Mode of the Week (Plagal First):*

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν· ὅτι ἠδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. For our salvation He was pleased to be crucified in the flesh, and to undergo death, and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection. [GOASD]

*The apolytikion for Ss. Constantine and Helen, who are remembered today, follows:*

Τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου τὸν τύπον ἐν οὐρανῷ θεασάμενος, καὶ ὡς ὁ Παῦλος τὴν κλῆσιν οὐκ ἐξ ἀνθρώπων δεξάμενος, ὁ ἐν βασιλεῦσιν, Ἀποστόλός σου Κύριε, Βασιλεύουσιν πόλιν τῇ χειρὶ σου παρέθετο ἣν περισφύζε δια παντὸς ἐν εἰρήνῃ, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

Your Apostle among the Rulers, St. Constantine, who once beheld in the sky the image of Your Cross, and who like Paul received his calling not from man, once entrusted the Ruling City into Your hand. We entreat You to restore it in peace forever, at the intercession of the Theotokos, O Lord who loves humanity. [SD]

*Next, we chant the hymn for our patron, St. Nicholas of Myra:*

The truth of things have revealed you to your flock as a rule of faith, an icon of meekness, and a teacher of temperance; for this cause you have achieved heights by humility, riches by poverty. O Father and Hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιμνῇ σου, ἡ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτίσω τῇ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά, τῇ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, Πάτερ Ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε· πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

*Finally, we hear the Kontakion proper to this season:*

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ᾗδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν. Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

**TODAY'S APOSTOLIC READING: Acts 26:1, 12-20:** In those days, King Agrippa said to Paul, "You have permission to speak for yourself." Then Paul stretched out his hand and made his defense: "I journeyed to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests. At midday, O king, I saw on the way a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, shining round me and those who journeyed with me.

And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew language, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It hurts you to kick against the goads.' And I said, 'Who are you, Lord?' And the Lord said, 'I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. But rise and stand upon your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you to serve and bear witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you, delivering you from the people and from the Gentiles - to whom I send you to open their eyes, that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.' Wherefore, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those at Damascus, then at Jerusalem and throughout all the country of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God and perform deeds worthy of their repentance." [RSV]

**TODAY'S GOSPEL READING: John 9: 1-38.** At that time, as Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. We must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age, ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become his disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe": and he worshipped him. [RSV]



## GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

### ARCHEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL

Prot. No. 111/2023

#### Archiepiscopal Encyclical on AHEPA Sunday

May 21, 2023

Unto the Most Reverend and Right Reverend Hierarchs, Pious Priests and Deacons, the Monks and Nuns, Presidents and Members of Parish Councils, Honorable Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Members of Leadership 100, the Day and Afternoon Schools, Philoptochos Societies, the Youth, Greek Orthodox Organizations, and the entirety of the Christ-named Plenitude of the Holy Archdiocese of America:

My beloved brothers and sisters in the risen Christ,

Christ is Risen!

The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America celebrates the achievements and goals of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association. Therefore, we enjoin this annual observance of AHEPA Sunday, a true cultural partner to the Church for over one hundred years. As is well known, both the Archdiocese and AHEPA were founded in 1922, and have grown up together in the American milieu working for many common purposes.

I hope that every parish across our Nation will take time to honor their local AHEPA chapter. Together, we are one Church, one *Omogeneia*, one family. AHEPA is a true partner with the national and local Church, and they are our brothers and sisters in the risen Christ.

Therefore, I encourage every parish to celebrate with all worthiness AHEPA Sunday, and to recognize the amazing work and accomplishments that the AHEPA family has wrought for our community. We bless their endeavors and wish them much success in all their undertakings, which greatly benefit the *Omogeneia* and the Church.

