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Five Year Memorial in Memory of Metropolitan Maximos Aghiorgoussis

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

This is a notice of a General Assembly for all members in good standing. We appreciate and urge your participation. Please note that Parish Council elections will also be held on this day.

A General Assembly will be conducted **Sunday, November 23, 2025** following Divine Liturgy. The tentative agenda for the meeting is:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Election of the Chairman of the Day
3. Approval of Past Minutes
4. Priest's Report
5. President's Report
6. Parish Council & Committee Elections
7. Review and Approval of 2026 Operating Budget
8. Festival Report
9. Other business from the floor
10. Closing prayer

HOMEBOUND/NURSING HOME PARISHIONERS

Below is a list of our Homebound/Nursing Home members. Drop them a card or note to let them know Holy Trinity and its members are thinking of them. They will appreciate it!

First	Last	Church	Facility	Address	City	State	Zip
Clara	Fakelis	ST H	Altercare of Nobles Pond	7006 Fulton Dr NW	Canton	OH	44718
Lisa	(Cotopolis) Ferencz	ST H	Bethany Nursing Home	626 - 34th St NW	Canton	OH	44709
Mary	Nash	HT	Bethany Nursing Home	626 - 34th St NW	Canton	OH	44709
George & Nikki	Marinakis	ST George	Laurels of Massillon	2000 Sherman Cir NE	Massillon	OH	44646
Georgia	Kirman	HT	McKinley Health Care Center	800 Market Ave N	Canton	OH	44702
Stacey	Pappakostas	ST H	Meadow Wind Health Care	300 23rd St NE	Massillon	OH	44646
Jim	Nash	HT	Rose Lane Nursing & Rehabilitation	5425 High Mill Ave NW	Massillon	OH	44646
Vanthia	Olmstead	ST H	The Danbury	181 Applegrove St NE Apt. 320	North Canton	OH	44720
Diane	Foradas	ST H	The Inn at Belden Village	3927 - 38th St NW	Canton	OH	44718
Anna	Kieselat	HT	The Inn at Belden Village	3927 - 38th St NW	Canton	OH	44718
Joann	Rath	HT	The Inn at Belden Village	3927 - 38th St NW	Canton	OH	44718
Bessie	Vlahos	ST H	The Inn at Belden Village	3927 - 38th St NW	Canton	OH	44718
Ann	Thomas	HT	The Inn at Whitewood Village	3146 Whitewood St NW Rm 106	North Canton	OH	44720
Stevie	Abraham	ST H	The Regency	4515 22nd St NW	Canton	OH	44708
Paula	Macris	ST H	The Regency	4515 22nd St NW	Canton	OH	44708
Betty	Tsangeos	ST H	Windsor Nursing Home	1454 East Maple St NW	North Canton	OH	44720
Barb	Amanatides	HT		299 Ainsworth Ave	Columbus	OH	43230
Kathryn	Costi	HT		7490 Ayrshire Ave NE	Canton	OH	44721
Esther	Cross	HT		1120 15th St NW Apt 207	Canton	OH	44703
Eleni	Fotiadis	HT		1875 Hollythorne Rd NE	Canton	OH	44721
Bertha	Macrides	HT		1454 New England Dr SE	North Canton	OH	44720
Jim	Margaritakis	HT		5659 Strausser St NW	N Canton	OH	44720

2025 Parish Council

Dan Speece, **President** • Denise Bellas, **Vice-President**
Diana Pittman, **Treasurer** • Lisa Georgiades, **Asst Treasurer**
Debbie Memmer, **Secretary** • Kathy Koufos, **Asst Secretary**

Nick Aslanides
Elaine Kontogianes
Chris Macrides
Eliana Monnot
Joe Ostrowske
Peter Pergins
Julie Sandru
Roula Stern
Evangeline Riegler

