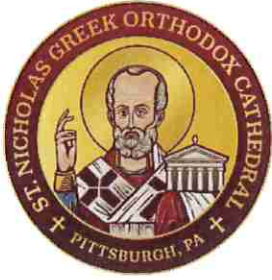


**SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

*Saint of the Day: Our Devout Mother Mary of Egypt*

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**WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!**

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

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***Our Sunday worship schedule: September – May: 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 is prepared 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 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 <https://stnickspgh.org> by clicking the Giving tab and select donate. or you may access the donation page by visiting <https://abundant.co/stnickspgh/give>

### TODAY:

- ❖ Trisagion Service for Demosthenes Andreou (12 years).
- ❖ Coffee hour is hosted today by GOYA in the Small Hall.
- ❖ "SOUPER SUNDAY" sponsored by Philoptochos.
- ❖ WEEKEND OF SERVICE

### THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS:

- Monday, April 22, 2024: YAL Basketball 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 23, 2024: Adult Greek Classes 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 24, 2024: YAL Volleyball; Food Festival Diples 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Thursday, April 25, 2024: Philoptochos Easter Bread Baking
- Saturday, April 27, 2024: Lazarus Saturday Orthros 9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  
Youth Retreat and Palm Making 12:00 noon.

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## TODAY'S HYMNS AND READINGS

*The Resurrection Hymn of the week in plagal first mode is chanted twice for the Small Entrance:*

**Τ**ὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν· ὅτι ἠδύοκησε σαρκί, ἀνελεθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομῆναι, καὶ ἐγειραὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

**A**s 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.

*At the Small Entrance, the usual Entrance Hymn is chanted.*

*Following the Small Entrance, the Resurrection Hymn of the week in plagal first mode is repeated (see above).*

*After this, the Hymn for the Saint of the day (St. Mary of Egypt) in plagal fourth mode is chanted:*

**Ἐ**ν σοὶ Μῆτερ ἀκριβῶς διεσώθη τὸ κατ' εἰκόνα· λαβοῦσα γὰρ τὸν σταυρόν, ἠκολούθησας τῷ Χριστῷ, καὶ πράττουσα ἐδίδασκες ὑπερορᾶν μὲν σαρκὸς παρέρχεται γὰρ, ἐπιμελεῖσθαι δὲ ψυχῆς, πράγματος ἀθανάτου· διὸ καὶ μετὰ Ἀγγέλων συναγάλλεται Ὅσια Μαρία τὸ πνεῦμά σου.

**I**n you, O Mother, is preserved undistorted what was made in the image of God; for taking up the cross, you followed Christ and by example taught, that we should overlook the flesh, since it passes away, and instead look after the soul, since it is immortal. And therefore, O devout Mary, your spirit rejoices with the angels.



*We then chant the Apolytikion hymn for our patron, St. Nicholas, in fourth mode:*

**Κ**ανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιμνῇ σου, ἢ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτήσω τῇ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά, τῇ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, Πάτερ ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε· πρόσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

**T**he 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 the heights by humility, riches by poverty. O Father and Hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

*Finally, we chant the usual Kontakion, in second mode:*

**Π**ροστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἰκεσίαν, ἢ προσπατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

**O** Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

### **Today's Epistle Reading (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent):**

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews (9:11-14)

**Α**δελφοί, Χριστὸς παραγενόμενος ἀρχιερεὺς τῶν μελλόντων ἀγαθῶν διὰ τῆς μείζονος καὶ τελειότερας σκηνῆς, οὐ χειροποιήτου, τοῦτ' ἔστιν οὐ ταύτης τῆς κτίσεως, οὐδὲ δι' αἵματος τράγων καὶ μόσχων, διὰ δὲ τοῦ ἰδίου αἵματος εἰσηλθεν ἐφάπαξ εἰς τὰ Ἅγια, αἰωνίαν λύτρωσιν εὐράμενος. εἰ γὰρ τὸ αἶμα ταύρων καὶ τράγων καὶ σποδὸς δαμάλεως ῥαντίζουσα τοὺς κεκοινωμένους ἀγιάζει πρὸς τὴν τῆς σαρκὸς καθαρότητα, πόσω μᾶλλον τὸ αἶμα τοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὃς διὰ Πνεύματος αἰωνίου ἑαυτὸν προσήνεγκεν ἁμωμον τῷ Θεῷ, καθαριεῖ τὴν συνείδησιν ὑμῶν ἀπὸ νεκρῶν ἔργων εἰς τὸ λατρεῖν Θεῷ ζώντι;

