

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church

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SUNDAY SERVICES

(For services during the week, please visit our webpage)

Orthros	9:15am
Divine Liturgy	10:30am
Coffee Fellowship	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
Charles Glotzbach, 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,

*This Nativity night bestowed peace on the whole world;
So let no one threaten;
This is the night of the Most Gentle One – Let no one be cruel;
This is the night of the Humble One – Let no one be proud.
Now is the day of joy – Let us not revenge;
Now is the day of Good Will – Let us not be mean.
In this Day of Peace – Let us not be conquered by anger.
Today the Bountiful impoverished Himself for our sake;
So, rich one, invite the poor to your table.
Today we receive a Gift for which we did not ask;
So let us give alms to those who implore and beg us.
This present Day cast open the heavenly doors to our prayers;
Let us open our door to those who ask our forgiveness.
Today the DIVINE BEING took upon Himself the seal of our humanity,
In order for humanity to be decorated by the Seal of DIVINITY.
* from the Christmas sermon of St. Isaac the Syrian, 7th Century*

As we enter the month of December, naturally, our thoughts turn towards Christmas, the Nativity of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ. This is a time of great cheer, get togethers, and evenings by the fireplace. Additionally, it is often a time of stress, short fuses, and scurrying from one place to another looking for Christmas gifts. These are all part of our human experience of Christmastime. Yet, our life in Christ and in His Holy Church teaches us that our experience of Christmastime needs to go beyond simply an emotional response to our Lord's birth. We are called as Christians, as Orthodox Christians, to experience this time of year *psychosomatically*, in a manner which involves our entire being. [Side note: this word psychosomatic involves two key words: ψυχή – psyche – soul and σώμα – soma – body.]

The Incarnation, the taking on of our human flesh and nature on the part of Christ, is consequential and should be consequential in our lives. For this reason, I shared this quotation from St. Isaac (above) which implores us to the positive consequences of the Birth of Christ. It is not enough to simply believe in the story of Christmastime. It is not enough to simply experience Christmastime emotionally. Our Lord took on our flesh to heal us entirely, psychosomatically. However, that healing is not instantaneous, but comes with patient endurance from day to day. As we read in Holy Scripture, "By your endurance/patience (υπομονή) you will gain your souls." (Luke 21:19) If we remain on this emotional rollercoaster of the Christmas season, we haven't really engaged with the reality of the Christmas season and our Lord's Incarnation. However, with patient endurance, we can move from the rollercoaster of life to the deep-seated joy and peace in Christ which not only enlivens our souls but makes us feel whole in the entirety of our being. This is a divine gift from our Lord, yet takes our participation therein. Naturally, this begins with the life in the Church, the Divine Services, partaking of the Holy Mysteries, most especially Holy Communion, which are absolute necessities.

Concurrently, this also entails our participation in the life in Christ day to day. One thing that greatly assists in this is communing with our Lord through prayer. As we engage with this busy season, we can strengthen and protect ourselves with the shield of prayer throughout the day. The recitation and repetition of the Jesus Prayer (Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner) or in Greek (Κύριε Ιησού Χριστέ, ελέησόν με) is something of great benefit. We read about, speak about, talk about Christ's Peace. But do we really have it? Invite the Peace of Christ into your hearts through the Jesus Prayer – especially in this Christmas season where we proclaim the good news that, "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given...and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9:6)

May this Nativity Season and the New Year be a time where we allow ourselves to be decorated, in the words of St. Isaac, in the peace, love, hope, and joy of our good and loving Lord!

With love in Christ's Service,

Fr. Theodore



Father Theodore visited the Diakonia Center for the Fall Clergy meetings in October.



Holy Vigil | Ἱερὰ Ἀγρυπνία
for the Great Feast of The Entrance of the Most Holy Theotokos into the Temple
November 21, 2022

**Happy 40th Birthday,
Father Theodore!**



HOUSE BLESSINGS

If you would like to have your house blessed for the new year, please schedule your appointment online. The link will be located on our church webpage as well as the Internal Facebook page. Contact Presvytera Stacey if you need help signing up.

Christmas Service

SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 25TH
ORTHROS 9:15AM
DIVINE LITURGY 10:30AM

A NOTE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

David Zoumberis, president | dzoumberis@yahoo.com

Fr. Theodore and Fellow Parishioners,

I would like to start by saying thank you to Fr. Theodore for his spiritual guidance to our Parish Council. Also, thank you to the parishioners who have served on the Parish Council over the last 5 years with me. The time has flown and I think often about all that has occurred during that time.