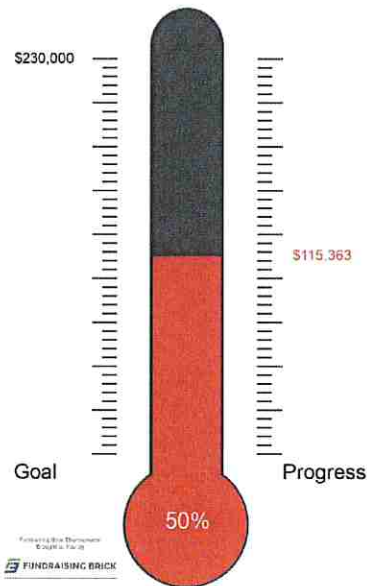
With paternal love in the risen Lord,

† ELPIDOPHOROS  
Archbishop of America

**2023 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex**  
***(Just ask a member of Parish Council)***

If you have already submitted your 2023 Stewardship Commitment, THANK YOU! If not, please take the time to make financial Stewardship Commitment today and complete the talent portion of the card to enable OUR Community to grow and carry on the mission of our faith.

***HELP US REACH/ EXCEED OUR GOAL!!***



*Giving Thanks,*  
**Eucharistic  
Stewardship**

<b>2023</b>	<b>STEWARDSHIP</b>
<b>Total Stewards</b>	<b>224 (GOAL 300)</b>
<b>Total Pledged</b>	<b>\$115,363.00</b> <b>GOAL (\$230,000.00)</b>
<b>Avg. Pledge</b>	<b>\$749.11</b>



**From the Church School Desk:**

**CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS  
RISEN!**

**Today is Church School  
Graduation!** All students present will receive their graduation certificate and an icon. Special books will be given to the Kindergarten class (The Bible for Young People) and the Graduates (The Orthodox Study Bible).

I appreciate the support from all of you and thanks for sharing your children with us every Sunday!

Yours in Christ,  
Miss Michelle

**Volunteers Needed**

**Fr. Christopher H. Bender's Retirement  
Luncheon Sunday, June 18, 2023**

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral will be honoring Fr. Christopher H. Bender on Father's Day Sunday, June 18, 2023.

We are collecting photos of Fr. Christopher and are looking for volunteers in many capacities (servers, set-up and clean-up, etc.). If you would like to donate your time or would like to just bake an item for dessert, please contact Michelle Kotsagrellos at 412-680-1416.

Please see the attached flyer for information on attending the luncheon.

Thank you, and we hope you can attend!



Please join us for a Retirement Luncheon  
Honoring

Rev. Fr. Christopher H. Bender, Dean  
Saint Nicholas Cathedral, 2012-2023



Sunday, June 18, 2023

Divine Liturgy 9:30 am

Luncheon to follow after Liturgy (approximately noon)

The Cathedral Room at St. Nicholas

419 S. Dithridge Street

Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Adults \$20

Children's meal \$10

Choice of Salmon with Red Pepper Sauce  
or Vegetarian Vegetable Stack

Mac n Cheese

R.s.v.p. by June 11, 2023

Linda Hages 412-523-7938

Michelle Kotsagrellos 412-680-1416

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Complete, return with checks payable to St. Nicholas Cathedral, 419 S. Dithridge St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Please list Attendees with Meal Choice

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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## **YOUTH SAFETY WORKERS**

Who is considered a Youth Safety Worker?

**All Clergymen (Bishops/Priests/Deacons, both Active & Retired)**

**Pastoral Assistants & Youth Directors**

**People assisting, in any ministry, where the participants are under 18 years of age or in high school, whichever is later.**

**Including Parish Youth Safety Administrators, Church School Teachers, Dance Directors, Greek School Teachers, Youth Advisors (including Chaperones & Drivers) and Parish Council.**

**Even... Parents who occasionally help-out but are alone with other people's children.**

Each Youth Safety Worker is required to register yearly with the church.

Registration is available through the church office. In addition, all Youth Safety Workers are required to take two courses (on-line training platform) annually and to complete a background check every other year.

Here is the website: Please register at <https://ncsrisk.org/goarch/>. The first course, Youth Safety, has two parts. The second course, Youth Worker Regulations, has one part. Prompt completion is necessary as one cannot participate in any youth programs without being registered, having a background check, having PA state clearances, and completing the two courses.

Those interested in becoming a Youth Safety Worker and have not started the process or need to determine what documentation you need to complete, please contact Taki Darakos, [edarakos@aol.com](mailto:edarakos@aol.com), 412-944-4961.

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## **GOYA NEWS**

**Coffee Hour Trays Needed** – Have extra glass/plastic trays laying around, please donate them to be used during coffee hour on Sundays. We need to replenish our supply. Please bring them to the church office.