Organizations of Holy Trinity Church

Altar Boys - John Steed
Athletic Director - Chris Macrides
Care Ministry - John Bellas
Choir - Joyce Spanakis
Dance Troupe - Jimmy Amentas**, Sr. Dance**
Rachel & Nicole Israel, **Jr. Dance**
Daughters of Penelope - Joanna Volas**, President**
GOYA - Diana Kuty and Dee Dee Amentas
HOPE - Mary Ann Rundo
JOY - Marissa Giavasis and Elena Kandis and Georgia Mullaney
Koraes Ladies Society - Annamarie Spondyl**, President**
Men's Club - Phil Tsaftarides**, President**
Order of AHEPA Chapter 59 - John Karipides**, President**
Sunday School - Kelly Antoniades
Young At Heart Club - Karen Kotanides**, President**
Youth Director - Dina Grunder

2025 Committee Chairpersons

Bookstore - Diana Pittman
Bylaws - Diana Pittman
Catering - Lisa Georgiades
Church Operations - Denise Bellas
Eternal Light - Diana Pittman
Executive - Dan Speece
Finance - Diana Pittman
Fine Arts - Ellen Romeo/Kathy Koufos
Information Technology - Anthony Bacopoulos
Long Range Planning - Dan Speece
Maintenance - Tom Papadopoulos
Public Relations - Nick Spondyl
Scholarship - Nancy Greenbaum
Social Activities - Elaine Kontogianes
Stewardship - Chris Macrides
Youth & Education - Dina Grunder

From the desk of Fr. Nick...



My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



THIS IS THE DAY THAT THE LORD HAS MADE! LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT!

November 15 begins the Nativity Fast. Wait a minute… We are fasting? Again?!! What is this? Buckle up, because we need to hear this. If we are following the fasting days and periods of the Orthodox Church, we will be fasting for more than half of the year. That means that we are offering a sacrifice of food, and learning to curtail our consumption of meals on a daily basis more often than we are not.

I know that I speak about fasting often. And I know that there are many different types of fasts out there, including a few fasting rules where people just do whatever they have been told by their family members. But it is important that we get a bit of clarity on why fasting is so important in the Orthodox Church.

First of all, we need to acknowledge that Jesus, Himself, spoke of fasting. In the Gospel of Matthew, during His famous Sermon on the Mount (Chapters 5-7), He takes some time to speak about how we should appear to others when we fast. In that passage, starting in Matthew 6:16, He speaks about fasting as if it is assumed that everyone in His hearing was definitely fasting. He wasn't giving fasting rules, because they had already been given in the Old Testament. Rather, He was adding to the fast, by announcing that we shouldn't make a big deal about it to others. But, it is understood by the way He spoke that He assumed everyone was already fasting.

Secondly, fasting is important because we often fall into sin, not simply because of what we do, but often because of what we say. Words of lying, gossip, falsehood, anger, bitterness, grudges, hatred, jealousy or so many other things fly out of mouths without ever being checked first to see if these words will likely do more harm or good. If our mouth can produce such destructive pollution to someone else's ears, then we must work to control what comes out of it. But, how can we control what comes out of mouths, when we haven't gotten control over what goes into our mouths? Fasting offers the first step of control over our mouths, so that we master our mouths and our stomachs at the same time.

Thirdly, not all fasting periods are the same. Obviously, the Wednesday and Friday fast is the most common. But that is just one day. The austere nature of Great Lent, with its intense fasting and prayer regiment, is incredibly unique. There is no other fasting period built quite like Great Lent. But this upcoming fasting period is not like that. It is a lighter fast. For the first 36 days of the fast, it is a fish allowed fast, much like the Apostles Fast in June (if you don't know about that one, please ask me about it.) Then on the feast of St. Spyridon, Dec. 12, it goes for a two week stretch of strict fasting.

Because it is a lighter fast and because, in this country, many of our bishops have given us a fasting dispensation for the American celebration of Thanksgiving, it is easy to forget about this fast. But, when the church says that we should be fasting, we should be paying attention and abiding by the directive. I mean, every time the church says that we don't have to fast, I definitely pay attention to that. If I pay attention to the days when the church prohibits fasting (about 32 days throughout the year), then I should definitely be paying attention to the days when the church prescribes a fast.