We said good-bye to Fr. John and Presvytera Denise and welcomed Fr. Theodore and Presvytera Stacey (and then Joachim and Basil). There have been many beautifications to the inside of our Church, including the lighting, Solea and Iconostasis. The Building Committee along with the Parish Council, has worked to make structural repairs to ensure the Church building stays solid for years to come. Thank you to the planning and building committee's for continuing to beautify and maintain our Church.

The face of the community has also changed during the last 5 years. We have Orthodox people moving to middle Georgia and also people finding the Orthodox Church. Fr. Theodore has continued meeting with and teaching interested individuals in our area about Orthodoxy. I appreciate all of our parishioners welcoming visitors and making them feel like members of our family.

I would like to thank all parishioners for their continued support over the last two and half years since Covid. Under Metropolitan Alexios' guidance, we continued to practice our faith. The Parish Council appreciates your continued support of your time, talents and treasures.

In December, we will have elections for the Parish Council. Three members terms expire this year: Alex Saratsiotis, Natalia Saratsiotis and myself. As I write this, I do not know who will be the nominees running for the Parish Council, nor who will be elected; however, I do recognize the time and energy required to serve on the Council and appreciate everyone who volunteers to serve our community.

Lastly, thank you to everyone who helped make the 15th Annual Central Georgia Greek Festival a success. It is a lot of work, but we were able to share our faith, food and fellowship with all those that attended.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Christmas Poinsettias

If you are interested in sponsoring the Christmas Poinsettias "In Honor of..." or "In Memory of...", please contact Maria McCluskey or Natalia Saratsiotis.



On Sunday, September 11th, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church in Macon, Georgia in association with AIOPA (Atlanta Inter-Orthodox Parish Association), hosted an Inaugural Pan-Orthodox Cross Dive event. The day began with Orthros and Hierarchical Liturgy at Holy Cross, presided over by His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios of Atlanta. He was assisted by Rev. Fr. Christos Mars of the Annunciation Cathedral and Rev. Fr. Theodore Ehmer, parish priest of Holy Cross.



At the end of the Divine Liturgy, Metropolitan Alexios blessed Fr. Theodore with the office of Oikonomos (Economos). In this ceremony, the Bishop bestows upon the priest the blessing to wear the pectoral cross during divine services.



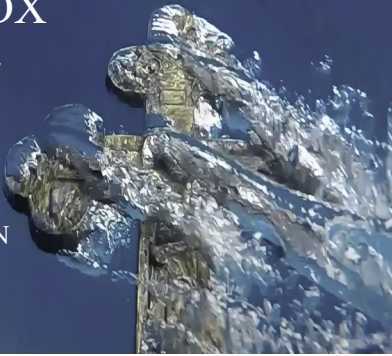
AXIOS!



INAUGURAL PAN-ORTHODOX CROSS DIVE

IN CONJUNCTION
WITH
THE ATLANTA
INTER-ORTHODOX
PARISH ASSOCIATION
(AIOPA)

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022



CROSS DIVE COMMITTEE









On October 2nd, we commemorated National Church Musicians Sunday; may St. John the Damascene, St. Romanos the Melodist, and St. John Koukouzelis intercede for us! Thank you Emily Dermatas and Aleca Hortman for your leadership, and all of our choir members and chanters for their service!

On November 13th, we honored our Holy Cross Veterans. We are thankful for those who have served our nation and pray for those who are actively serving in the Armed Forces. May God bless their efforts, their sacrifice and their love for our American nation!

*2022 Archangel
Michael Honorees
Bob Dunbar
& Maria Spicer*





GREEK ORTHODOX LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY NEWS

Sarah Drakopoulos, president | Philoptochos@holycrossga.org

Our Philoptochos chapter has been very busy the last few months. Thank you to everyone who has helped us with the Backpack Ministry and our Thanksgiving. This month, we will be working hard putting together the Holiday Pastry Trays and also coordinating Christmas for our Christmas family and nursing home. If you have not joined Philoptochos, please consider joining this year, we would love to have you! Our National Philoptochos has been leading the efforts to help the devastation in Florida from Hurricane Ian. Keep in mind that our National and Metropolis Philoptochos help so many families and children in need and we are so proud to be a part of that! Our small chapter makes such a difference in the lives of children and people in our community.

