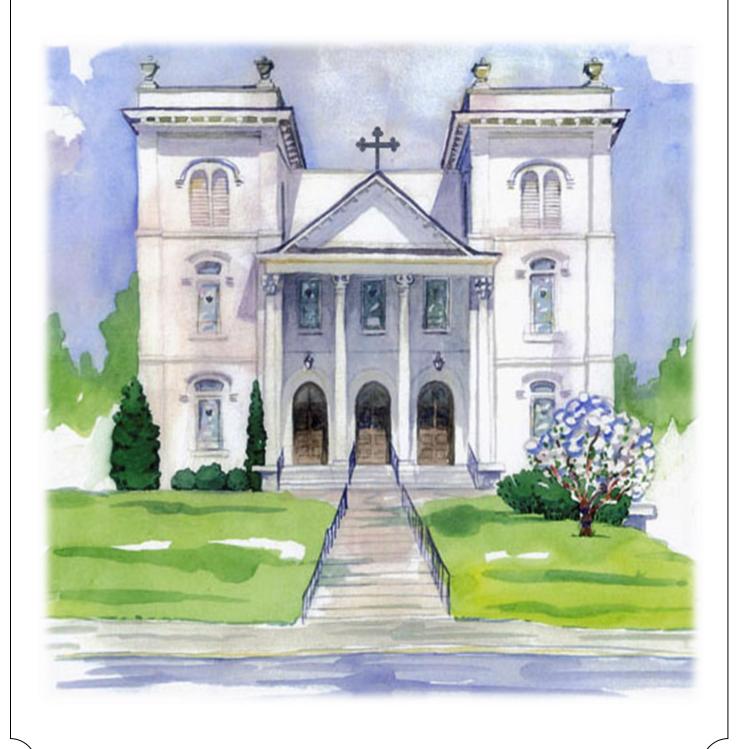
Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church

SUMMER 2022 QUARTERLY BULLETIN



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<u>SUNDAY SERVICES</u> (For services during the week, please visit our webpage)

Orthros Divine Liturgy Coffee Fellowship

9:15am 10:30am 12:00pm/ following Liturgy

PARISH CLERGY Rev. Fr. Theodore Ehmer frtheodore@holycrossga.org

PARISH COUNCIL David Zoumberis, President Alex Saratsiotis, Vice-President Gray Yates, Secretary Bob Dunbar, Assistant Secretary Maria McCluskey, Treasurer Natalia Saratsiotis, Assistant Treasurer Sarah Drakopoulos, Member-at-Large

Father Theodore's Message

My beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

"Therefore, brethren, stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught, whether by word or epistle." St. Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians (2:15)

Χριστός Ανέστη! Christ is Risen! (We continue saying the Paschal Greeting until the Leave-taking of Pascha, which this year is June 1.)

I was recently discussing with someone the concept of the Church and the title that our Church has as a "Greek Orthodox" Church. Now, right off the bat, it is necessary to point out that this title is a bit of a misnomer. The title is more of an identifier. If you go to the "old country," you don't find "Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church," you find H Εκκλησία (or more properly o Naoς/the Temple) του Τιμίου Σταυρού, the Church of the Holy Cross. In the "old country," there is no need for the identifier, you just simply call it what it is named after/dedicated to. In our pluralistic American society, that isn't the case. The "Greek Orthodox" title is a necessity to help people understand who we are.



There are times when I, as a priest, see this title as a hindrance of our evangelism to those around us in Central Georgia. It is not an infrequent occurrence that someone will ask (or just assume) that one needs to be Greek to be a part of our parish. A lot of this can be chalked up to ignorance on the part of the one asking as many people are woefully uneducated about Church history. Sadly, some of this could perhaps be chalked up to what they may have heard in the past from other Greek Orthodox Christians. So why don't we get rid of this title and just call ourselves "Holy Cross Orthodox Church?" It is a valid question, but it is not a question that has as black and white of an answer as one might assume on either side of the coin.