**B**rethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God. [RSV]

### **Today's Gospel Reading (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent):**

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (10:32-45)

**Τ**ῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, παραλαβὼν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τοὺς δώδεκα μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ ἤρξατο αὐτοῖς λέγειν τὰ μέλλοντα αὐτῷ συμβαίνειν, ὅτι ἰδοὺ ἀναβαίνομεν εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδοθήσεται τοῖς ἀρχιερεῦσι καὶ γραμματεῦσι, καὶ κατακρινούσιν αὐτὸν θανάτῳ καὶ παραδώσουσιν αὐτὸν τοῖς ἔθνεσι, καὶ ἐμπαίξουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ μαστιγώσουσιν αὐτὸν καὶ ἐμπτύσουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν αὐτόν, καὶ τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἀναστήσεται. Καὶ προσπορεύονται αὐτῷ Ἰάκωβος καὶ Ἰωάννης υἱοὶ Ζεβεδαίου λέγοντες· διδάσκαλε, θέλομεν ἵνα ὁ ἕνα ἀιτήσωμεν ποιήσης ἡμῖν. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τί θέλετε ποιῆσαι με ὑμῖν; οἱ δὲ εἶπον αὐτῷ· δὸς ἡμῖν ἵνα εἷς ἐκ δεξιῶν σου καὶ εἷς ἐξ ἐωνύμων σου καθίσωμεν ἐν τῇ δόξῃ σου. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· οὐκ οἴδατε τί αἰτεῖσθε. δύνασθε πιεῖν τὸ ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πίνω, καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθῆναι; οἱ δὲ εἶπον αὐτῷ· δυνάμεθα. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τὸ μὲν ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πίνω πίεσθε, καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθήσεσθε· τὸ δὲ καθίσαι ἐκ δεξιῶν μου καὶ ἐξ ἐωνύμων οὐκ ἔστιν ἐμὸν δοῦναι, ἀλλ' οἷς ἠτοίμασται. Καὶ ἀκούσαντες οἱ δέκα ἤρξαντο ἀγανακτεῖν περὶ Ἰακώβου καὶ Ἰωάννου. ὁ δὲ

Ἰησοῦς προσκαλεσάμενος αὐτοὺς λέγει αὐτοῖς· οἴδατε ὅτι οἱ δοκοῦντες ἄρχειν τῶν ἐθνῶν κατακυριεύουσιν αὐτῶν καὶ οἱ μεγάλοι αὐτῶν κατεξουσιάζουσιν αὐτῶν· οὐχ οὕτω δὲ ἔσται ἐν ὑμῖν, ἀλλ' ὅς ἐάν θέλη γενέσθαι μέγας ἐν ὑμῖν, ἔσται ὑμῶν διάκονος, καὶ ὅς ἐάν θέλη ὑμῶν γενέσθαι πρῶτος, ἔσται πάντων δοῦλος· καὶ γὰρ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου οὐκ ἦλθε διακονηθῆναι, ἀλλὰ διακονῆσαι, καὶ δοῦναι τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ λύτρον ἀντὶ πολλῶν.