~ ADOPT-A-FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS ~

An email was sent out along with the link of items our adopted family would like for Christmas. If you did not get the email, please contact a Board Member.

CUTTING OF THE VASILOPITA

sponsored by

Ladies of Philoptochos

Sunday, January 1st

(All proceeds will benefit the Academy of Saint Basil)

Next Meeting: JANUARY 8TH

Venmo: @HOLYCROSS-PHILOPTOCHOS



Philoptochos sponsored a Fanouropita event. Thank you to the ladies who offered their talents and provided a fanouropita. Donations were given to the Youth Ministries of the Metropolis of Atlanta.

ADOPT-A-FAMILY & NURSING HOME

Philoptochos is adopting a family with three children and also a nursing home. If you are interested in participating in the Adopt-A-Family for Christmas, please see the link that was sent for signing up or contact Sarah Drakopoulos (for the family) or Amanda Lord (for the nursing home).

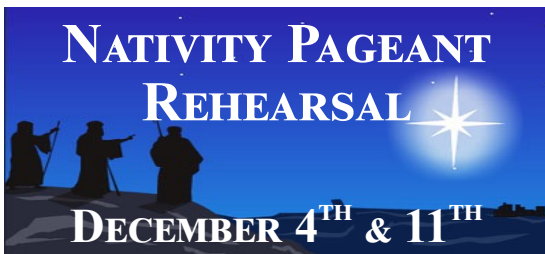
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ALONG WITH THE GOYA
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TOYS FOR TOTS
TOY DRIVE

NOW THRU
DEC. 12TH

PLEASE DONATE A NEW, UNWRAPPED TOY
AGES NEWBORN UP TO 14-YEARS-OLD



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



NATIVITY PAGEANT REHEARSAL

DECEMBER 4TH & 11TH

PUMPKIN CARVING



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

December

- 12/4: Youth Bowling at Pin Strikes Macon
- 12/11: 2nd Sunday Goya Meeting
- 12/17: Pet Blessing
- 12/18: Nativity Pageant & Toys for Tots with Philoptochos
- 12/20: Christmas Caroling together with Choir
- 12/27-30: WYR (Winter Youth Rally) in Atlanta

January

- 1/8: 2nd Sunday Goya Meeting
- 1/13-26: HDF (Hellenic Dance Festival) in Atlanta

February

- 2/5: Godparent Sunday
- 2/12: 2nd Sunday Goya Meeting
- 2/26: St. Photini "Reboot" & Altar Server Workshop

March

- 3/12: St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival

YOUTH THANKSGIVING POTLUCK

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These precious lambs were working on their St. Mark the Evangelist icons in Sunday School on November 6th.





Blessing for the new Sunday School Year & GOYA Meeting



Need Christmas Gift Ideas?