**Pastitsio Sale** - GOYA is selling their annual frozen 9 by 13 pans of Pastitsio for \$35.00. For Pastitsio pickups, call the church office or contact Alea Melacrinos Mavrogeorgis via text 412-726-5940. Please identify who you are in a detailed message. Checks can be made to St. Nicholas GOYA or cash is also acceptable.

## THE MEMORIAL DAY TRISAGION SERVICES - May 29, 2023

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES:**

Divine Liturgy at Homewood Cemetery at 9:30 a.m., ending with Trisagion Service;

The second Trisagion service at Wilkinsburg Cemetery at 12 Noon.

**Please indicate at which cemetery your loved one names should be read**

First Names Only- Please Print Clearly!

*"May their memory be eternal!"*

**FIRST NAME ONLY*****CEMETERY***[illegible]

# THE 2023 PITTSBURGH SUMMER GREEK FESTIVALS GUIDE

*It's a great tradition, and it's back again in full strength and in person: 37 days of Greek Festivals in the Pittsburgh region, so plan well and you can eat Greek all summer! Post this schedule on your refrigerator and share copies with others. We look forward to seeing you!*

## LOCATION

## DATES

- ☐ St. Nicholas (Pittsburgh/Oakland) ..... May 7-13
- ☐ All Saints (Canonsburg) ..... June 5-9
- ☐ Holy Cross (Pittsburgh/Mt. Lebanon) ..... June 13-16
- ☐ Kimisis Tis Theotokou (Aliquippa) ..... June 15-17
- ☐ Holy Dormition (Oakmont) ..... June 23-25
- ☐ Holy Trinity (Ambridge) ..... July 18-22
- ☐ St. Spyridon (Monessen) ..... July 21
- ☐ Presentation of Christ/Ypapanti (East Pgh.) ..... July 27-29
- ☐ St. George (New Castle) ..... August 26-27
- ☐ Holy Trinity (Pittsburgh/North Hills) ..... August 31-September 3

SEE BELOW FOR FESTIVAL HOURS & HOST PARISH WEB SITES. CHECK FOR UPDATES.

## THE 2023 PITTSBURGH SUMMER GREEK FESTIVALS: ALL THE DETAILS

Don't cook tonight...go Greek! Please pass copies on to your friends! Greek food is always enjoyed best with good company!

Parish	Dates	Address	Phone	Website	Hours
Saint Nicholas	May 7-13	419 S. Dithridge Street Pittsburgh (Oakland)	412-682-3866	<a href="http://www.StNicksPgh.org">www.StNicksPgh.org</a>	Sun: 12p-8p; Mon-Thu: 11a-8p; Fri: 11a-9p, Sat: 1p-9p
All Saints	June 5-9	601 West McMurray Road Canonsburg	724-745-5205	<a href="http://www.AllSaintsCbg.org">www.AllSaintsCbg.org</a>	Mon-Fri: 11a-9p
Holy Cross	June 13-16	123 Gilkeson Road Pittsburgh (Mt. Lebanon)	412-833-3355	<a href="http://www.HolyCrossPgh.org">www.HolyCrossPgh.org</a>	Tue-Thu: 11a-8p Fri: 11a-9p
Kimisis Tis Theotokou	June 15-17	2111 Davidson Street Aliquippa	724-375-5341	<a href="http://www.Theotokou.org">www.Theotokou.org</a>	Thu-Sat: 11a-8p
Holy Dormition	June 23-25	12 Washington Avenue Oakmont	412-828-4144	<a href="http://www.DormitionPgh.org">www.DormitionPgh.org</a>	Fri-Sun: 12p-11p Dinner until 9pm
Holy Trinity (Ambridge)	July 18-22	2930 Beaver Road Ambridge	724-266-5336	<a href="http://www.htgoc.org">www.htgoc.org</a>	Tue-Sat: 11a-10p
Saint Spyridon	July 21	1207 Grand Boulevard Monessen	724-684-5411	<a href="http://stspyridon.pa.goarch.org">stspyridon.pa.goarch.org</a>	Fri: 11a-9p
Ypapanti (Presentation of Christ)	July 27-29	1672 Electric Avenue East Pittsburgh	412-824-9188	<a href="http://www.ypapanti.net">www.ypapanti.net</a>	Thu-Sat: 11a-9p
Saint George	August 26-27	315 W. Englewood Avenue New Castle	724-654-8521	<a href="http://www.stgeorgenewcastle.org">www.stgeorgenewcastle.org</a>	Sat-Sun: 11a-7p
Holy Trinity (Pittsburgh)	August 31- September 3	985 Providence Boulevard Pittsburgh (across from Passavant Hospital)	412-366-8700	<a href="http://www.HolyTrinityPgh.org">www.HolyTrinityPgh.org</a>	Thu-Sun: 11a-9p