At that time, Jesus took his twelve disciples, and he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." [RSV]

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*The hymn of the Theotokos for the Liturgy of St. Basil is chanted (Instead of "It is truly right..."):*

Ἐπὶ σοὶ χαίρει, Κεχαριτωμένη, πᾶσα ἡ κτίσις, Ἀγγέλων τὸ σύστημα, καὶ ἀνθρώπων τὸ γένος, ἡγιασμένε ναέ, καὶ Παράδεισε λογικέ, παρθενικὸν καύχημα· ἐξ ἧς Θεὸς ἐσαρκώθη, καὶ παιδίον γέγονεν, ὁ πρὸ αἰῶνων ὑπάρχων Θεὸς ἡμῶν. Τὴν γὰρ σὴν μήτραν, θρόνον ἐποίησε, καὶ τὴν σὴν γαστέρα, πλατυτέραν οὐρανῶν ἀπειργάσατο. Ἐπὶ σοὶ χαίρει, Κεχαριτωμένη, πᾶσα ἡ κτίσις· δόξα σοι.

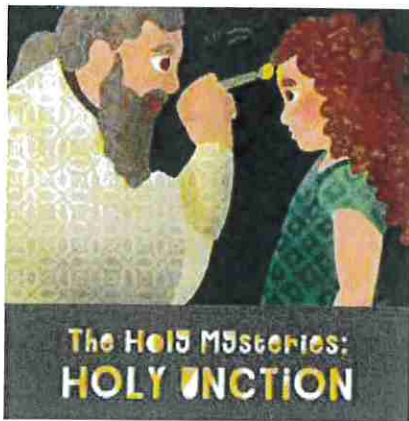
In you, O Lady full of grace, all creation rejoices, the hosts of Angels and the human race. O consecrated temple and allegorical Paradise, virgins boast of you. For God became incarnate from you, yes, our eternally existing God became a child from you. He made a throne of your womb, and He made your body wider than the heavens. In you, O Lady full of grace, all creation rejoices. Glory to you!

# CALL FOR READERS!

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Readers are needed for Services as we celebrate Holy Week and Pascha. There are services each night and the opportunity to read at the Services is open to all. Our parish needs special commitments from readers to participate at the services below.

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## **Holy Wednesday**

### **Service of Holy Unction**

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

at 3:00 p.m.

The seven (7) Epistle Readings at the Holy Unction Service are read in English. If you or someone you know is interested in offering one of these readings, please contact Michelle Kotsagrellos.



## **Great & Holy Pascha**

### **Agape Vespers**

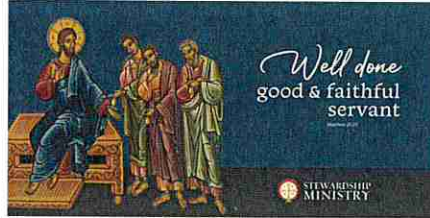
Sunday, May 5, 2024

at 11:00 a.m.

During this brief service, the Gospel is proclaimed in as many languages as possible. If you or someone you know can read in any foreign language, please contact Michelle Kotsagrellos or Fr. Eleftherios to sign up.

## 2024 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex

*(Just ask a member of Parish Council)*



Visit our website to fill out a Stewardship Card for 2024 or to make a donation

<https://stnickspgh>.



<u>2024</u>	<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>
Total Stewards	212 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$ 122,426.00 GOAL (\$235,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$832.83

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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.

**Dance Group Costumes**  
**Donations Needed**

The St. Nicholas Dancers (7th grade and up) are in need of additional costumes and replacement pieces. Our current costumes date back to 2013 and our needs have grown. We have contacted the costume manufacturer in Greece and will be placing an order soon. Our festival is quickly approaching, and we find ourselves in need. The current cost of a girl's costume is \$310, and a boy's costume is \$180.

We are currently collecting donations toward this project. Thank you to those who have already donated. **Please make checks payable to St. Nicholas Cathedral with St. Nicholas Dancers in the memo line. If you are mailing your check to the church, please write Attn: St. Nicholas Dancers on the envelope.**

For further information, please contact Linda Hages: 412-523-7938.



**From the Church School Desk!**

**Upcoming dates to remember:**

Youth Retreat, Communion Breakfast and  
Palm Making

Saturday, April 27, 2024  
(Following the Divine Liturgy)

Easter Egg Hunt  
Sunday, May 5, 2024  
(Following the Agape Service)

Church School Graduation  
Sunday, May 19, 2024

Yours in Christ  
*Miss Michelle*



**GOYA Technical Support**



During coffee hour, people may bring laptops, Cell phones, tablets etc. !