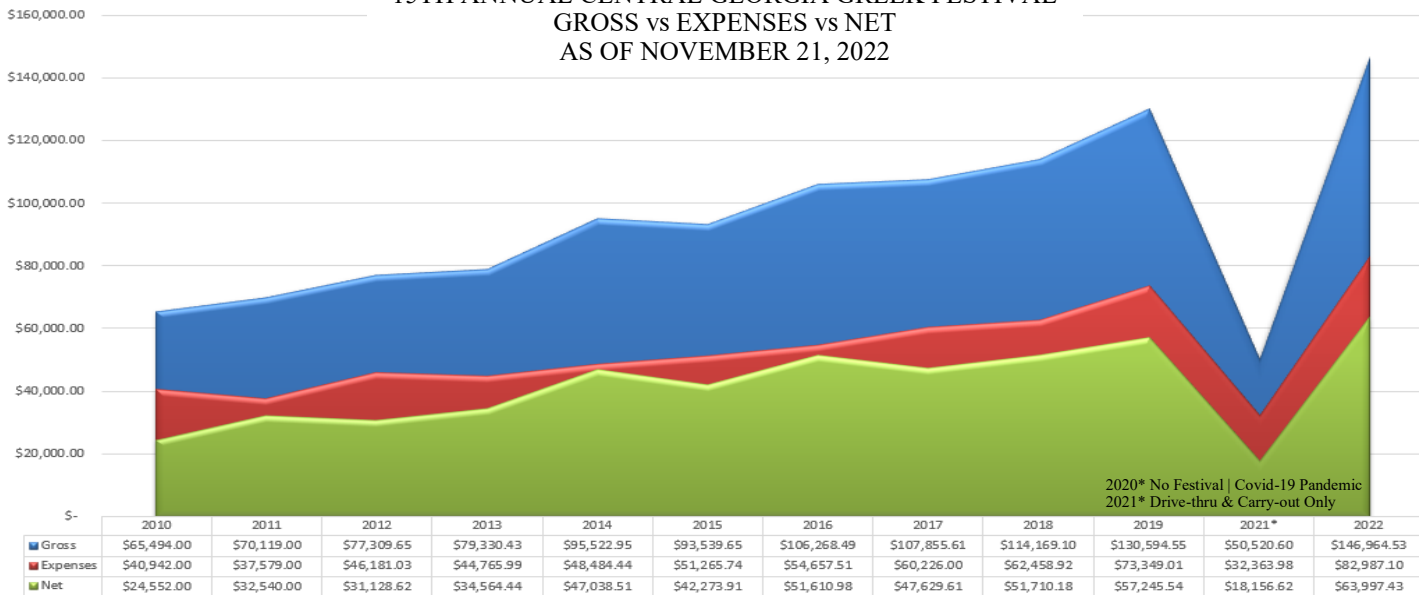
- ◆ Cristina has taken care to ensure our church Bookstore is well stocked! Check it out!
- ◆ Can't think of a gift for the person in your life who has "everything"?! As a family, consider choosing an Orthodox Charity to support! There are so many WORTHY options to choose from! IOCC (International Orthodox Christian Charities), OCMC (Orthodox Christian Mission Center), OCPM (Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry), FOCUS North America (Food Occupation Clothing Understanding Shelter), Project Mexico, and St. Basil Academy (Orphanage) are just a few of the many that need our financial and prayerful support. Look online at the options and choose WITH your children's help! It will impact their "investment" in the offering! Give a meaningful gift in honor of your loved ones.
- ◆ Consider purchasing beautiful and practical Orthodox items from Orthodox Small Biz owners! Here are a few websites:

*orthodoxmarketplace.com
 *thisandthathomestead.com
 *newromepress.com
 *parousiapress.com

*drawneardesigns.com
 *stpaisiusgiftshop.com
 *store.ancientfaith.com

*www.etsy.com/shop/TwoPebblesPrints
 *www.etsy.com/shop/OrthodoxToys
 *www.etsy.com/shop/AnnalisaBoyd
 *www.etsy.com/shop/BrightTuesdayDesign

15TH ANNUAL CENTRAL GEORGIA GREEK FESTIVAL
GROSS vs EXPENSES vs NET
AS OF NOVEMBER 21, 2022



**HOLY CROSS
SPRING FLING FOOD FAIR!**
MORE INFO TO COME!!!
**APRIL 22ND
11AM – 7PM**

SAVE THE DATE FOR 2023!!!

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We cannot thank everyone enough for the long hours you dedicated to the Greek Festival this year. Every year, our wonderful community is able to put together such a wonderful event for Central Georgia. Thank you to EVERYONE!!!





Mark Your Calendars!

**December 9
January 26
February 21**

Interested in organizing an outing, contact Fr. Theodore or Presvytera Stacey Ehmer



**Food Truck Friday / Echosped 80's Cover Band
September 17th**



**"Oktoberfesting" at The Ehmers
October 27th**

HOLY OLDIES GROUP!

Volunteer Coordinator Needed

Calling all parishioners 60+. If you are interested in organizing an outing, please contact Father Theodore.



Mark Your Calendars!

**December 11
January 12
February 23**

Interested in organizing an outing, contact David/Beth Zoumberis or Natalia Saratsiotis



