

SUNDAY, April 26, 2026 – Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

Saint of the Day: The Myrrhbearing Women, Joseph of Arimathea, & Nicodemus

Second Mode · Fourth Eothinon



WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!

VISIT www.stnickspgh.org for news and updates about our parish!

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Our weekly Sunday worship schedule: Orthros 8:15 a.m. & Divine Liturgy 9:30 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*).

If you cannot join us in person, you may participate in our services live at www.stnickspgh.org/ by selecting the link "Click Here for Live Streaming."

OUR MISSION

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

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

To make a donation, visit our website or scan the QR code



TODAY:

Χριστὸς Ἀνέστη! Ἀληθῶς Ἀνέστη!

CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!

- Trisagion Service for George Lykos (9 years).

Spaghetti Luncheon in the Large Hall – Fundraiser for our parish's Camp Nazareth scholarships for our youth. (If you cannot attend, kindly consider making a donation.)

THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS:

- Monday, April 27 – May 1: **FOOD FESTIVAL SET-UP**
- Tuesday, April 28: **Adult Greek Classes 6:30 pm**
- Saturday, May 2: **Greek School 10:00 am**
- Sunday, May 3: **40-day Memorial Service for Anthony Zaras**

TODAY'S HYMNS AND READINGS



<https://dcs.goarch.org/parish/>

The festal hymn of Pascha in plagal first mode is chanted thrice for the Small Entrance:

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζῶν χαρισάμενος.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

At the Small Entrance, the Festal Entrance Hymn is chanted:

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.

Following the Small Entrance, the Resurrection Hymn of the week in second mode is chanted:

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἢ ζωὴ ἢ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας, τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

When You descended unto Death, O Lord, You who are immortal Life put Hades to death, by the lightning of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the hosts of heaven sang aloud to You, “O Christ God, Giver of life, glory to You!”

After this, we chant the festal hymn (for St. Joseph of Arimathea) in second mode:

Ὁ εὐσχήμων Ἰωσήφ, ἀπὸ τοῦ ξύλου καθελὼν, τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, σινδόνι καθαρᾷ εἰλήσας καὶ ἀρώμασιν, ἐν μνήματι καινῷ κηδεύσας ἀπέθετο· ἀλλὰ τριήμερος ἀνέστης, Κύριε, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

When he took down Your immaculate Body from the Cross, the honorable Joseph wrapped it in a clean linen shroud with spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb. But on the third day You rose, O Lord, and granted to the world the great mercy.

Then we chant the festal hymn (for the Myrrh-Bearing Women) in second mode:

Ταῖς Μυροφόροις γυναιξί, παρὰ τὸ μνήμα ἐπιστάς, ὁ Ἄγγελος ἐβόα· Τὰ μύρα τοῖς θνητοῖς ὑπάρχει ἀρμόδια· Χριστὸς δὲ διαφθορᾶς ἐδείχθη ἀλλότριος· ἀλλὰ κραυγάσατε· Ἀνέστη ὁ Κύριος, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

The Angel who had come to the sepulcher said to the Myrrh-bearing women, “Ointments are appropriate for mortal men; but Christ is indeed a stranger to decay. Now go proclaim that the Lord has risen and granted to the world the great mercy.”

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

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιίμνῃ 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.

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 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 festal kontakion of Pascha in plagal fourth mode:

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστὲ 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.

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Today’s Epistle Reading (*Third Sunday, of the Myrrh-bearers*):

The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles (6:1–7)