The quotation at the beginning of this letter is from St. Paul writing to the church at Thessaloniki. He is imploring them to not forsake what they have been taught either through letters (i.e. scripture) or by word (i.e. preaching/tradition). Two points must be made here. First, there is no basis for "sola scriptura" (by scripture only) in the Christian world. How could that even be the case when the New Testament didn't exist in its full form until the fourth century? There was an encompassing living tradition that existed in the churches that were founded by the apostles and passed on through their successors. Second, St. Paul here is writing to a church in Thessaloniki. Thessaloniki is the second biggest city in Greece. There has been a Christian Church there from the beginning in unbroken succession. The traditions that they have been taught by word or epistle have been handed down for two thousand years. Our Church here in Macon has received that same inheritance. As a Greek Orthodox Church, our lineage doesn't just begin here in Macon, but it extends back through that Eastern Mediterranean world from where the Christian faith was born. The "Greek" Orthodox title reveals that inheritance. I don't point this out to be ethnocentric (I'm not even Greek, after all), but as a point of which we should be proud. To be Greek Orthodox means to have a spiritual lineage through and to those first Christians in Thessaloniki, in Corinth, in Ephesus, in Antioch, in Alexandria, in Jerusalem, and so on. These were lands that were in the Hellenistic world at the time of the coming of our Lord. This is not something to shy away from. This is something that can be a great point of witness to our brothers and sisters in Central Georgia. We can show them that when they come to the Greek Orthodox Church, they go straight to the source! The title of "Greek Orthodox" is not a title that should point towards ethnic pride and having "Greek" blood. The title of "Greek Orthodox" should be a title which is a great witness to our ancient and apostolic tradition which came forth from the "Greek" Mediterranean world and has a two-thousand-year continuity through the communion of the One Body and One Blood of our One Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us be thankful for our Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church, and always be open to inviting and sharing our wonderful Greek Orthodox inheritance with those around us, that they may become Orthodox Christians too, and partake of the fullness of the faith and the richness of our Greek Orthodox tradition!

With love in Christ's Service,

Fr. Theodore



AXIOS, Fr. Theodore! On March 15th, Fr. Theodore celebrated the 7th anniversary of his Ordination to the Holy Priesthood. God protect and bless him always!



On March 13th, Father Theodore served with area clergy in Atlanta at the Annunciation Cathedral for Pan-Orthodox Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers. Glory to God!

Chaplain of the Day at the State Capitol





Parishioner and Representative Mike Cheokas invited Fr. Theodore and Presv. Stacey to the State Capitol on March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation/Greek Independence Day. Fr. Theodore spoke and led day's session with a prayer.



A NOTE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

David Zoumberis, president | dzoumberis@yahoo.com

Christos Anesti! Christ is Risen!

The last few months have been busy as usual at Holy Cross. There were so many opportunities to be involved in the life of our parish. As always, I would like to thank Fr. Theodore for his tireless service to our community. I also want to thank everyone who helped with the preparations for Lenten and Holy Week services.

The past couple of years have been especially hard on our youth, which is why I have been glad there have been opportunities for our youth to get involved in activities over the last few months. Luke and Carter Zoumberis were able to attend the Winter Youth Rally as part of the Marietta Goya group and had a wonderful time. In fact, Carter cannot stop talking about it! I encourage your children to consider participating next year if they were not able to this year.

Fr. Theodore and Presvytera Stacey graciously chaperoned and led the Metropolis Goya Lenten Retreat. Five of our Goyans went to the Diakonia Center for the Goya Lenten retreat. As far as I know, it was the first time any of our Goyans have attended the Lenten Retreat and I believe it was the first time a couple of them were able to go to the Diakonia Center. The youth had a great time, and I heard a lot of good things about the trip.

Presvytera Stacey coordinated our Parish level St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival. We had a good number of participants at all levels. Both Mary Katherine Saratsiotis and Carter Zoumberis went to the Metropolis Central Conference to compete against youth from other Parishes in Georgia and Alabama. I believe this was the first time our Goyans competed above the parish level. They represented Holy Cross well.

We have a couple of youth registered for St. Stephens Summer Camp at the Diakonia Center. Hopefully, more will be able to attend. It is a beautiful location, and it gives the kids an opportunity to meet other Orthodox youth in a fun environment.

Lastly, I want to mention the 15th Central Georgia Greek Festival. The Festival Committee has

started planning and we will be going back to a full festival! There will be some changes from the More information past. will be coming. We will need everyone's help to have a successful festival, put so the festival weekend, October 21-23, on your calendars - OPA!