The Prophet Joel, in his book, calls the people with these words: *"Sanctify a fast. Call a solemn assembly. Gather all the elders and all the people of the land into the house of the Lord your God, and cry out fervently to the Lord."* (Joel 1:14) Let us enter this Nativity Fast with great joy! Let us use this incredible time to allow God to enlighten and sanctify us! May we all have peace in our hearts and kindness on our lips at this wonderful time! *God bless you all!*

+Fr. Nicholas M. Halkias
Proistamenos

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



	Wedding Date	Years
Gust & Georgia Antoniades	11/16/1958	67
Dennis & Linda Ellenberger	11/22/1980	45
Andrew & Maryann Rundo	11/2/1985	40
Marvin & Fransaia Dietrich	11/30/1996	29
Jeffrey & Angela Dimos	11/1/1997	28
Chris & Dena Scrimo	11/21/1998	27
Steven & Maria Amanatides	11/14/2004	21
Todd & Pamela DeVore	11/11/2017	8
Andrew & Calista Welling	11/5/2022	3
Jonathan & Mary Gentsch	11/11/2023	2

Condolences

Gust Konstas, age 90, fell asleep in the Lord on September 18, 2025.

Damon Halkias, age 88, father of Father Nick, fell asleep in the Lord on September 24, 2025.



Peter Argyriou, age 65, fell asleep in the Lord on October 3, 2025.

May their memory be eternal!

THANK YOU

One project that has been put off for many years has finally been completed! The cleaning and organization of the festival trailer and basement beneath the social hall has been finished! This was a huge task and could not have been completed without the help of the following people:





Mary Papadopoulos
Tom Papadopoulos
Kostas Kalantzis
Johnny Grunder
Eugene Cazantzes
Jared Phillips
Paula Harrison
Annamarie Spondyl
Cody Myers
Alex Kuty
Dino Costi
Pete Papacostas & Stark Logistics & Storage

Many thanks for your time and hard work! *~Ellen Romeo*

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

		Month	Day
Bertha	Macrides	11	1
Victoria	Nohl	11	1
John J.	Papacostas	11	1
Caitlin	Dimos	11	2
Athena	Giavasis	11	2
Vasilios	Karnavas	11	2
Liam	Withrow	11	2
Al	Scrimo	11	4
Alexandra	Sibert	11	4
Linda	Ellenberger	11	5
Heather	Hatzarides	11	5
Anna	Wakely	11	5
Philip	Giavasis	11	6
Melissa	Pitinii	11	7
Tucker	Esmont	11	8
Allie	Hartnett	11	8
Betsy	Lazaris	11	8
Barbara	Lambrou	11	9
Heather	Stamoules	11	10
Dennis	Frame	11	11
Dallas	LeMay	11	11
Alexander	Linquist	11	11
Kosti	Eliades	11	12
Hannah	Eliades	11	12
Emmanuel	Gyparakis	11	12
Danielle	Pete	11	12
Anthony	Romano	11	12
Sara	Slates	11	12
Rocco	Bardawil	11	13
Peter	Pantelides	11	13
Madison	Vardavas	11	13
G. Anthony	Jordanides	11	14
Scott	Kazakis	11	14
Dino	Costi	11	15
Scott	Mullaney	11	15
John	Steed	11	15
Allison	Suarez	11	15
Zoe	Yatras	11	15
Christina	Fortune	11	16
Baker	Helmick	11	16
Isabella	Pete	11	16
Daniel	Speece	11	16
Christopher	Zantopulos	11	16
Jared	Phillips	11	17
Nicholas	Vardavas	11	17
Michael	Bardawil	11	18



Elias	Bardawil	11	18
Belle	Betscakos	11	18
Stacy	Lawson	11	18
Megan	Manolas	11	18
Gust	Petrakis	11	18
Efithia	Geniatakis	11	20
Sophia	Heropulos	11	20
Alayna	Linquist	11	20
Eftihia	Pantelidis	11	20
Noah	Schafrath	11	20
Sophia	Amanatides	11	21
Steve	Margaritakis	11	21
Gino	Tortora	11	22
Phillip	Tsaftarides	11	22
Georgia	Antoniades	11	23
Luca	Manolas	11	23
Thena	Pergins	11	23
Diana	Pittman	11	23
Lisa	Lambrou	11	24
Maria	Pierce	11	24
Tony	Betscakos	11	25
Ann	Cazantzes	11	25
Brian	Murphy	11	25
Kathleen	Murphy	11	25
Alex	Karaganides	11	26
Elena	Pergins	11	29
Nancy	Greenbaum	11	30
Sally	Rath	11	30



Message From DEACON MICHAEL ...