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμέραις ἐκείναις, πληθυνόντων τῶν μαθητῶν ἐγένετο γογγυσμὸς τῶν Ἑλληνιστῶν πρὸς τοὺς Ἑβραίους, ὅτι παρεθεωροῦντο ἐν τῇ διακονίᾳ τῇ καθημερινῇ αἱ χῆραι αὐτῶν. προσκαλεσάμενοι δὲ οἱ δώδεκα τὸ πλῆθος τῶν μαθητῶν εἶπον· οὐκ ἀρεστόν ἐστιν ἡμᾶς καταλείψαντας τὸν λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ διακονεῖν τραπέζαις. ἐπισκέψασθε οὖν, ἀδελφοί, ἄνδρας ἐξ ὑμῶν μαρτυρουμένους ἑπτὰ, πλήρεις Πνεύματος Ἁγίου καὶ σοφίας, οὓς καταστήσομεν ἐπὶ τῆς χρείας ταύτης· ἡμεῖς δὲ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ διακονίᾳ τοῦ λόγου προσκαρτερήσομεν. καὶ ἤρρεσεν ὁ λόγος ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ πλήθους· καὶ ἐξελέξαντο Στέφανον, ἄνδρα πλήρη πίστεως καὶ Πνεύματος Ἁγίου, καὶ Φίλιππον καὶ Πρόχορον καὶ Νικάνορα καὶ Τίμωνα καὶ Παρμενᾶν καὶ Νικόλαον προσήλυτον Ἀντιοχέα, οὓς ἔστησαν ἐνώπιον τῶν ἀποστόλων, καὶ προσευξάμενοι ἐπέθηκαν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖρας. καὶ ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ ἤρξανε, καὶ ἐπληθύνετο ὁ ἀριθμὸς τῶν μαθητῶν ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ σφόδρα, πολὺς τε ὄχλος τῶν Ἰουδαίων ὑπήκουον τῇ πίστει.

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 Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, 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. [RSV]

Today’s Gospel Reading (*Third Sunday, of the Myrrh-bearers*):

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (15:43 – 16:8)

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ ἐλθὼν Ἰωσήφ ὁ ἀπὸ Ἀριμαθαίας, εὐσχήμων βουλευτής, ὃς καὶ αὐτὸς ἦν προσδεχόμενος τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, τολμήσας εἰσῆλθε πρὸς Πιλάτον καὶ ἠτήσατο τὸ σῶμα τοῦ Ἰησοῦ. ὁ δὲ Πιλάτος ἐθαύμασεν εἰ ἤδη τέθνηκε, καὶ προσκαλεσάμενος τὸν κεντυρίωνα ἐπηρώτησεν αὐτὸν εἰ πάλαι ἀπέθανε· καὶ γνοὺς ἀπὸ τοῦ κεντυρίωνος ἔδωρήσατο τὸ σῶμα τῷ Ἰωσήφ. καὶ ἀγοράσας σινδόνα καὶ καθελὼν αὐτὸν ἐνείλησε τῇ σινδόνι καὶ κατέθηκεν αὐτὸν ἐν μνημείῳ, ὃ ἦν λελατομημένον ἐκ πέτρας, καὶ προσεκύλισε λίθον ἐπὶ τὴν θύραν τοῦ μνημείου. ἡ δὲ Μαρία ἡ

Μαγδαληνή καὶ Μαρία Ἰωσῆ ἐθεώρουν ποῦ τίθεται. Καὶ διαγενομένου τοῦ σαββάτου Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνή καὶ Μαρία ἡ τοῦ Ἰακώβου καὶ Σαλώμη ἠγόρασαν ἀρώματα ἵνα ἐλθοῦσαι ἀλείψωσιν αὐτόν. καὶ λίαν πρωΐ τῆς μιᾶς σαββάτων ἔρχονται ἐπὶ τὸ μνημεῖον, ἀνατείλαντος τοῦ ἡλίου. καὶ ἔλεγον πρὸς ἑαυτάς· τίς ἀποκυλίσει ἡμῖν τὸν λίθον ἐκ τῆς θύρας τοῦ μνημείου; καὶ ἀναβλέψασαι θεωροῦσιν ὅτι ἀποκεκύνισται ὁ λίθος· ἦν γὰρ μέγας σφόδρα. καὶ εἰσελθοῦσαι εἰς τὸ μνημεῖον εἶδον νεανίσκον καθήμενον ἐν τοῖς δεξιοῖς, περιβεβλημένον στολὴν λευκὴν, καὶ ἐξεθαμβήθησαν. ὁ δὲ λέγει αὐταῖς· μὴ ἐκθαμβεῖσθε· Ἰησοῦν ζητεῖτε τὸν Ναζαρηνὸν τὸν ἐσταυρωμένον· ἠγέρθη, οὐκ ἔστιν ὧδε· ἴδε ὁ τόπος ὅπου ἔθηκαν αὐτόν. ἀλλ' ὑπάγετε εἶπατε τοῖς μαθηταῖς αὐτοῦ καὶ τῷ Πέτρῳ ὅτι προάγει ὑμᾶς εἰς τὴν Γαλιλαίαν· ἐκεῖ αὐτὸν ὄψεσθε, καθὼς εἶπεν ὑμῖν. καὶ ἐξελθοῦσαι ἔφυγον ἀπὸ τοῦ μνημείου· εἶχε δὲ αὐτὰς τρόμος καὶ ἔκστασις, καὶ οὐδενὶ οὐδὲν εἶπον· ἐφοβοῦντο γάρ.