GREEK ORTHODOX LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY NEWS

Sarah Drakopoulos, president | Philoptochos@holycrossga.org

Dear Holy Cross Family,

Xριστός Ανέστη! Christ is Risen! I greet you with a sense of renewal and hope for all of us. Our chapter has been very busy with our many outreach projects. Recently, I had the opportunity to go to Union Elementary to distribute the food bags to each classroom and it was such a gift to see how the Backpack Ministry impacts so many children in our community. Even though we only play a tiny part in this, it is wonderful to visit the school and interact with the teachers and students. The work of Philoptochos offers hope to those less fortunate.

Our Chapter has started the PhiloCARES fund to assist our Parish with intervention, resources and assistance to those in need. If you know of anyone in need, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I would like to thank everyone for their help. We had a wonderful Palm Sunday Luncheon, a successful Tsoureki sale and the services during Lent and Holy Week were beautified by many of our faithful members. And to those who work behind the scenes to keep us on track, thank you! I am also grateful to Father Theodore and Presvytera Stacey for their spiritual guidance and for supporting our efforts!

With sisterly love,

Sarah Drakopoulos



Once a month, we are assigned to deliver food to classrooms at Union Elementary School. If you are interested and able to help once school resumes in the fall, please contact Sarah to be put on the schedule and/or to get more information.

♥ Shut-Ono

If you know of someone that is in need of "Parishioner Love", please let a Board Member know so we can send them a care package to let them know we care and miss them!

Philoptochos HAS A VENMO ACCOUNT - @HOLYCROSS-PHILOPTOCHOS

We have been extremely fortunate to be able to fulfill our commitments with both National Philoptochos and the Metropolis. Below are the commitments we have contributed towards since January.

Saint Basil's Academy (\$450)- Saint Basil Academy is the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese home for children in need. The Academy provides a loving Christian environment where resident children are nurtured to adulthood. The Vasilopita commitment provides funding for the Academy's operating expenses.

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- Social Services (\$75)- The Social Services Department of Philoptochos provides outreach, support and financial assistance to those in need.
- Cancer Fund (\$75)- The Cancer and Other Major Illnesses Fund provides financial support to people undergoing treatment for cancer and other critical illnesses.
- Saint Photios Shrine (\$50) The Saint Photios National Shrine is a living memorial to the first colony of Greek settlers, 400 in all, who came to the New World in 1768. The Shrine honors and serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made by the first colony of Greeks and all the settlers who followed.
- Autism Assistance Fund (\$50)- The Autism Assistance Fund provides assistance and support to persons within the Autism spectrum and promotes education to heighten Autism awareness.
- Orthodox Christian Missions Fund (\$100) Philoptochos offers financial assistance to Orthodox Christian missionary teams and other international missionary work, strengthening their ability to carry the message of the Orthodox Church throughout the world.
- Support-A-Mission-Priest Fund (\$150) This commitment enables Orthodox bishops and priests in mission areas to build and restore churches, community centers, schools and medical facilities, and to participate in training, teaching and field management.
- Hellenic College/Holy Cross (\$500)- On the third Sunday of Lent, when the Veneration of the Holy Cross is observed, Philoptochos chapters sponsor a Lenten Event following the Divine Liturgy. Proceeds of this event go towards the operating expenses of the school.
- International Orthodox Christian Charities (\$125)- IOCC, in the spirit of Christ's love, offers emergency relief and development programs to those in need world-wide, without discrimination, to enable them to continue to improve their own lives and communities and to have means to live with dignity, respect and hope. The mission and focus of IOCC, of helping those in great need, is deeply aligned with the work of Philoptochos.