Growing spiritually through Liturgy. The public portion of Liturgy is divided into two main parts: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist, the highlight of the Liturgy of the Word is the reading of the Gospel. In reading we receive Christ Himself through the sense of hearing as in the Holy Communion we receive Him through the sense of taste. The reading from Holy Scripture and the Eucharist are both means by which we become partaker of the Divine Nature. The Gospel reading and the liturgical actions represent the end times, the Second coming of Christian glory. We prepare for this glorious coming in the Little Entrance where the altar servers and the Deacon and the Priest come from behind the iconostas with candles and the Deacon holds up the book of the Gospel and the Deacon chants: Wisdom Arise! Jesus Christ is the Wisdom of God Himself. Then the reading of the Epistle and the reading of the Gospel, hearing Jesus talking and teaching us about our salvation and the Kingdom of Heaven. At the beginning of the Anaphora or Eucharistic prayer the priest says: "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the Love of God the Father, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit, be with all of you." There is no greater gift on earth than the Divine Liturgy. The Divine Liturgy is the very heart and soul of the Body of Christ. It becomes very clear that the answer to every problem facing our sinful world is found in an increase of prayers most of all the Divine Liturgy. The Divine Liturgy is the exact image of the earthly life of the Saviour from Bethlehem where the Pure Virgin gave birth to the Lord, to the Jordan, to Gethsemane, to Golgotha, to Resurrection, to the Mount of Olives, everything is visible in the Liturgy. In the Liturgy, Jesus feeds us at His Supper. In the Divine Liturgy, we speak with God face to face, and offer Him thanksgiving for all He did and will do for His children. My family and I are wishing all of you a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving. May the blessings of the Lord be upon us always.

Deacon Michael

Deacon Michael

CATERING NEWS

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO EVERYONE!!!

Gobble Gobble



We are so thankful for our beautiful Holy Trinity Family! We are blessed forever!

We are blessed to have our community trust us! Thank you, Koraes Ladies, for having us prepare your meal for such an important event!

AND, HOW ABOUT THAT PERFORMANCE MELANIE AND HER BAND PUT ON FOR THE KORAES??!! WOWEEEE!! SUCH TALENT!!

Keep In Mind

If you want a “barn themed” event, we can accommodate! We can offer you burlap & lace table runners, silverware holders, and much more! BUT!!! We can also turn our event center into any bride’s dream! Elegance everywhere! Let us make suggestions!

We are multi-talented…let us know what your needs may be! Gourmet meals, BBQ’s, Indoor picnics, Fish meals, Casual buffet, breakfast or brunch buffet, or even a station party!

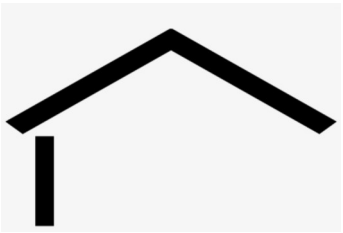
So thankful,

George & Paula
330 704-0752

Catering By George!

From Our Parish Council President

November is BIG Decision Time: Two General Assemblies Required!



We Need a New Roof: As you may know, insurance companies are always looking to reduce their "risk exposure" and have been demanding that residences and businesses regularly replace their roofs or face cancellation of their insurance policy. In our case, this would include our coverage for property (includes fire, lightning, explosion, windstorm or hail, smoke), vandalism; various liability issues, etc. We have been advised that the northern roof area needs replacement by May 2026. I discussed this with our insurance agent who advised us that all companies are doing this, and a new company would likely demand a roof inspection (and likely replacement) before issuing a policy. So there you have it.