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 Joses 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. [RSV]

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Instead of "It is truly right..." the Ninth Ode of the feast is chanted:

Ὁ Ἀγγελος ἐβόα τῇ κεχαριτωμένῃ, Ἀγνή Παρθένε, χαῖρε, καὶ πάλιν ἐρῶ, χαῖρε, ὁ σὸς Υἱὸς ἀνέστη τριήμερος ἐκ τάφου. **Φ**ωτίζου, φωτίζου ἡ νέα Ἱερουσαλήμ· ἡ γὰρ δόξα Κυρίου ἐπὶ σὲ ἀνέτειλε. Χόρευε νῦν, καὶ ἀγάλλου Σιών, σὺ δὲ ἀγνή, τέρπου Θεοτόκε, ἐν τῇ ἐγέρσει τοῦ τόκου σου..

*The Angel cried aloud to the Lady full of grace: Rejoice, O pure Virgin; and again I say Rejoice. Your Son has truly risen from the grave on the third day. **A**rise, shine! Arise, shine, O new Jerusalem! Shine! For the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. Zion, exult and be glad now. O pure Mother of God, rejoice, celebrating the resurrection of Christ your Son!*

The Festal Communion hymn of Pascha is chanted today, instead of the usual "Praise the Lord...":

Σῶμα Χριστοῦ μεταλάβετε, πηγῆς ἀθανάτου γεύσασθε.

Receive the Body of Christ; taste from the immortal fount.

Instead of "We have seen the true light..." the festal hymn of Pascha is chanted.

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν ...

Christ is risen from the dead ...

SAINTS ALIVE



April 19th

- **Thomas Sunday**
- The Holy Hieromartyr Paphnutius
- George the Confessor

April 20th

- Theodore the Trichinas
- Zacchaeus the Apostle of Caesaria

April 21st

- The Holy Hieromartyr Ianuarius and Those With Him
- Our Holy Father Maximian, Patriarch of Constantinople

April 22nd

- Theodore of Sykeon
- Nathaniel, Luke, & Clemente the Apostles

April 23rd

- George the Great Martyr and Triumphant

April 24th

- Elizabeth the Wonderworker
- Savvas the General of Rome

April 25th

- Mark the Apostle and Evangelists



From the Church School Desk:

CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!

The Church School year is winding down to a close. **Church School Graduation** on Sunday, May 17, 2026.

And thanks for sharing your children with us every Sunday.

Yours in Christ,

Miss Michelle

Give a little--Help a lot!



Spaghetti Luncheon

TODAY

Adults \$20 Children under 10 \$15

Keli 412-337-1297

Lisa 412-600-1240

Carrie 412-680-0210

Consider making a donation if you cannot attend

All proceeds go to offset costs for
St Nicholas' children to attend CAMP NAZARETH!

ST. NICHOLAS WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL OF OUR GRADUATES MAY 17th!

Please fill out this short questionnaire and submit to church office via email (church@stnickspgh.org), fax (412-683-4960) or mail (419 S. Dithridge Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213). Thank you!

Name _____

Phone: _____

Month of Graduation _____

High School: _____

Or

University/ Graduate School: _____

Degree Earned: _____

***Please email a recent photo to church@stnickspgh.org so that we can include in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Awards and Honors:

Activities:

Future Plans:



THE SAINT CONSTANTINE
SCHOOL




A LIGHT ON THE HILL SPRING GALA

Join us for an evening celebrating the **light at work** in the hearts of our students at The Saint Constantine School of Pittsburgh.

This benefit event ensures that our mission of **Education in Pursuit of Virtue, Wisdom, and Joy** remains accessible to all families who desire it.

Magical entertainment, beautiful music, a moving program, buffet dinner, cash bar, and childcare are all provided at this formal gala for adults ages 18 and older at the **Holy Trinity Center**.

Thank you for helping us to form young minds and souls.

-  **April 30, 2026**
-  **6:00 - 9:00PM**
-  **985 Providence Blvd
Pittsburgh, PA 15237**



Join us!