Some would like to complete an assignment, finish up a work slide, watch a cooking video, and more!

Stop by the goya table during coffee hour with any electronic you are having difficulties with and have a goyan help you out!

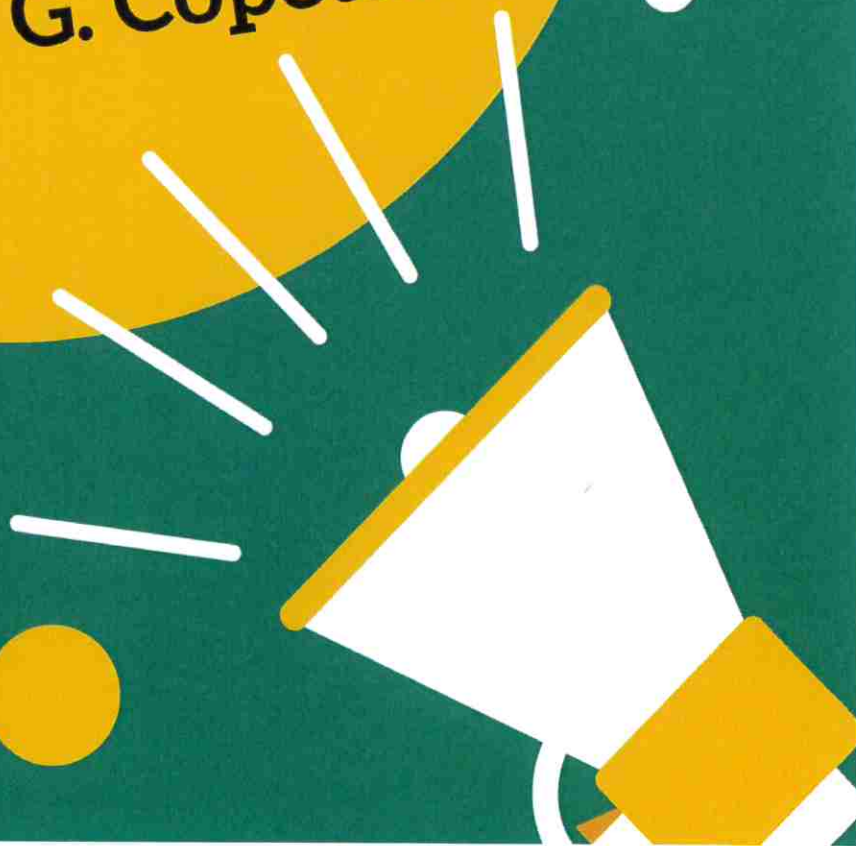
***BIG NEWS!***

**2024 St. Photios Awardees**

**Vasili G. Copetas**

**&**

**Eleni G. Copetas**





## St. John Chrysostom Bookstore

Now featuring books, cards, and gifts for Great Lent, Pascha, and Mother's Day.



Available Now  
Holy Bread Bags  
Beautifully embroidered  
cotton bags for transporting  
or storing antidoro.



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**THE GAPA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE IN THE  
NARTHEX FOR GRADUATING SENIORS.**

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### **Camp Fundraiser:**

The spaghetti luncheon was a success!! I want to thank everyone for their support by participating in the luncheon and/or offering donations throughout the year. We have a little over \$5600 raised for this fundraising year and are able to provide \$250 discount to each of our St. Nicholas children attending camp Nazareth.

THANK YOU to our special cooks Yianni Frentzos and Vasili Copetas. Thank you goyans for your help serving and to everyone who helped bring this event together; Lisa Kristian, Carrie Velisaris, Pam Bertos, and Keli Frentzos

*We are still accepting donations. Checks payable to St. Nicholas Cathedral (memo area: "camp fund").*

# Food Festival Preparations

Mark 12 of our 13 items complete! We're reaching the finish line with only ONE more item left! Thank you very much to those of you who came yesterday to help with Pasta Flora. Thank you very much, Marcie McGuire, for chairing. Thank you very much to all who have helped us reach this point in our food festival journey. Your support is undeniably appreciated!