This is an investment in our future to ensure that our Church remains structurally sound for our children, grandchildren and beyond. Also, our insurance agent, Chris Vallos, has agreed to attend barring any emergency, to answer technical questions about our policies.

On Sunday, November 9 we will conduct a Special General Assembly following Divine Liturgy to choose a qualified contractor to do this work. I have solicited bids from a number of companies and will present the findings to the Parish Council, and the board will make one or two recommendations based on "best value" to the Church (i.e., most bang for the buck). I will present an overview of all bids, including our recommended contractor(s). However, the general assembly will make the final decision. I hope to make this process as painless and as streamlined as possible. This will be the only item of business for this special general assembly. I anticipate work to commence early in 2026 in time for our insurance policy renewal.

On Sunday, November 23, we will conduct our usual General Assembly following Divine Liturgy for the purpose of electing members to the Parish Council and for various committees; review and approval of the 2026 budget, audit report, festival report and any new business from the floor.

I'm asking all members in good standing to please attend and participate – we have serious business to take care of. I will try to streamline the proceedings as much as possible and will be prepared to discuss options.

I thank you for your ongoing support and for keeping me on my toes!

Dan

Daniel J. Speece, RN, MSN
President

YOUNG AT HEART CLUB

NOVEMBER 2025
BLESSED / GRATEFUL / THANKFUL

Give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever.

Greetings to all and we wish all of you a very blessed and happy Thanksgiving with family and friends. During this time, let us not forget the unfortunate who do not have family or other such blessings that we all take for granted; therefore, I am asking that all of you remember to GIVE to Hope Ministry (our senior outreach program) who give the needy and homeless, food, clothing, and miscellaneous items. **Hope Outreach Ministry is located at 1530 Superior Avenue NE.** This ministry relies on donations from churches, food banks, businesses, and the public – Pastor Marilyn Roman founded program in 2010. LET'S ALL BE GENEROUS THIS YEAR!

When we generously give to others, we are giving to the LORD.

We are delighted and happy to have our very own, fun-loving, talented **Gus Athans** to entertain us with his deejaying and filling the room with music, laughter and possibly some dancing!

As in the past years, we typically send out a list of suggested food items you can bring for our Thanksgiving luncheon – which is free to you, **unless you do not bring a covered dish, you will need to pay the luncheon price of $8.00**. We are asking everyone to bring their favorite side dish that they share with their families {to feed 8 to 10 people}. Mostly casseroles, salads, vegetables, mashed potatoes/sweet potatoes, etc.) Thank you goes out to our Magnifico Chef Rob for preparing our turkey, dressing and gravy again this year! NO desserts – we are having cake & pumpkin pies.

THANK YOU to Sara & Don Slates for donating the pumpkin pies in memory of Sara's parents: Costi & Despina Eliades (may their memory be eternal).

REMINDER: There is no longer a combined Christmas party with St. Haralambos; this will now be our combined MAY luncheon. **IF** your 2026 dues are paid up – this lunch will be free.

We are now accepting dues for 2026 (still $15.00)

Please remember to call or text KAREN at 330-412-5504 before November 4 with your reservation.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE FEBRUARY 10, 2026



Melanie McCauley

HOLIDAY BOOKSTORE OPEN HOUSE

NOVEMBER 30, 2025

Stop in and see our unique selection of gifts for all ages!



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA & Holiday Pastry Sale

Saturday, December 6th 9 am - 12 pm

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
4705 Fairhaven Ave. NW, Canton 44709

Children (10 & under) $10.00 Adults (11 & up) - $15.00

(Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage, Bagels, Danish)

Fun activities for children!