- Sisterhood of Saint Basil Academy (\$50)- The Sisterhood of Saint Basil Academy Fund provides for the day-to-day needs of the children who have made Saint Basil Academy home, including clothing, furnishings, equipment and other essentials for dormitories, graduation, awards and gifts.
- Agape (\$100) The Agape Fund Donation assists the Metropolis with various Diakonias including educational and youth programs.
- **Clergy Education (\$50)-** The Clergy Education Commitment assists students who are legal residents of the Metropolis of Atlanta and studying at Holy Cross School of Theology for the priesthood with a scholarship based on a sliding scale according to the financial need of the student. The second purpose is to provide priests in the Metropolis of Atlanta spiritual and professional growth by continuing education through participation in conferences and other educational programs.
- **Philanthropy (\$100)-** The Philanthropy Commitment provides financial assistance those in need within our Metropolis. Assistance is given for necessary essentials such as electric bills, water bills, rent, funeral expenses, medical expenses, prescriptions and more.
- Website/Communications (\$50)- The Website/Communications Commitment provides financial support to maintain and update the Metropolis of Atlanta Philoptochos Website and other types of communication to our Chapters.
- Youth/Summer Camp (\$100)- The Youth/Camp Commitment assists Youth Programs and Orthodox Christian Education.
- Discretionary Fund (\$50)- The Discretionary Fund Commitment is collected and disbursed to the Metropolis to provide emergency relief for natural disasters and other critical misfortunes to the faithful within our Metropolis.
- Good Shepherd Special Needs Camp (\$50) The Christ the Good Shepherd Camp for Special Needs Commitment assists the operation of the camp held for youth of special needs and their families.
- Miscellaneous Fund (\$25)- The Miscellaneous Coupon is for any event or occasion that is not a Metropolis budget commitment or donation. For example: In memory of or in honor of an individual or to commemorate a special occasion.
- Gifts (\$25)- The Gifts Donation assists with various gifts, flowers to individuals and donations to organizations not accounted for in the yearly budget



I sincerely thank our Sunday School teachers Jennifer, Gray, and Christina, and our subs, for their commitment to our youth. Our community and our kids are blessed by their service!

We're going to stick with various Holy Cross families serving as "Host Coordinators" for summer events. Let me know if there's one you'd like to host, OR if you have other ideas of activities for our youth, and we'll get them on the schedule! Wide open to what the people want!

SUMMER EVENTS/IDEAS TO LOOK FORWARD TO:

ST. STEPHEN'S SUMMER CAMP: our Metropolis of Atlanta offers 5 different weeks of camp, from June 26th - July 30th. Fr. Theodore will be going Week 1. Consider signing up next year before it sells out...it's such a great program!

JUNE: Macon Bacon Game, Swim Parties (older and younger)

JULY: Family Lake Day and Cookout at Lake Tobosofkee

AUGUST: Dormition of the Theotokos Activity

SEPTEMBER: Sunday School Starts

Other ideas are a Six Flags trip, bowling, going to a movie, kickball with St. Innocent, fruit picking, a mini VBS.. *again if you or your family are interested in helping with or "captaining" ANY of these ideas or others, let me know and we'll get them on the schedule!* Love in Christ, Pres. Stacey



Presvytera Stacey Ehmer, Youth Ministry Director staceyehmer@gmail.com



On April 30th, Mary Katherine Saratsiotis (senior division) and Carter Zoumberis (junior division) participated in the Central Conference St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival at St. Christopher Hellenic Orthodox Church in Peachtree City, Georgia.

Congratulations Graduates! May God keep you in all that you do!



SOPHIA CANTRELL

graduated cum laude from the University of Georgia with a bachelors degree in International Affairs. In her time at UGA, Sophia was able to expand her language skills, learn about the international community and international policy, and even participate in moot courts to broaden her knowledge of the international legal system. Sophia has accepted a position as a legal assistant and is currently applying to law school.



CHLOE GOSS

graduated from the University of South Carolina with a degree in Public Relations and a minor in Sports Management. She is moving to Atlanta for a Social Media Analytics position with Delta which she starts in June.



DIANA CAZACU

graduated from Baldwin High School as Salutatorian, and she will attend Georgia College in the fall. She is already taking dual enrollment classes there where she plans to complete her core classes. She was also accepted at the University of Georgia and Georgia Tech. She plans to transfer to UGA to pursue a degree in fine arts. She is also interested in literature and fine arts.



GEORGE IAKOVIDIS graduated from Mercer University with a degree in Information Science and Technology and a minor in Computer Science and Graphic Design. He plans to pursue a Master's Degree in Geographic Information Science and Technology at Georgia Tech.



MICHAEL DRAKOPOULOS

graduated from Academy of Classical Education. He is exploring different career options including cyber security and technology. He is hoping to start in Fall 2022.