Thank you for enjoying our great Greek food and visiting our churches. Want to also help these communities feed, minister to and provide health care for the hungry and needy of the Hill District and the Pittsburgh area? Support the Neighbor Resilience Project by visiting [neighborhoodresilience.org](http://neighborhoodresilience.org), a philanthropic ministry united in faith and joined by a desire to provide action-oriented and sustainable solutions for poverty-and-trauma-affected communities in the Pittsburgh area.

This free guide is provided as a public service of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church (Pittsburgh). Online at [HolyTrinityPgh.org/pittsburgh-greek-festivals-guide](http://HolyTrinityPgh.org/pittsburgh-greek-festivals-guide).

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



PITTSBURGH

*A* PROCLAMATION

## ***Greek Independence Day Celebrating Greek-American Connections***

*Saturday, March Twenty-Fifth, Two Thousand & Twenty-Three*

**WHEREAS**, Democracy was born out of the ancient Greek civilization and has long met the needs and aspirations of freedom-loving nations around the world; and

**WHEREAS**, The Greek War of Independence started on March 25, 1821, in search of Democracy, freedom, and justice, which created an unparalleled wave of "Philhellenes" (friends of the Hellenes) among Americans of all walks of life which continue to this day; and

**WHEREAS**, The Office of Mayor Ed Gainey joined the American-Greek community in honoring James Williams, a formerly enslaved Black person from Baltimore, who became a Philhellene; and

**WHEREAS**, Many Philhellenes later contributed to the American abolitionist movement; and

**WHEREAS**, The democratic spirit of Greeks compelled them to overtly support the social justice movements of African-Americans in defense of equality, as exemplified by the union of the Great Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Archbishop Iakovos of the Greek Orthodox Church in March of 1965; and

**WHEREAS**, Americans of Greek descent in Pittsburgh have played a significant role in the educational, cultural, economic, and civic development of our City and area; and

**WHEREAS**, As we celebrate Greek Independence Day, let us renew our commitment to freedom, Democracy, and human rights, which are the core values of our society. Let us also reaffirm our solidarity with the Greek people, who are facing many challenges today, including economic hardships, refugee crises, and geopolitical tensions; and

**WHEREAS**, Greeks across the world, including those who reside in our City, are, this year, 2023, celebrating the 202nd Anniversary of their ancestors' struggle for freedom and liberty; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ed Gainey, Mayor of Pittsburgh, do hereby proclaim Saturday, March 25, 2023, as Greek Independence Day in the City of Pittsburgh and call upon all the people of Pittsburgh to observe this with appropriate ceremonies and activities.**



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Pittsburgh at the City County Building in the First Ward of the City of Pittsburgh 414 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, PA. 15219 on this Twenty-Fifth day of March in the year Two Thousand & Twenty-Three

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ed Gainey".

**Ed Gainey**  
MAYOR OF PITTSBURGH

PHILOTOCHOS PRESENTS AN OFFICIAL HOLY TRINITY CENTENNIAL EVENT

10 YEARS

HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH 1923-CENTENNIAL-2023

HOLY TRINITY PHILOPTOCHOS PRESENTS

# A TRADITIONAL GREEK DANCE!

FEATURING LIVE GREEK MUSIC BY

# PANIGIRI

**SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023 7:00-11:00PM**

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH - 985 PROVIDENCE BLVD. - PGH 15237**

**Casual  
Dress!**

**Adult Tickets: \$25**

**Includes Hot & Cold Appetizer Platter**

**Children 12 & Under Tickets: \$15**

**Includes Child's Platter**

**All tickets include desserts & coffee.**

**Cash Bar. Open Seating.**

**For tickets, contact  
Marianne Stearns  
412-600-2159**

**Advance sales only.  
Deadline: May 21  
No tickets at door**





# *Dinner with Wine Pairings*

Net proceeds to benefit IOCC's relief efforts in the West Bank and Gaza

Sunday, June 4, 2023 • 5:30 ~ 7:30 p.m.