Photos w/Santa – Cookie Decorating

Delicious Greek Pastry and Cookie Sale

GlenOak High School Drifters & Notables will be performing at 10:30 AM

Proceeds benefit Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

Pre-Sale tickets available on-line at htgoc.net and in church office (330) 494-8770

Sponsored by the Koraes Ladies Society
(Continental Breakfast and Deli Lunch provided)

St. John Chrysostom Annual Retreat

Saturday, November 15, 2025

Retreat Theme: Be Watchful - Be Sober
St. Paul's Wisdom for Spiritual Maturity

Speaker: Fr. Barnabas Powell



9:30 AM - Welcome & Breakfast	1:00 PM - Lunch
10:00 AM - Service of the 3rd Hour	2:00 PM - Session 3 (Wrap up - Q & A)
10:30 AM - Session 1 (with Q & A)	3:30 PM - Service of the 9th Hour
11:45 PM - Session 2 (with Q & A)	4:00 PM - Departure

Fr. Barnabas (Charles) Powell is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. Having been raised in a small Pentecostal church as a boy, Barnabas grew to love the church, enjoy the music, and eventually came to be the youth pastor of his home church. He graduated from an Evangelical Protestant school in Georgia, and went on to establish a new church in the Atlanta area. While pastoring, Barnabas also was heavily involved with Evangelical Christian media, radio, television, and print. A reading program in Church History and Theology would eventually lead him to enter the Orthodox Church in November of 2001. In 2007, Barnabas entered Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, MA. He graduated, he was ordained a deacon on November 8, 2009, and then he was made a priest at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral by His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios on Sunday March 8, 2010. He is now the proistamenos (senior pastor) of Sts. Raphael, Nicholas, and Irene Greek Orthodox Church in Cumming, GA.

Fr. Barnabas founded Faith Encouraged Ministries in 2014 and was the host of Faith Encouraged LIVE talk show on Ancient Faith Radio until January of 2019. Faith Encouraged Ministries continues to produce the Monday thru Friday Devotional called Faith Encouraged Daily. Fr. Barnabas published his first book "A Faith Encouraged" through Ancient Faith Publishing and also produced the 16 part video series called "A Journey to Fullness" to help parishes introduce the Faith to the average person. To date, over 200 parishes across the United States and Canada use the video series to serve their communities. Fr. Barnabas travels extensively across the country speaking at spiritual retreats, and sharing special presentations.

Fr. Barnabas is particularly motivated by the beauty and timelessness of our Orthodox Christian faith and strives to see this timeless faith put down deep roots here in America. The Orthodox Christian faith is uniquely suited to quench the spiritual thirst of Americans from all backgrounds with the depth and beauty of the Timeless Faith of the Apostles. Fr. Barnabas is married to the (former) Connie Demas, and they have two daughters, Alexandra and Katherine. For more information about Faith Encouraged Ministries go to FaithEncouraged.org.

RSVP to Holy Trinity's Church Office
330-494-8770 by November 10th

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

This year, Holy Trinity is delighted to participate in the Adopt-A-Family program once again, Layers of Hope, and the Mitten Tree.

The **Adopt-A-Family Program** helps to make the holidays special for some families that need assistance. Holy Trinity will be adopting 4 large families again to provide joy this Christmas season. Here is how it will work:

1. Pick a tag off of the tree
2. Purchase a gift that is listed on the tag (age and sex will be indicated)
3. Wrap your gift and attach the gift tag from the tree to the package
4. **ALL GIFTS must be into the church by Sunday, December 7th.**

PLEASE NOTE: ANY GIFTS RECEIVED AFTER DECEMBER 7TH CANNOT BE DELIVERED TO THE FAMILIES!

We are very pleased to partner with the REFUGE OF HOPE MINISTRIES located in Canton again this year under the name of **Layers of Hope, collecting new and gently used coats. Col**lection includes new coats, lightly used clean coats, sweatshirts, and jackets. The donation box is located under the coat racks in the main hallway. Let's fill this with lots of love!

We will again be providing **new hats, gloves, scarves, and mittens** to pass out to those in need. This tree will be found near the East Entrance for placement of these items beginning the week of November 1. We filled this tree with wonderful gifts last year and hope to help provide warm mittens, hats, gloves and scarves for all ages again this year. **All items must be on the mitten tree by December 10, 2025.**



Monetary Donations may also be made by check to A Community Christmas of Stark County Inc. and given to the Church Office. Thank you so much, Holy Trinity parishioners, for your generous support!

FINANCIAL MATTERS



Please have all 2025 Stewardship paid before December 31, 2025!