EVAN NANAJ

graduated from Mercer University with a bachelors in International Relations. He plans to attend graduate school at Syracuse University in New York. Helleníc College/Holy Cross School of Theology Phíloptochos Lenten Luncheon



Philoptochos held its annual Lenten Luncheon in support of Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology, our beautiful Orthodox seminary in Brookline, Massachusetts. Thank you to Eleni Adams and all the ladies who helped.









Lenten Retreat Weekend









In early April, Fr. Theodore and Presv. Stacey had the pleasure of spending time with our Metropolis of Atlanta Youth for the Annual Lenten Retreat! This year's topic was "The Truth About Doubt."



Sunday of Orthodoxy





Mary Katherine Saratsiotis presented her speech on Iconography as the "homily" for the Sunday of Orthodoxy.

Our Holy Cross Youth processed with their Holy Icons.

The Holy and Life-Giving Cross of our Lord





On March 27th, we celebrated the Veneration of the Holy Cross, marking the half way point of Great Lent!

Saturday of Lazarus













Parishioners prepared for Palm Sunday after Divine Liturgy on the Saturday of Lazarus on April 16th. Thank you to Sarah Drakopoulos who organized the folding of the palms.

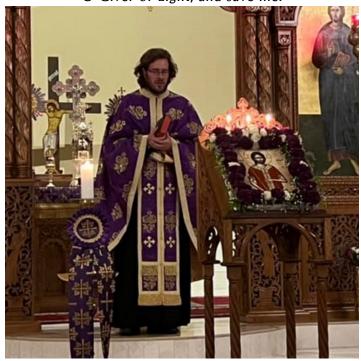


Hosanna in the Highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!



Bridegroom Oespers O my Savior, now I see Your wedding hall decorated,

O my Savior, now I see Your wedding hall decorated, and I have not the garment needed for me to enter it. Make this raiment of my soul brightly shine, O Giver-of-Light, and save me.



Holy Wednesday

Holy Father, Physician of our souls and bodies, have mercy, forgive, and save your servants.







By Your enormous and all-infinite compassion for us, O Christ God, have mercy on us.









Preparations for Holy Friday









Taking Christ Down From The Cross



I magnify Your Passion, and I extol Your burial and Your resurrections, as I cry out: O Lord, glory to You!



Great & Holy Friday Coening O Christ, who holds the whole word in Your hand, You accepted to be held in the sepulcher, so that You might rescue humanity, which was swallowed by Hades, and, as immortal God, give us life and immortality.





























Great & Holy Friday Evening

























"**Proto**" Anastasi Arise, O God!

Agape Oespers Gospel Readers pictured below



Easter Egg Hunt



Paseha!

Χριστός Ανέστη! Αληθώς Ανέστη! Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!













Pascha Luncheon



















Mark Your Calendars! June 16:

June 16: Trivia @ 7pm Society Garden

July 14: Macon Bacon @ 7pm

August: TBD



Although the Blood Drive was cancelled, that didn't stop the NSYAG from enjoying the beautiful weather and delicious dinner outside the parish house in the courtyard.



Bowling at Gold Cup in Warner Robins

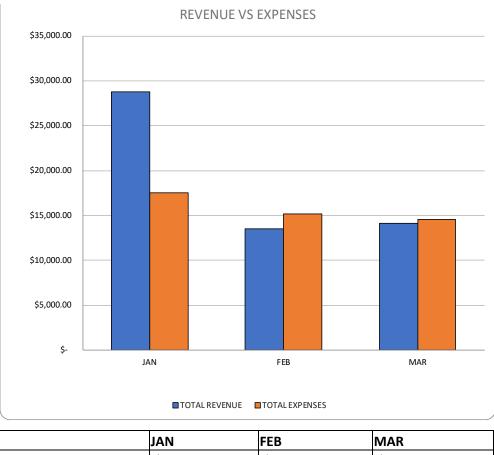


It was "Ladies Night & Brad" at our May YAM get together. Thanks, Perrys, for your warm hospitality!



Picnic at the Mercer Baseball game

QUARTER 1 FINANCIAL REPORT



| | JAN | FEB | MAR | | | |
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| TOTAL REVENUE | \$ 28,747.34 | \$ 13,526.02 | \$ 14,128.09 | | | |
| TOTAL EXPENSES | \$ 17,509.83 | \$ 15,141.10 | \$ 14,556.24 | | | |
| NET/DEFICIT | \$ 11,237.51 | \$ (1,615.08) | \$ (428.15) | | | |
| **Please note these values do not include reserves from Festival Account** | | | | | | |

Thank you all for your contributions and continued support!