ST NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL
Invites you to our

GOLF OUTING FUNDRAISER

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2026

Shannopin Country Club
1 Windmere Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15202



PRICING

\$225/golfer or \$900/foursome:
includes greens fees, cart, range,
locker services, lunch and dinner,
skill prizes and golfer gift.

Dinner only, \$50/person

SCRAMBLE FORMAT

Skill prizes:
Mens/Seniors/Women
First place team prizes:
Men/Seniors/Women

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

11 AM: Registration
11-12: Sit-down lunch
12:30: Shotgun start
5-6: Cocktail reception
(cash bar)
6:00: Dinner/silent
auction/skill prizes

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Golfer Gift Sponsorship \$2500:
name on golfer gift, one
foursome, recognition
Gold \$1500: one foursome, tee
sign, recognition
Beverage Cart \$1500: one
foursome, logo on bev cart
Putting Contest Sponsor \$500
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Program Sponsor \$100: includes
dinner

For more information, please contact:
George Bellios, 412 897-5354 or St Nicholas, 412-682-3866

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To pay & register by mail,
mail this form with payment to:

St. Nicholas Cathedral
Attn. Golf Outing
419 South Dithridge
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

Make checks payable to:
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Please mark "Golf Outing"
in the memo line

Golfer name/s:

Your Cell:

Your Email:

To register and pay online,
please visit:

<http://birdsbase.com/SaintNicholasGolfOuting>



SIXTY CLUB TRIP

REMINDER

\$200.00 deposit due April 15, 2026, payable to St. Nicholas Cathedral.

Come one come all for this end of the summer special fun trip to New York City, August 18th, 19th, & 20th. The price for double occupancy is \$989 per person; single occupancy is \$1289 and triple occupancy is \$959 per person. This includes all taxes and gratuities, a Broadway show, a visit to the St. Nicholas Shrine and much more. For more information, please contact

Alice Lardas Gary
412-249-8612

FOOD FESTIVAL NEWS

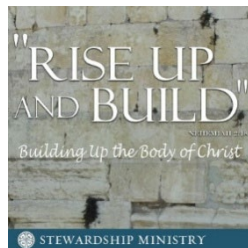
We are gearing up for our last big Hoorah tomorrow, Monday, April 27, with Diples, 9am - 4pm. Come see how it's done and lend a hand.

Our food festival is just around the corner.
Tuesday, May 5 - Sunday, May 10

Join us in making this year's Food Festival a great success.

Sign up to volunteer. You can volunteer by:

- Calling the church office
- Contacting a member of Parish Council or the Festival Committee



We build up the Body of Christ by offering
our time, talents, and treasures with love and joy.

Visit our website to fill out a Stewardship Card or to donate at www.stnickspgh.org.


<u>2026</u>	<u>STEWARDSHIP</u>
Total Stewards	117 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$101,056.00 GOAL (\$255,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$1033.91

Stewardship 2026: Thank you to our new and returning Saint Nicholas Stewards!
For those who have not filled out a card, please do so as our church depends on stewardship for ongoing ministries as well as maintaining our beautiful Cathedral.

Cards are available in the Narthex and online at <http://www.stnickspgh.org>.

KEEP KIDS SAFE

ARCHDIOCESE POLICIES




Are You a Youth Worker?


All Clergy, Altar Helpers, Sunday School or Greek School Teachers, Folk Dance Instructors, Oratorical Festival Chairs, GOVA Advisors, Basketball Coaches, Chaperones, JOY Advisors, etc! Parish Council Members too.

If so, you must register or log-in to your account each year.

youthsafetyplatform.goarch.org

Questions? Email: youthsafety@goarch.org





Note: PA Law has additional requirements. For more info, search Keep Kids Safe PA on the internet.

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Philoptochos is trying to put together a list of individuals who are willing and able to help the area college students (Pitt, CMU, Carlow, Chatham, Duquesne, RMU, CCAC, Penn State (Pittsburgh), Point Park, and LaRoche) during their stay here in Pittsburgh. A list of drivers, doctors, dentists, pharmacists, etc. is being compiled so they will have someone to call. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated. The goal is to have this list complete by the end of the year for distribution in January (next semester). For more information, contact Michelle Kotsagrelis at 412-680-1416.

Homewood Cemetery

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral Greek Section

There are currently 19 graves available for purchase.

Cost per grave:

\$2,800.00 per grave for a member of St. Nicholas.