"God loves a cheerful giver"
2 Corinthians 9:7b

2025 OPERATING BUDGET**

As of September 30, 2025

Stewardship Received	$217,788.00
Other Income	$110,941.00
Total Income	$328,729.00
Total Expenses	$383,923.00
Deficit	($55,194.00)

***The daily cost to run our church is approximately $1,100 per day*

STEWARDSHIP 2026

Thank you, Good and Faithful Servants of God!

For 2026, let's continue our journey with God and have Stewardship fully sustain the Church's operating costs.

For the past 109 years, Holy Trinity Church has flourished under your devoted care. Your ongoing love and support will ensure that the light of Christ continues to shine brightly for the next 109 years in our Parish.

GOAL: Fully fund our church operations without outside funding at a total cost of $425,000 for 2026.



Stewardship 2026 Commitment Cards are due on Sunday, November 16 following liturgy at our Stewardship Luncheon.

HOLY TRINITY
Greek Orthodox Church
Canton, Ohio

GOYA NEWS

GOYA kicked off another exciting year! We started our year with a meeting electing officers for the 2025-2026 school year. ***Congratulations to this year's officers!***

Co-Presidents:
Alexandria Amentas
Nico Kuty

Co-Secretaries:
Kyra Halkias
Sophia Jordanides

Co-Vice Presidents:
Peter Cazantzes
Kosta Jordanides

Co-Treasurers:
Anthony Kaplanis, Jr.
Anthony Semertsidis

Sergeant of Arms:
Kate Cazantzes
Michael Papadopoulos



In September, we held our Annual Pizza Luncheon. Thank you to our Holy Trinity family for making it another BIG success! We hope you enjoyed your meal! Thanks to all of our GOYA families for setting up, preparing, making side dishes and cleaning up. A special thank you to Frances Pantelides and family for graciously donating the cake and fruit and to Mary Papadopoulos and family for donating the to go pizza boxes. Everyone's contributions in support of our GOYAns were greatly appreciated!

With love,

Diana Kuty and DeeDee Amentas

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

<u>Please note the following dates for items due for the holiday season:</u>



HOLIDAY PASTRIES: Order forms available by the Church Office and **due by Sunday, November 16.**



COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD: Forms are available by the Church Office and following Liturgy and are **due by Sunday, November 16**.



TSOUREKI BREAD: Order forms available by the Koraes Room and by the Church Office and **due by Monday, November 10**.



Poinsettias and Breakfast with Santa tickets are available now to purchase as well!

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS ARE NOVEMBER 23rd!



In conjunction with our General Assembly, elections for Parish Council will be held on November 23rd. Brief Bios will be posted on the bulletin board outside the Church Office as they become available. Thank you to those willing to serve on Parish Council and thank you to the committee of Nancy Greenbaum and Ellen Romeo and Steve Antoniades for all your dedicated work in finding this year's slate of officers.

HOLIDAY BAKING –

MEN AND WOMEN NEEDED!



ALL START TIMES ARE 9:30 AM!!

Monday, November 3	Kourambiethes
Monday, November 10	Fengarakia



16th Annual Holiday Pastry Sale Form

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Orders must be received no later than Sunday, November 16, 2025.

Please check your pick-up date at Holy Trinity….

☐ Saturday, December 6 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM @ Breakfast with Santa
☐ Sunday, December 7 from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM

*****Arrangements can be made for pick up of large orders totaling $200 or more*****

Item	Price	Qty.	Total
Baklava – Flaky delicate phyllo dough layered with walnuts and topped with our special syrup.	$15.00 half doz		
	$30.00 dozen		
Fengarakia – Moon crescent shaped dough filled with walnuts.	$15.00 half doz		
	$30.00 dozen		
Koulourakia – Buttery braided cookie, perfect for dunking!	$ 5.00 half doz		
	$10.00 dozen		
Kourambiethes – A rich buttery cookie topped with confectioner's sugar.	$ 9.00 half doz		
	$18.00 dozen		
Melomakarona – An aromatic cookie dipped in syrup and sprinkled with walnuts.	$ 9.00 half doz		
	$18.00 dozen		