To access information about any financial giving, please visit our online giving link: <u>http://holycrossga.org/</u> <u>online-giving</u>

Thank you all for everything this past year as the Parish Treasurer! Without your support, we would not be where we are to start a new year with hope and friendship!

> Maria McCluskey 2022 Parish Council Treasurer

American Red Cross BLOOD DRIVE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22ND

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20TH 3PM—7PM | PARISH HOUSE Give Blood • Give Life SCAN THE QR CODE TO SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT TODAY! PLEASE CONSIDER SIGNING UP AND DONATING BLOOD!



~ HOLY SACRAMENTS & SERVICES ~

Catechumens



René Esquivel April 10th Charlotte Douglas May 23rd **Baptisms**

Cyndi "Xenia" Douglas Sponsors: Richard & Mina Steward; May 21st



Lincoln "Samuel" Wells, Logan "Michael" Wells, Emmaline "Emmelia" Young Godparents: Adam & Jennifer Kangas May 21st <u>Weddings</u>



Steve & Cyndi Douglas Sponsors: Richard & Mina Steward May 22nd

Congratulations & God Grant you many years!

✤ Sophia Tsamolias (1 year) - Mar. 6th

<u>Memorials</u> May Their Memory Be Eternal!

╋ Chuck Ray (40-day) - Mar. 13th

STEWARDSHIP: 1ST QUARTER 2022

For the quarter ending March 31, 2022, our Holy Cross parish is blessed with <u>49 Family Units</u> that have participated in our financial Stewardship Ministry. There are also another <u>7 Family Units</u> that are committed for this year.

Total **Family Units** on our Stewardship contact list: <u>117</u> Total **Family Units** contributing in 2021: <u>76</u>

Hopefully, we will continue to see more of our parishioners attending Divine Liturgy in person so that we can reach our goal of at least <u>**85 Family Units**</u> in 2022. In addition, we have catechumens and other inquirers that have contacted Father Theodore who will be joining Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church this year.

Yours in Christ, The Stewardship Committee Spyros Dermatas, Tassie Cantrell, Diane Berkner and Adam Kangas

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BUILDING COMMITTEE

Adam Kangas, Jim Lekas & Alex Saratsiotis

There is finally good news from the building committee! On May 15th, there was a Special General Assembly meeting that chose one company to repair the stucco and paint the outside of the church! This has been long overdue, and hopefully, they will be starting on this project very soon.

One other project that will soon be underway is the gravel and drainage system for the back grassy area next to the old daycare building. For those of you who like to mud bog, we are so sorry, but you will have to find another place!

The inside of the church is on hold until the outside repairs are complete! Thank you so much for your patience with this whole process!

EPISTLE READERS & FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

| DATE | GREEK READER | ENGLISH READER | FELLOWSHIP HOST |
|-----------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| June 5 | Pete Tsamolias | Charles Glotzbach | Denna Bradford |
| June 12 | George Saratsiotis | Beth Zoumberis | Cleo Bennette |
| June 19 | Aleca Hortman | Cheryl Schwartzkopf | Alex Blitzer |
| June 26 | Pete Tsamolias | Cleo Bennette | Jennifer Kangas |
| July 3 | George Saratsiotis | Diana Cazacu | Kathye Patras |
| July 10 | Maria Spicer | Erick Schwartzkopf | Christina Danforth |
| July 17 | Aleca Hortman | Panos Drakopoulos | Mandi Saratsiotis |
| July 24 | Pete Tsamolias | Steve Douglas | Maria Spicer |
| July 31 | George Saratsiotis | Isabelle Saratsiotis | Despina Passias |
| August 7 | Tassie Cantrell | Jennifer Kangas | Tassie Cantrell |
| August 14 | Aleca Hortman | Nadia Cazacu | Holly Economopoulos |
| August 21 | Pete Tsamolias | Richard Stewart | Natalia Saratsiotis |
| August 28 | George Saratsiotis | Sophia Cantrell | Amanda Lord |

BIRTHDAYS, NAME DAYS, & ANNIVERSARIES

If you would like your birthday, Name Day, and/or anniversary listed in our weekly bulletins or if there is a correction that needs to be made, please email the office and we will add it to our master list. Please email office@holycrossga.org for any corrections.