\$3,300.00 per grave for non-member.

Contact the Church Office at 412-682-3866 for further information.

2026 Summer Camp Dates

WEEK 1 (2ND-4TH GRADE): JUNE 21ST-27TH

WEEK 2 (5TH-7TH GRADE): JUNE 28TH-JULY 4TH

WEEK 3 (7TH-9TH GRADE): JULY 5TH-JULY 11TH

WEEK 4 (10TH-12TH GRADE): JULY 12TH-JULY 18TH

CAMPERS WILL ATTEND THE WEEK OF THE GRADE LEVEL THEY ARE COMPLETING IN THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR. REGISTRATION WILL OPEN SPRING 2026. FOR MORE INFORMATION: Y2AM.PITTSBURGH.GOARCH.ORG/SUMMERCAMP



The Department of Greek Education
for the Metropolis of Pittsburgh presents

The Annual Greek Language Story Contest



Do you know of someone in your family or community
with a fascinating story to tell?

Interview and write the life story of an elderly immigrant with Greek or Cypriot roots living (either) independently or dependently, such as in a nursing home, assisted living, etc.; or interview the child or spouse of an elderly or deceased immigrant and tell their life story.

1 Tell of their life before and after coming to the U.S.

- where they traveled from and why they left
- who they traveled with and how they traveled
- who they prayed to for strength and any miracles
- how old they were when they arrived to the U.S.
- what challenges they faced
- what did they do here in the U.S.

2 Provide pictures

- of them, their family
- of places where they lived abroad, and in the U.S.
- of their favorite places and pastimes, both abroad and in the U.S.

3 Provide samples of

- their favorite Greek songs, hymns, poems, etc.

1ST PLACE - \$500
2ND PLACE - \$300
3RD PLACE - \$100

You are not limited to only the above questions, nor are all of the above imperative

Type this in Greek and in English in a Word document. Provide a copy for the person you interviewed and send a copy to:

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh Department of Greek Education,
5201 Ellsworth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15232, also email a copy with the pictures separately not in the word document to mstamoolis@verizon.net

Student interviewers are from 4th - 12th grade. Awards given to students who display thoroughness and hard work.

Deadline to register is June 4, 2026. Deadline for submission is June 11, 2026.
For Information e-mail Marla Stamoolis, mstamoolis@verizon.net.

A Message from the Church Beautification Committee

The Beautification Committee is happy to announce some new projects that we have been working on over the last months. We have consulted with artisans who specialize in marble work, woodwork, lighting and iconography and have obtained both ideas and quotes from them for updates to the nave and altar. Ideas include a marble throne for the bishop to replace the existing bishop's chair, a marble synthronon behind the altar, wood paneling, cabinets and a larger prothesis in the altar, and a preliminary design to update the iconostasis. To ensure that these ideas suitably compliment each other and harmoniously uplift the church's appearance, the committee desires to consult a designer named Andrew Gould, who specializes in designing Byzantine churches and liturgical art. Examples of his work can be found on his website, www.newworldbyzantine.com. Bringing Mr. Gould to Pittsburgh to spend a full day at St. Nicholas Cathedral, take photographs and measurements, consult with the committee and to present a report detailing his recommendations will cost \$5,400. The committee is seeking donations from anyone interested in contributing to this project.

The committee is also working on the following projects:

- Purchasing two curtains to replace the doors leading into the altar from the rear left and right. The approximate cost for both curtains is \$1,573.
- Ordering wooden chairs for visiting hierarchs. The cost of one Archbishop's chair is \$3,100 and the cost of each bishop's chair is \$2,500.
- Obtaining a new glass or plexiglass cover for the altar table.
- Buying new altar cloths.
- Ordering new icons for the narthex to replace the icons of Christ and St. Nicholas on the right and of the Theotokos and St. Markella on the left, which have all become damaged over time.

Should anyone wish to donate towards any of these items, please see any member of the committee: Alexandra Davides, Rob Day, Amy Hogg, Peter Krelis, Carol Tsudis, Tulla Velisaris, Fr. Eleftherios or Deacon Robert.

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 – SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026

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.