~~ Assortment Trays – Great for Gifts or easy Holiday Entertaining ~~

Description	Price	Qty.	Total
5- Baklava, 5-Kourambiethes, 5-Melomakarona, 5-Fengarakia and 12 Koulourakia	$50.00/tray		
3 Baklava, 3 of each – Kourambiethes, Melomakarona, and Koulourakia, 2 – Fengarakia	$25.00/box		

Total Amount Due: $_____

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NOVEMBER 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Oct 26	27	28	29	30	31	Nov 1
Demetrios the Myrrh-Flowing 11:00 AM 40-Day Memorial - Gust Konstas 11:15 AM 40-Day Memorial & Coffee Hour - George Rafailedes, Jr. 11:15 AM Memorial & Coffee Hour - Anastas, Cazantzes & Klide families		Holy Protection of the Theotokos 8:30 AM Orthros 9:30 AM Liturgy 6:00 PM Ladies Exercise	Set up for wedding reception 11:00 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Paraklesis 7:00 PM Orthodoxy 101/201 Classes	Wedding & Reception - Church and Hall		
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Daylight Savings Time Ends 11:30 AM 10-Yr. Memorial & Coffee Hour - Nick Sandru 11:30 AM 3-Yr Memorial & Coffee Hour - Evelyn Kotanides 11:30 AM 40-Day Memorial & Coffee Hour - Damon Halkias 11:30 AM 5-Yr. Memorial - Metropolitan Maximos 1:30 PM Baptism	Baking - Kourambiethes 	6:00 PM Ladies Exercise	11:00 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Paraklesis 7:00 PM Orthodoxy 101/201 Classes	7:00 PM Koraes Board Meeting 7:30 PM Young Adult Basketball		Synaxius of the Archangels 8:30 AM Orthros 9:30 AM Liturgy
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Senior Citizens Memorial & Coffee Hour St. Nektarios Veterans Memorial 10:30 AM 40-Day Memorial - Peter Argyriou 11:00 AM SPECIAL General Assembly	9:30 AM Baking - Fengarakia 	12:00 PM Young at Heart Luncheon  6:00 PM Executive Board 6:00 PM Ladies Exercise	11:00 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Paraklesis	St. John Chrysostom 8:30 AM Orthros 9:30 AM Liturgy 7:30 PM Young Adult Basketball	Folk Dance Festival - Pittsburgh Feast Day Liturgy at St. Gregory Palamas Set up for Guest Speaker	Guest Speaker Event - Fr. Barnabas Koraes to Sponsor 
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
11:00 AM 30-Yr. Memorial - Mihali Stamatelopoulos 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Stewardship Luncheon 1:30 PM Baptism		6:00 PM Ladies Exercise 6:00 PM Parish Council	11:00 AM Bible Study 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Food Pantry  6:00 PM Paraklesis	7:30 PM Young Adult Basketball	GOYA Fall Retreat Entrance of the Theotokos 8:30 AM Orthros 9:30 AM Liturgy	Baking Tsoureki - Hall & Kitchen 
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
GOYA Fall Retreat 11:30 AM 1-Yr. Memorial & Coffee Hour - Clare Stasin and John Koufos 11:30 AM General Assembly 11:30 AM Parish Council Elections		Katherine the Great 8:30 AM Orthros 9:30 AM Liturgy 6:00 PM Ladies Exercise	11:00 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Paraklesis	OFFICE CLOSED Thanksgiving Day 		
30	Dec 1	2	3	4	5	6
Andrew the First Called Apostle 11:00 AM Bookstore Holiday Open House with Coffee Hour		6:00 PM Ladies Exercise	11:00 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Paraklesis	7:00 PM Koraes Board Meeting 7:30 PM Young Adult Basketball	Set Up for Breakfast with Santa St. Savas the Sanctified 8:30 AM Orthros 9:30 AM Liturgy	Holiday Pastry Sale 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Breakfast with Santa 9:00 AM St. Nicholas Day Services @ St. Haralambos - Orthros at 9AM followed by Liturgy

Be sure to check the weekly bulletin for any changes to these dates and times or the online calendar at www.htgoc.net, click on “Calendar of Events”.



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