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June

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|-------------|----------------------------------|--------|
| 6.01 | *Alexandra Stefanis (B) | |
| | *Justin Lane (N) | 7 |
| | *Erick & Cheryl Schwartzkopf (A) | 7 |
| 6.02 | *Leo Economopoulos (B) | 7 |
| 6.04 | *Mary Gordy (N) | 7 |
| 6.05 | *Isabelle Saratsiotis (B) | • |
| 6.06 | *Danai & René Equivel (A) | 7 |
| 6.07 | *Chloe Morris (B) | · · |
| 6.08 | *Presvytera Kaliope Vastakis (N) | |
| | *Kalie Crouse (N) | 7 |
| | *Elizabeth Zoumberis (B) | . 7 |
| | *Alexa Economopoulos (B) | |
| 6.09 | *James Bennette (B) | |
| | *Erzebet & John Santon (A) | |
| 6.11 | *Jennifer and Adam Kangas (A) | |
| 6.12 | *Matthew Deskins (B) | |
| | *Elizabeth & Tony Zoumberis (A) | 7 |
| 6.16 | *Henry Goss (B) | |
| 6.17 | *Georgios Tarasidis (B) | 7 |
| · | *Chrissy Holland (B) | |
| | *Chuck Oliver (B) | 7 7 |
| 6.19 | *Danny "Jude" McBride (N) | |
| 6.24 | *Chrissy and Guy Holland (A) | |
| • | *Jessica Holland (N) | 7 |
| | *Marissa Goss (B) | / |
| 6.25 | *Lori Crouse (B) | |
| Ŭ | *George Drakopoulos (B) | |
| | *Maria & Tim Murphy (A) | |
| | *Evan Nanaj (B) | Α |
| 6.27 | *Isabelle Saratsiotis (N) | 8 |
| 6.26 | *Chrissy and Tom Zdrakas (A) | 8 |
| 6.28 | *Mina & Richard Stewart (A) | 8 |
| 6.29 | *Lee Hornbaker (N) | 8 |
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| <u>July</u> | | |
| 7.02 | *Arty Passias (B) | 8 |
| 7.03 | *Emily Dermatas (B) | 8 |
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| 7.07 | *Dominic Economopoulos (N) |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| | *Jordan Perry (B) |
| 7.10 | *Amalia Emily Dermatas (N) |
| 7.14 | *Tassie Cantrell (B) |
| 7.15 | *Rene Esquivel (B) |
| 7.17 | *Marina Deskins (N) |
| | *Anthony Nicholas Odom (N) |
| 7.20 | *Louis Bennette (N) |
| | *Cleo Bennette (N) |
| | *Paula and Jimmy Cacavias (A) |
| 7.21 | *Diane Berkner (B) |
| 7.22 | *Holly & Tony Economopoulos (A) |
| | *Mary Monika Robinson (N) |
| | *Marcela Chiorescu (N) |
| | *Joan Cabral (N) |
| | *René Antonio Esquivel, Jr. (B) |
| | *Evan Nanaj (N) |
| 7.24 | *Eleni Adams (B) |
| | *Christine Sprouse (N) |
| 7.25 | *Hannah Kostakis (N) |
| 7.26 | *Vivi Iakovidis (N) |
| 7.27 | *Pete Nicholas (N) |
| | *Hazel Dunbar (N) |
| | *Daniela Peterson (B) |
| 7.30 | *Emily and Spyros Dermatas (A) |
| | *Maria and Bob McCluskey (A) |
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| <u>Augu</u> | et |
| 8.02 | *Lee Hornbaker (B) |
| 8.03 | *Georgia Saratsiotis (B) |
| 8.04 | *Dimitris Karras (B) |
| 8.05 | *Pamela Poulos (B) |
| 8.08 | *Joachim Ehmer (B) |
| 8.10 | *Lori Crouse (N) |
| 5.10 | *Panayiotis Drakopoulos (B) |
| | *Nate Schwartzkopf (B) |
| 8.11 | *Jim Lekas (B) |