**Splinters Axe House
September 16th**



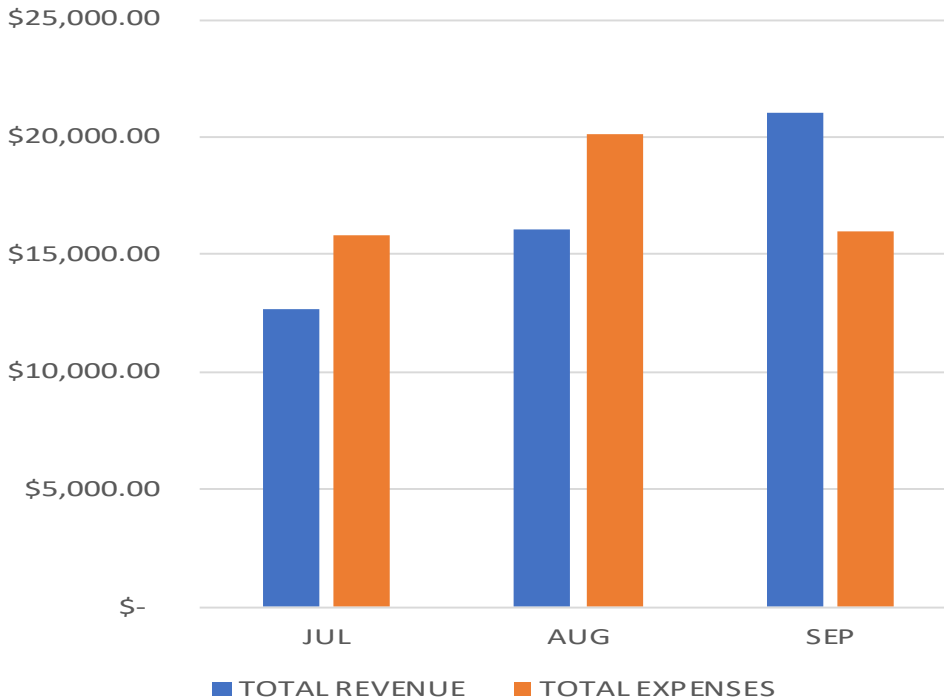
**Relaxing after the festival at Fall Line Brewery
October 25th**



**BURGER WEEK @ Ocmulgee BrewPub
November 10th**

QUARTER 3 FINANCIAL REPORT

Q3 Financial Report
REVENUE VS EXPENSES



*Thank you all
for your contributions
and continued
support!*

*To access information
about any financial
giving, please visit
our online
giving link:
[http://
holycrossga.org/
online-giving](http://holycrossga.org/online-giving)*

Maria McCluskey
2022 Parish Council
Treasurer

	JUL	AUG	SEPT
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 12,670.12	\$ 16,072.50	\$ 20,994.91
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 15,853.56	\$ 20,131.62	\$ 16,014.28
NET/DEFICIT	\$ (3,183.44)	\$ (4,059.12)	\$ 4,980.63

Please note these values do not include reserves from Festival Account



American Red Cross BLOOD DRIVE

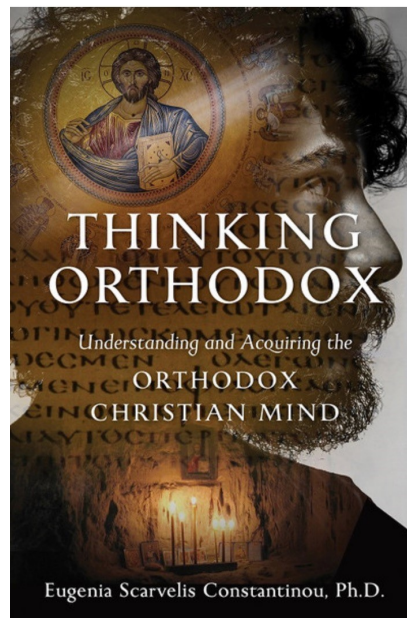
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 4TH
3PM—7PM | PARISH HOUSE

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Welcome

TO OUR HOLY CROSS FAMILY



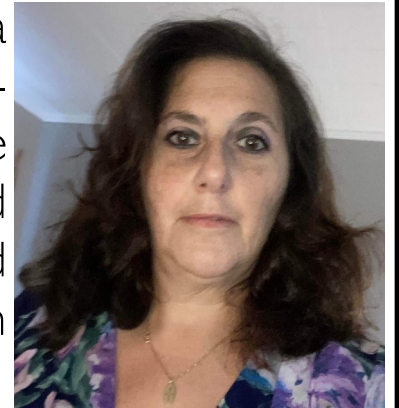
~ Maria Bronisevsky ~



Maria was born in Athens, Greece, and came to the United States in 1969. She has three very bright, successful and good children: Sarah, Joanna (see bio to the right), and Nicholas. She is a proud grandmother of five grandchildren. She studied Computer Programming, and she worked in the field for many years. After she was burned out from the field, she went to work for the airlines, and now she enjoys her lifetime benefits of flying to our beautiful country of Greece. Just recently, she moved to Macon so she could be close to her two daughters. She is loving this small Greek community and cannot wait to be able to be more involved. She thanks everyone for being so good to her and her family and for welcoming them to our community.