Our LAST preparation is DIPLES mid-week this coming Wednesday, April 24, 9:00am to 4:00pm. All hands on deck. Believe it or not, no experience is needed. Training is on site. Come see how we're using pasta makers. We might be the only church in the area that is still making their own Diples!

Diples	Wednesday, April 24, 9:00 – 4:00pm
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## Food Festival Dates Sunday, May 12 – Saturday, May 18, 2024

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### AHEPA NEWS

AHEPA Day has been organized for May 19, 2024 this year. We Ahepans and Daughters of Penelope will attend church on Sunday May 19, 2024 to show appreciation for those past members.

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### **“Souper Sunday”**

**APRIL 21**

**Quart of lenten soup**

**\$10**

Sponsored by:  
St. Nicholas Philoptochos





# Easter Bread

ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL PHILOPTOCHOS IS TAKING ORDERS  
FOR OUR DELICIOUS GREEK EASTER BREAD.

**\$12 per loaf**

ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY SUNDAY, APRIL 21

BREAD WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP ON SUNDAY, APRIL 28

----- ORDER FORM -----

Complete the order form below and mail along WITH A CHECK made payable to:  
*St. Nicholas Philoptochos Easter Bread, St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 419 S. Dittrich St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Loaves \_\_\_\_\_

with Sesame Seeds

without Sesame Seeds

ORDERS CAN BE PLACED BY CALLING (412) 682-3866 OR BY FAX: (412) 683-4960

*Thank you for your support.*

*All Proceeds Benefit the Ongoing Charitable Activities of our Philoptochos.*



**ATTENTION:**  
**ALL CHURCH SCHOOL STUDENTS**  
**Youth Retreat**  
**COMMUNION BREAKFAST & PALM MAKING**

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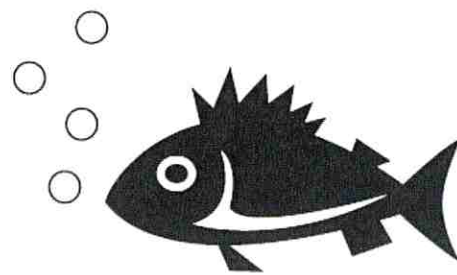
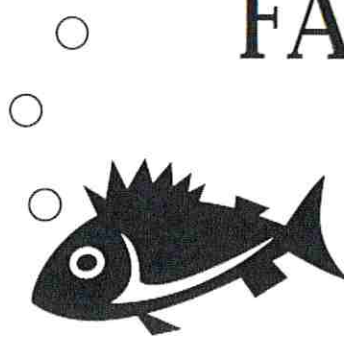
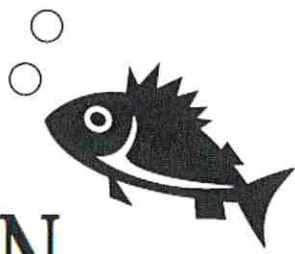


**SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024**  
**(Following the Divine Liturgy in the Small Hall)**

Please join Philoptochos  
on Sunday, April 28  
for our

# PALM SUNDAY FAMILY LUNCHEON

(Immediately after church services)



**\$20 adults • \$10 children (12 and under)**

**Reservations Required. Deadline Monday, April 22**

*For reservations call or text Michelle Kotsagrelis (412-680-1416) OR  
fill out the reservation form below and mail it along with a check made payable to St. Nicholas Philoptochos.*



Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Reservations:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults x \$20 = \_\_\_\_\_      \_\_\_\_\_ Children x \$10 = \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Good Friday Luminary Memorials



Remember your loved ones with Luminaries  
on Good Friday, May 3, 2024.

To include your loved one,  
please fill out the form below.

Luminaries will have names included on the bags and  
will be displayed on the steps of the church on  
Good Friday Evening, as we walk with the  
“Epitaphio” around the church.  
Names will also be published.