8.12 *Marcela & Cornelius Chiorescu (A)

*Presvytera Stacey Ehmer (B) *Marcela Chiorescu (B) *Paula Cacavias (N) *Mary Hornbaker (N) *Maria Spicer (N) *Panaviotis Drakopoulos (N) *Despina Passias (N) *Marianna Lane (N) *Paige Crouse (N) *Peter Tsamolias (N) *Maria McCluskey (N) *Mary Katherine Saratsiotis (N) *Chloe Morris (N) *Maria Murphy (N) *Mariana Filimon (N) *Lisa Needham (N) *Mary Klaire Zoumberis (N) *Marie-Louise Saratsiotis (N) *Ron Sprouse (N) *Indie Day Morris (N) *Lisa Needham (B) *Sofia Lekas (B) *Nikitis Zoumberis (B) *Despina & Arty Passias (A) *Fr. Mike & Pres. Kalliopi Vastakis (A) *Bob Dunbar (N) *Angelika Passias (B) *Cristina and Jim Lekas (A) *Bob Dunbar (B) *Natalia Saratsiotis (N) *Natalia Lane (N) *Maria McCluskey (B) *Amanda Lord (B) *George Iakovidis (B) *Alex Saratsiotis (N) 8.30 *Mandi Saratsiotis (N) *Aleca Hortman (N) *Alexandra Stefanis (N) *Mariana & Dragos Filimon (A) *John Greene (B)



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| | | | 1 Leave-taking of Pascha 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy 6:00pm Great Vespers | 2 Ascension 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 3 | 4 5:00pm Great Vespers | | |
| 5 Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 6 | 7 | 8 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Bible Study | 9 | 10 6:00pm Orthros 7:00pm Divine Liturgy with Memorial Service for Saturday of the Souls | 11 Saturday of the Souls 6:00pm Great Vespers | | |
| 12 Holy Pentecost 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy 12:00pm Kneeling Vespers | 13 | 14 | 15 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Bible Study | 16 7:00pm Not-So-Young- Adult Group - Trivia @ The Society Garden | 17 | 18 5:00pm Great Vespers | | |
| 19 The Sunday of All Saints 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 20 Apostles Fast Begins | 21 | 22 3pm-7pm Blood Drive 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Bible Study | 23 | 24 Nativity of St. John the Baptist 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 25 5:00pm Great Vespers | | |
| 26 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 27 | 28 | 29 Sts. Peter & Paul | 30 Synaxis of the 12 Holy Apostles | | | | |
| | | Father Theodore will be at Summer Camp at the Diakonia Center | | | | | | |
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| 3 3rd Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 4 Independence Day OFFICE CLOSED | 5 | 6 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Bible Study | 7 | 8 | 9 5:00pm Great Vespers |
| 10 4th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 11 | 12 | 13 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Bible Study | 14 7:00pm Not-So-Young- Adult Group - Macon Bacon | 15 | 16 5:00pm Great Vespers |
| 17 Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 18 | 19 | 20 3pm-7pm Blood Drive | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| | | | Father Theodore | will be out of town | | |
| 24 6th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 25 | 26 St. Paraskevi 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 27 St. Panteleimon 5:45pm Divine Liturgy | 28 | 29 | 30 5:00pm Great Vespers |
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| | 1 6:00pm Paraklesis | 2 | 3 6:00pm Paraklesis | 4 | 5 Great Vespers at Holy Transfiguration in Marietta | 6 Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy |
| 7 8th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 8 | 9 6:00pm Paraklesis | 10 | 11 6:00pm Paraklesis | 12 | 13 5:00pm Great Vespers |
| 14 9th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy 12:30pm Great Vespers | 15 Dormition of Theotokos 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 16 | 17 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Bible Study | 18 | 19 | 20 5:00pm Great Vespers |
| 21 10th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy 12:00pm Panagiri | 22 | 23 Panagia Prousiotissa (Chapel's Name Day) 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 24 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Bible Study | 25 | 26 Sts. Adrian & Natalia 6:00pm Divine Liturgy | 27 St. Phanurius 5:00pm Great Vespers |
| 28 11th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 29 Beheading of St. John the Baptist 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy | 30 | 31 5:45pm Great Vespers 6:30pm Bible Study | | | |
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