~ Joanna Patronis ~

Joanna was born in Tallahassee, Florida. She went to culinary school in Vermont and became a Pastry Chef. She is the proud "Thea" of 5 nieces and nephews. She is excited to have a Greek community to be involved in, and she is excited to be here in Macon.



GET TO KNOW THE GOYA ADVISOR

~ Sofia Lekas ~

Favorite way to spend your day off?

I enjoy playing soccer and beach volleyball for fun, going to the gym, cooking, and spending time with my family & friends.

Favorite church service or feast day?

Holy Thursday during Holy Week.

Break, lunch, or dinner? Describe your ideal meal.

Dinner - anything homemade/ethnic food

What superpower would you choose?

Teleportation

What is your favorite kind of music?

Reggae, classic rock, alternative, Electric dance music

What's one thing that can instantly make your day better?

Sunshine



What is your favorite Saint and why?

St. Helen because she is pious and traditionally credited for finding the relics of Christ's cross.

What song always gets you to the dance floor?

Mr. Brightside by The Killers

What qualities do you look for in a friend?

Loyalty, honesty and humor

What was the first job you ever had?

Soccer referee

What is something on your bucket list?

Attend the World Cup

What was your favorite subject in high school?

Chemistry

What is your biggest travel/adventure dream?

To visit all seven continents

~ HOLY SACRAMENTS & SERVICES ~

Catechumen

Chad Riley

August 28th



Congratulations & God Grant you many years!

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Good things have been happening at Holy Cross. As you know, the stucco on the outside of the church has been completed, as well as the interior wall on the south side. As mentioned at the General Assembly, we were able to pay for these repairs without having to borrow any money from the bank! Our next project that we will be looking into is the Parish House. There are several areas on the outside of the house that need to be repaired. Although we are on hold for the grassy area in the back, we are actively looking for quotes as the company we had lined up was unable to start the job.

STEWARDSHIP: 3RD QUARTER 2022

For the Quarter ending **September 30, 2022**, our Holy Cross Parish is blessed with **71 Family Units** that have participated in our financial **Stewardship Ministry**. There are also another **2 Family Units** that are committed for this year AND another **22** who have been reminded via email or text about **2022 Stewardship**. Our goal remains to have **85 Family Units** in Good Standing for the year.

Total **Family Units** on our Stewardship Ministry contact list: **121**
Total **Family Units** contributing in 2021: **76**

Thank you for your financial support of Holy Cross.

Stewardship Committee
Tassie Cantrell • Spyros Dermatas
Charles Glotzbach • Beth Zoumberis

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PLANNING COMMITTEE

The stucco people suggested awnings be installed to protect the two side sanctuary doors and basement door. The planning committee met with Macon Awnings. The plan was brought to Chip Boardman, Metropolitan's Architect, for approval and then to the Parish Council. The awnings were installed October 26th. The planning committee is eagerly awaiting the initial Iconography proposal in the next month. A formal presentation of the Iconography proposal will be given to the community at a later date. Good things are happening at Holy Cross! Glory be to God!

EPISTLE READERS & FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

DATE	GREEK READER	ENGLISH READER	FELLOWSHIP HOST
December 4	Aleca Hortman	Charles Glotzbach	Stacey Anne Goss
December 11	George Saratsiotis	Beth Zoumberis	Paul & Tammy Vrahiotes
December 18	Pete Tsamolias	Cheryl Schwartzkopf	Mina Stewart
December 25	Aleca Hortman	Bryan Gordy	Parish Council
January 1	George Saratsiotis	Diana Cazacu	Philoptochos
January 8	Pete Tsamolias	Erick Schwartzkopf	Natalia Saratsiotis
January 15	Aleca Hortman	Panos Drakopoulos	Despina Passias
January 22	George Saratsiotis	Robert Ice	Demetri & Hannah Kostakis
January 29	Pete Tsamolias	Richard Stewart	Cristina Lekas
February 5	Aleca Hortman	Angelika Passias	Denna Bradford
February 12	George Saratsiotis	Nadia Cazacu	Maria McCluskey
February 19	Pete Tsamolias	Isabelle Saratsiotis	Toula Tsamolias
February 26	Aleca Hortman	Brad Perry	Cheryl Schwartzkopf

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.