Please fill out the form below and give to one of the Parish Council mem-  
bers or mail to the Parish Office. Donations of \$10.00 per Luminary to be  
paid to St. Nicholas Cathedral by Monday, April 29th.

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*Names to be commemorated:*

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Please join us for our annual

# Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, May 5, 2024

Following the Agape Service

If you wish to help,

please bring one dozen pre-filled plastic eggs on Sunday

and drop them off in the Narthex before Church.

**ALL PARISHIONERS** are welcome to join the fun for coffee, juice, and donuts after the service!

**Questions: Call Michelle Kotsagrellos (412) 680-1416**





*Celebrating*  
**MOTHER'S DAY**

St. Nicholas Philoptochos believes in honoring the women in our lives. Honor your wife, mother, grandmother, godmother, sister, aunt or 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 Mother'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: Mother's Day*  
**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NAMES FOR INCLUSION IN BULLETIN – WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024**

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 Mother's Day acknowledgement card.  
The amount of your gift will not be disclosed.

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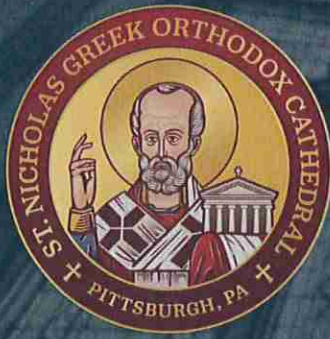


Please join Philoptochos for a Paschal meal  
as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord

**Following Anastasi Services  
The Cathedral Room**

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# Holy Week 2024

JOIN US THIS HOLY WEEK AS WE JOURNEY TO PASCHA

Saturday of Lazarus	Palm Sunday	Holy Monday	Holy Tuesday	Holy Wednesday
April 27	April 28	April 29	April 30	May 1
<b>Orthros</b> 9:00 a.m. <b>Divine Liturgy</b> 10:00 a.m.  <i>Youth Retreat and Palm Folding</i>	<b>Orthros</b> 8:45 a.m. <b>Divine Liturgy</b> 10:00 a.m.  <b>Bridegroom Service</b> 6:30 p.m.	<b>Bridegroom Service</b> 6:30 p.m.	<b>Bridegroom Service</b> (Hymn of Kassiani) 6:30 p.m.	<b>Holy Unction</b> 3:00 p.m.  <b>Bridegroom Service</b> 6:30 p.m.  <i>(Holy Unction offered at end of service)</i>

Holy Thursday	Holy Friday	Holy Saturday	PASCHA
May 2	May 3	May 4	May 5
<b>Vesperal Liturgy</b> 9:30 a.m.  <b>Service of the 12 Gospels</b> 6:00 p.m.	<b>Royal Hours</b> 9:00 a.m.  <b>Apokathelosis</b> 3:00 p.m.  <b>Lamentations</b> 6:30 p.m.	<b>Vesperal Liturgy</b> 9:30 a.m.  <b>Midnight Office (Pannychis)</b> 11:00 p.m. <b>Service of the Resurrection</b> 11:45 p.m.	<b>Agape Vespers</b> 11:00 a.m.

# THE 2024 PITTSBURGH SUMMER GREEK FESTIVALS GUIDE

*It's a great tradition, and it's here again: 35 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 12-18
- All Saints (Canonsburg) ..... June 3-7
- Holy Cross (Pittsburgh/Mt. Lebanon) ..... June 11-14
- Kimisis Tis Theotokou (Aliquippa) ..... June 13-15
- Holy Dormition (Oakmont) ..... June 28-30
- St. Spyridon (Monessen) .....July 12
- Holy Trinity (Ambridge) .....July 16-20
- Presentation of Christ/Ypapanti (East Pgh.) .....July 18-20
- Holy Trinity (Pittsburgh/North Hills) ..... August 29-September 1