Khalil's Restaurant  
4757 Baum Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15213

*Come enjoy a traditional Middle Eastern feast with four wine pairings.  
The main Entrée will be Lamb Shank, please call if a substitution is needed.*

**Tickets: \$100 per person**

Seating is limited • RSVP by May 27 to reserve your space!

Tickets & Sponsorships at:

**[iocc.org/pittsburgh](https://iocc.org/pittsburgh)**

Questions? Contact Zelfa at [zkhalil1@live.com](mailto:zkhalil1@live.com) or 412.417.4706

**Volunteer servers needed. Please contact Zelfa.**

*The fair-market value (FMV) for each ticket is \$40. Only the portion of the payment that exceeds the FMV is deductible as a charitable contribution.*



# *Celebrating* FATHER'S DAY

St. Nicholas Philoptochos believes in honoring the men in our lives. Honor your husband, father, grandfather, godfather, brother, uncle or a special friend with a gift to Philoptochos. Your donation will enable us to continue our work of charitable giving to individuals and families in need, area food banks, shelters for the homeless, social service agencies and countless research efforts in the battle against cancer and other catastrophic diseases.

Join us this Father's Day by honoring someone you love with a gift to Philoptochos.

*Make checks payable and send to: St. Nicholas Philoptochos, 419 S. Dithridge St. Pittsburgh, PA 15213, Memo: Father's Day*

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NAMES FOR INCLUSION IN BULLETIN – SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023**

Enclosed is my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(minimum gift of \$5.00 per name please — all donations are tax deductible)

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Honorees will receive a special Father's Day acknowledgement card.

The amount of your gift will not be disclosed.

☐ Please accept this gift in **honor** of:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Please accept this gift in **memory** of:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

*List any additional names and addresses on the back of this flyer and indicate whether donation is in Honor or in Memory.  
Please print clearly.*



# **ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL 2023 GOLF OUTING**

**Registration/Lunch Buffet 11:00**

**Shotgun Start 12:30**

**Cocktails 5:30**

**Dinner/Auction/Prizes 6:00**

Golf Foursome \$750 Individual \$200

Tee and Prize sponsorships available

***Monday, May 22, 2023  
Shannopin Country Club***

**For Reservations and Sponsorships  
412-421-0294/Bellios216@gmail.com**

# **JOIN CHAPTER ICAROS FOR THE 46<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND MINI CONVENTION DANCE!**

**Sunday, May 28, 2023 ~ 9:00pm-2:00am**

Dormition of the Theotokos Greek Orthodox Church Hall, 12 Washington Ave., Oakmont, PA 15139

**Adults: \$25.00    Children (12 and under): \$5.00**

Cash Bar ♦ Mezethes ♦ Chinese Raffle

**Live Music with Ta Filarakia, featuring Victoria Mavrogeorgis on Violi!**

Contact: Michelle Kotsagrellos at 412-680-1416 or mmk8317@hotmail.com

## **JOIN CHAPTER ICAROS FOR THE 21<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL STEVE MANNERS ICARIAN OPEN**



Steve Manners and Mike Aivaliotis

**Saturday, May 27, 2023**

**Meadowink Golf Course**

**4076 Bulltown Road, Murrysville, PA 15668**

*Don't be left out! Get a foursome together...  
We will make foursomes as best we can for the rest.*

**PRICE:** \$115.00 includes green fees, cart, snack at the turn, beer, and steak dinner

**AGENDA:** 12:00pm – Registration  
1:00pm – Shotgun Start  
6:00pm – Steak Dinner

**CONTACT:** Anna Aivaliotis at 412-310-7290 or annaca@pitt.edu

**Dress Code:** collared shirts; no cut-offs. **Reminder:** PA LCB does not allow you to bring your own beer.

**PITTSBURGH CHAPTER ICAROS 7**  
**2023 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND MINI CONVENTION**



**AD BOOK FORM**

The undersigned agrees to purchase space in the 2023 Mini Convention Ad Book

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRINT YOUR ADVERTISEMENT IN THE SPACE BELOW (OR ATTACH):**

**PLEASE CHECK AMOUNT OF AD BOOK REQUEST:**      Full Page \$60.00 ☐      Half Page \$30.00 ☐

The Ad Book will be distributed at the Mini Convention Dance on 5/28/23 at the Dormition of The Holy Theotokos Church, Oakmont, PA