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Name: _____

Address: _____

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.*

CHAPTER ICAROS PRESENTS THE 49th MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND
MINI CONVENTION DANCE

SUNDAY, MAY 24, 2026
9:00PM – 2:00AM

**LIVE MUSIC WITH KONSTANTINO REVELAS & THEODORE PAPAZEKOS
WITH VICTORIA MAVROGEORGIS ON VIOLI!**

Cash Bar



Mezethes

Adult \$35, 12 & Under \$10

Adult Presale Through May 10th \$30.00

Venmo: @AnnaConsortia-Spanos

Checks Payable to: Chapter Icaros 7. Mail to: 1500 Wareman Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15226.

Contact: icarosminiconvention@gmail.com

**JOIN CHAPTER ICAROS FOR THE 24th ANNUAL
STEVE MANNERS ICARIAN OPEN**

Saturday, May 23, 2026



Meadowink Golf Course

4076 Bulltown Road, Murrysville, PA 15668

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

PRICE: \$120 includes green fees, cart, snack at turn, beer, & dinner

AGENDA: Noon registration; 1:00pm shotgun start; 6:00pm dinner

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

Reminder: PA LCB do not allow you to bring your own alcohol.



REMEMBERING

Steve Manners & Mike Aivaliotis
5/25/1951-9/15/2000 3/12/1951-2/12/2025

PASCHAL GREETING IN OTHER LANGUAGES



Albanian – Krishti u ngjall! Vërtet u ngjall!

Arabic – !اقح ماق! حيسملا ماق (al-Masīḥ qām! Ḥaqqan qām!)

Armenian – Christos haryav i merelotz! Orhnial e Haroutiunn Christosi! – (*Christ is risen! Blessed is the resurrection of Christ!*)

Bulgarian – Христос възкръсна! Наистина възкръсна! (*Hristos vyzkryсна! Naistina vyzkryсна!*)

Coptic – ΠιΧριστος αψτωνϥ! ἕεν ουμεῶμνι αψτωνϥ! (*Pikhristos Aftonf! Khen oumethmi aftonf!*)

Dutch – Christus is opgestaan! Hij is waarlijk opgestaan!

English – Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!

French – Christ est ressuscité! Il est vraiment ressuscité!

Georgian – ქრისტე აღსდგა! ჭეშმარიტად აღსდგა! (*Kriste aḡsdga! Č'ešmarit'ad aḡsdga!*)

German – Christus ist auferstanden! Er ist wahrhaftig auferstanden!

Greek – Χριστός ανέστη! Ἀληθῶς ανέστη! (*Khristós Anésti! Alithós Anésti!*)

Italian – Cristo è risorto! È veramente risorto!

Japanese – ハリストス復活！実に復活！ (*Harisutosu fukkatsu! Jitsu ni fukkatsu!*)

Korean – 그리스도께서 부활하 셧네! 참으로 부활하셧네! (*Geuriseudokkeseo Buhwalhasheotne! Chameuro Buhwalhasheotne!*)

Latin – Christus resurrexit! Resurrexit vere!

Mandarin – 基督復活了 他確實復活了 (*Jidu fuhuo-le! Ta qeshi fuhuo-le!*)

Norwegian – Kristus er oppstanden! Han er sannelig oppstanden!

Polish – Chrystus zmartwychwstał! Prawd-ziwie zmartwychwstał!

Portuguese – Cristo ressuscitou! Em verdade ressuscitou!

Romanian – Hristos a înviat! Adevărat a înviat!

Church Slavonic – Христѡсъ воскрѣсе! Воистину воскресе! (*Christos voskrese! Voistinu voskrese!*)

Spanish – ¡Cristo ha resucitado! ¡En verdad ha resucitado!

Slovak – Christos vstal z mŕtvych! Vpravde vstal z mŕtvych!

Swahili – Kristo Amefufukka! Kweli Amefufukka!

APRIL/MAY 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women Orthros 8:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.	27	28 Adult Greek Classes 6:30 p.m.	29	30	MAY 1	2 Greek School 10:00 a.m.
Food Festival Set-up						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Sunday of the Paralytic Orthros 8:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.	Food Festival May 5- 10, 2026					
10 Sunday of the Samaritan Woman Orthros 8:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. HAPPY MOTHERS DAY Food Festival	11	12 Adult Greek Classes 6:30 p.m.	13	14	15	16 Greek School 10:00 a.m. Event LH
Food Festival Clean Up						
17 Sunday of the Blind Man Orthros 8:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Church School Graduation	18 YAL Basketball 7:00 pm	19 Adult Greek Classes 6:30 p.m.	20	21	22	23 NO GREEK SCHOOL