December

12.03	*Anna Kallergis (B)
12.04	*Erick Schwartzkopf (N) *Paul & Alyssa Syribeys (A)
12.05	*Cleo Bennette (B) *Stacey Goss (B) *Roza and Raymond Harris (A)
12.06	*George Stefanis (B) *Gray Yates (B) *Nick Dermatas (N) *Aaron Nicholas Vrahiotes (N) *Nicholas Poulos (N) *Steven Syribeys (B)
12.08	*Violet Christina Danforth (B) *Lilly Anne Syribeys (B)
12.09	*Tom Zdrakas (B) *Raymond Harris (B) *Nicholas James Peterson (B) *Diane Berkner (N) *Cheryl Stefanis (N) *Anna Kallergis (N) *Henry Gordy (B)
12.10	*Spyros Dermatas (B)
12.11	*Denna Bradford (B) *Adam Kangas (N) *Brad & Jordan Perry (A) *Holly Economopoulos (N)
12.12	*Fr. Michael Vastakis (B) *Spyros Dermatas (N) *Dragos Filimon (N)
12.13	*Kostas Iakovidis (B)
12.14	*Erick Schwartzkopf (B)
12.16	*Danai Esquivel (N) *David Needham (N)
12.17	*Kathye Patras (B) *Connor (Aaron) Morris (N)
12.18	*Guy Holland (B) *Rebekah Bradford (N)
12.21	*Tony Economopoulos (B)
12.22	*Presvytera Stacey Ehmer (N)
12.23	*Logan Wells (B)
12.24	*Eugenia Zoe Jones (N)
12.25	*Cristina Lekas (N) *Sam Ray (B) *Chrissy Holland (N)

	*Chrissy Zdrakas (N)	1.20
	*Christine Nicholas (N)	
	*Christian Morris (N)	1.21
	*Christina Danforth (N)	1.22
	*Violet Christina Danforth (N)	1.23
	*Gloria "Anastasia" Dixon (N)	
12.26	*John Cacavias (B)	1.24
12.27	*Kostas & Katerina Iakovidis (A) *Washington Morris (B)	1.25
12.30	*Hannah & Demetri Kostakis (A)	1.27
12.31	*Susan Sanders (B) *Melanie Moye (N)	1.31

	*Effie Morris (N)	
	*Charles Glotzbach (N)	
	*Gray Maximos Yates (N)	
	*Cheryl Schwartzkopf (B)	
	*Christina Danforth (B)	
	*Cheryl Schwartzkopf (N)	
	*Cyndi "Xenia" Douglas (N)	
	*Greg Spicer (N)	
	*Tony Zoumberis Jr. (B)	
	*Ben George Davis (B)	

January

1.01	*Bessie Andros (N) *Carter Zoumberis (N) *Betty Maxwell (N) *Basil Ehmer (N) *David Lee Bradford (N)
1.02	*Demetri Kostakis (B)
1.03	*Cristina Lekas (B) *Fr. Theodore & Presvytera Stacey (A) *Lukas Esquivel (B) *Jennifer Kangas (N)
1.04	*Alex Saratsiotis (B) *Robert Ice (B)
1.07	*John Cacavias (N) *Sean Morris (N) *John Santon (N) *John Apostolou (N) *John Staurulakis (N) *Bryan "John" Gordy (N)
1.08	*Holly Economopoulos (B)
1.15	*Kalie Crouse (B)
1.16	*Irene Ray (B) *Caroline Saratsiotis (B)
1.17	*Tony Bennette (N) *Tony Zoumberis, Sr. (N) *Tony Zoumberis, Jr. (N) *Anthony Paul Zoumberis (N) *Tony Economopoulos (N) *René Antonio Esquivel, Jr (N) *Tony Kallergis (N) *Wyatt Morris (B)

February

2.03	*Sean Morris (B)
2.04	*Harry Zaloumes (B)
2.05	*Richard Stewart (B)
2.06	*Louis Bennette (B)
2.08	*Dimitris Saratsiotis (B) *Brad Perry (B)
2.10	*Harry Bennette (N) *Harry Zaloumes (N)
2.11	*Ron Sprouse (B)
2.12	*Cheryl and George Stefanis (A)
2.13	*John Staurulakis (B)
2.14	*Eleni and Norman Adams (A) *Justin Lane (B)
2.16	*Adam Kangas (B)
2.17	*Father Theodore Ehmer (N)
2.18	*Lincoln Wells (B)
2.22	*Diana-Maria Cazacu (B) *John Apostolou (B)
2.23	*Nicholas Poulos (B) *Pamela Gorgonia Poulos (N)
2.26	*Carter Zoumberis (B) *Tammi "Fotini" Cantrell (N)
2.27	*Georgia & George Saratsiotis (A) *Jessica Holland (B)
2.29	*Kassiani Andros (N) *Marie-Louise Saratsiotis (B)

GOD GRANT YOU
MANY YEARS!