**STEVE MANNERS ICARIAN OPEN ● \$100 HOLE SPONSORSHIP**  
**Meadowink Golf Course, Murrysville, PA ~ Saturday, May 27, 2023**

The undersigned agrees to sponsor a hole at the 2023 Steve Manners Icarian Open at a cost of \$100.00

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME/BUSINESS (LOGO) TO BE PRINTED ON SIGN:**

**Email camera ready ad to [annaca@pitt.edu](mailto:annaca@pitt.edu)**

**DEADLINE MAY 12, 2023**

Mail form and check (payable to Chapter Icaros 7) to:  
Anna Aivaliotis, 6303 Hallwood Road, Verona, PA 15147  
Telephone: 412-793-8384

Cathedral Restoration Project

Donation and Pledge Form

Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Pledged \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Options

Paid in Full \_\_\_\_\_

Initial Payment \_\_\_\_\_ Your plan for additional payments \_\_\_\_\_

Donations can be by check or made on-line with credit card. From the St. Nicholas web site, [www.stnickspgh.org](http://www.stnickspgh.org), go to the "Giving" tab and click the "Donate" pull-down. This will transfer you to the on-line giving form. Select Ceiling Fund on the Fund pull down menu.

A construction board with signatures of all donors will be installed as part of the new ceiling. All donor family members can sign it. The board will be available at the church from mid-November through the end of December.

Engraved commemorative pavers are also available at the sizes below. These pavers will be added to the granite circle in our green space. Please indicate if you are interested in a paver and you will be provided with additional information.

\_\_\_\_ 8" x 4" Paver at \$1,250

\_\_\_\_ 8" x 8" Paver at \$2,500

\_\_\_\_ 12" x 12" Granite at \$5,000 (pieces that make up the center cross)

\_\_\_\_ 42" x 15" Exterior Granite Ring at \$25,000 (pieces on either side of the Bible verse)

# May/June 2023

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
21 <b>Sunday of Man Born Blind</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  Church School & Graduate Sunday	22 <b>ST. NICHOLAS GOLF OUTING</b> AT SHANNOPIN COUNTRY CLUB 11:00 a.m.  <b>GOYA Volleyball</b> 7:00 p.m.	23 <b>Open Gym</b> 7:00 p.m.	24 <b>Parish Council Meeting</b> 6:30 p.m.	25 <b>HOLY ASCENSION</b> Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	26	27
28 <b>Fathers of 1<sup>st</sup> Ecumenical Council</b>  Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	29 <b>Church Office Closed for MEMORIAL DAY</b>  <b>Divine Liturgy / Trisagion At Homewood Cemetery 9:30 a.m.</b>  <b>Trisagion At Wilkinsburg Cemetery 12:00 noon</b>	30 <b>Open Gym</b> 7:00 p.m.	31	1 <b>JUNE</b>	2	3 <b>Ψυχασάββατο Saturday of the Souls</b> Orthros 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10 a.m.
4 <b>HOLY PENTECOST</b>  Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Pentecost Vespers follow	5 <b>Monday of the Holy Spirit</b>  Orthros 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10 a.m.	6 <b>Open Gym</b> 7:00 p.m.	7	8	9	10
11 <b>ALL SAINTS SUNDAY</b>  Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	12 <b>APOSTLES FAST BEGINS</b>	13 <b>Open Gym</b> 7:00 p.m.	14	15	16	17
18 <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Matthew</b>  Orthros 8:15 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.  <b>Father's Day Luncheon &amp; Farewell to Fr. Christopher Bender 12 Noon</b>	19 <b>Parish Council Meeting</b>  7:00 p.m.	20 <b>Open Gym</b> 7:00 p.m.	21	22	23	24
25 <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Matthew</b> Orthros 8:15 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.	26 <b>FR BENDER AWAY</b>	27 <b>Open Gym</b> 7:00 p.m.	28	29 <b>APOSTLES FAST ENDS</b>	30	

FR. BENDER AWAY 6/23 – 6/27