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

## THE 2024 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 12-18	419 S. Dithridge Street Pittsburgh (Oakland)	412-682-3866	<a href="http://www.StNicksPgh.org">www.StNicksPgh.org</a>	Sun: 12p-8p; Mon-Fri: 11a-9p; Sat: 1p-9p
All Saints	June 3-7	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 11-14	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 13-15	2111 Davidson Street Aliquippa	724-375-5341	<a href="http://www.Theotokou.org">www.Theotokou.org</a>	Thu-Sat: 11a-8p
Holy Dormition	June 28-30	12 Washington Avenue Oakmont	412-828-4144	<a href="http://www.DormitionPgh.org">www.DormitionPgh.org</a>	Fri-Sun: 12p-11p Dinner until 9pm
Saint Spyridon	July 12	1207 Grand Boulevard Monessen	724-684-5411	<a href="http://stspyridon.pa.goarch.org">stspyridon.pa.goarch.org</a>	Fri: 11a-9p
Holy Trinity (Ambridge)	July 16-20	2930 Beaver Road Ambridge	724-266-5336	<a href="http://www.htgoc.org">www.htgoc.org</a>	Tue-Sat: 11:30a-8:30p
Ypapanti (Presentation of Christ)	July 18-20	1672 Electric Avenue East Pittsburgh	412-824-9188	<a href="http://www.ypapanti.net">www.ypapanti.net</a>	Thu-Sat: 11a-9p
Holy Trinity (Pittsburgh)	August 29- September 1	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.

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# APRIL/MAY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
21 <b>Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  <b>WEEKEND OF SERVICE</b>	22 <b>YAL Basketball</b> 7:00 p.m.	23 <b>Adult Greek Classes</b> 6:30 p.m.	24 <b>Festival Baking – Diples (9a-4p)</b>  <b>YAL Volleyball</b> 7:00 p.m.	25 <b>Philoptochos Easter Bread Baking</b>	26	27 <b>Lazarus Saturday</b> Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  <b>Youth Retreat and Palm Making</b> 12:00 noon
28 <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  <i>Palm Sunday Luncheon</i>  <b>Bridegroom Service</b> 6:30 p.m.	29 <b>HOLY MONDAY</b>  <b>Bridegroom Service</b> 6:30 p.m.	30 <b>HOLY TUESDAY</b>  <b>Bridegroom Service</b> 6:30 p.m.	<b>MAY 1</b> <b>HOLY WEDNESDAY</b>  <b>Holy Unction</b> 3:00 p.m.  <b>“Bridegroom” Service</b> 6:30 p.m. <i>Holy Unction offered at end of service</i>	2 <b>HOLY THURSDAY</b>  <b>Vesperal Liturgy</b> 9:30 a.m.  <b>Service of the 12 Gospels</b> 6:00 p.m.	3 <b>HOLY FRIDAY</b>  <b>Royal Hours</b> 9:00 a.m.  <b>Apokathelosis</b> 3:00 p.m.  <b>Lamentations</b> 6:30 p.m.	4 <b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>  <b>Vesperal Liturgy</b> 9:30 a.m.  <b>Midnight Office of the Resurrection</b> 11:00 p.m.  <b>Service of the Resurrection</b> 11:45 p.m.
5 <b>GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA</b> Agape Vespers 11:00 a.m.	6 Feast of St. George the Victorious Great Martyr <i>Orthros &amp; Liturgy @ St. George Antiochian Cathedral</i> 10:00 a.m.	7 Adult Greek Classes 6:30 p.m.  GOYA Dance Practice 7:00 p.m.	8	9	10	11 Greek School 10:00 a.m.
12 <b>Thomas Sunday</b> Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	13	14	15	16	17	18 <i>Metropolis of Pittsburgh St. Photios Award Banquet</i>
<b>ST. NICHOLAS GREEK FOOD FESTIVAL MAY 12 – 18, 2024</b>						
19 <b>Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women</b>  Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  <b>Sunday School Graduation</b>  AHEPA Sunday	20	21 Constantine and Helen, Equal-to-the Apostles Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  Adult Greek Classes 6:30 p.m.	22	23	24	25 <i>No Greek School</i>