December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 6:30 Festival Chairmen Wrap-up Meeting	2 10:00am Book Study	3 Parish Council Training 4:00pm Chant Class 5:00pm Great Vespers
4 10th Sunday of Luke 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy Parish Council Elections 1:00 Youth Bowling @ Pin Strikes Macon	5	6 St. Nicholas 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	7 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Adult Study Class	8	9 7:00pm Young Adult Outing	10 4:00pm Chant Class 5:00pm Great Vespers
11 11th Sunday of Luke 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy Stewardship Blessing 12:00pm Usher Meeting 12:30pm GOYA Meeting (TBD) Not-So-Young-Adult Outing	12 St. Spyridon 5:00pm Orthros 6:00pm Divine Liturgy	13	14 5:45pm Vespers 6:30pm Adult Study Class	15	16 10:00am Book Study	17 9-11am Philoptochos Holiday Sale Pick-up 3:00pm Pet Blessing 4:00pm Chant Class 5:00pm Great Vespers
18 Sunday before Nativity 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy 12:00pm Christmas Pageant	19	20 5:00pm Youth Caroling with Choir	21 5:45pm Vespers	22 St. Anastasia 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	23 9:30am Royal Hours	24 Christmas Eve 5:30pm Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom with Christmas Carols 7:30pm Great Vespers
25 Christmas Day The Nativity of Our Lord 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy of St. Basil	26	27 St. Stephen	28	29	30	31 5:00pm Great Vespers
~ WINTER YOUTH RALLY ~						
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January 2023



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1 New Year St. Basil the Great 9:45am Orthros 11:00am Divine Liturgy 12:15pm Cutting of the Vasilopita	2	3	4 3-7:00pm Blood Drive 6:30pm Adult Study Class	5 Eve of Theophany 9:30am Royal Hours 6:00pm Vespers Liturgy	6 Theophany 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	7 St. John the Baptist 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy
8 Sunday after Epiphany 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy Parish Council Blessing 12:30 GOYA Meeting	9	10	11 6:30pm Adult Study Class	12 (TBD) Not-So-Young Adult Outing	13	14 4:00pm Chant Class 5:00pm Great Vespers
~ HOUSE BLESSINGS ~						
15 12th Sunday of Luke 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	16 MLK Day OFFICE CLOSED	17 St. Anthony	18 St. Athanasios & Cyril	19	20	21
22 15th Sunday of Luke 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	23	24	25 St. Gregory the Theologian 5:00pm 9th Hour + Divine Liturgy 6:30pm Adult Study Class	26 (TBD) Young Adult Outing	27	28 4:00pm Chant Class 5:00pm Great Vespers
~ HOUSE BLESSINGS ~		~ HOUSE BLESSINGS ~				
29 Sunday of the Canaanite 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	30 Three Hierarchs 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	31				
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			1 5:30pm Great Vespers 6:30pm Adult Study Class	2 Meeting of the Lord in Temple 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	3	4
5 Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee: Triodion Begins 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	6	7	8 FATHER THEODORE AT CLERGY MEETING @ DIAKONIA CENTER	9	10 St. Haralambos 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	11
12 Sunday of the Prodigal Son 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy 12:30pm GOYA Meeting	13	14	15 5:30pm Paraklesis 6:30pm Adult Study Class	16 5:00pm Vespers 6:00pm Divine Liturgy for St. Theodore	17 St. Theodore the Recruit	18 Saturday of Souls 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy & Memorial Service
19 Judgement Sunday (Meatfare Sunday) 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy	20 Presidents Day OFFICE CLOSED	21 (TBD) Young Adult Outing	22 5:30pm Great Vespers 6:30pm Adult Study Class	23 (TBD) Not-So-Young Adult Outing	24	25 Cheesefare Saturday 9:30am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy
26 Forgiveness Sunday 9:15am Orthros 10:30am Divine Liturgy 12:15pm Altar Boy / St. Photini Handmaiden Meetings 1:00pm Forgiveness Vespers	27 Beginning of Great Lent 6:00pm Great Compline	28				
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