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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 - ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 22 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ, 2024

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 1η ΛΟΥΚΑ – 1st SUNDAY OF LUKE



23 Σεπτεμβρίου

Άγιος Ιωάννης Πρόδρομος και Βαπτιστής (Σύλληψη): Έτσι προφήτευσε ο προφήτης Ησαΐας για τον Πρόδρομο του Κυρίου, Ιωάννη: «Φωνή βοῶντος ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ, ἐτοιμάσατε τὴν ὁδὸν Κυρίου, εὐθείας ποιεῖτε τὰς τρίβους αὐτοῦ». (Ησαΐας μ', 3). Δηλαδή, φωνή ανθρώπου, που φωνάζει στην ἐρημο και λέει: «Ετοιμάστε το δρόμο, απ' ὅπου θα ἐλθεῖ ο Κύριος σε σας. Κάνετε ἴσιους και ομαλούς τους δρόμους, ἀπό τους οποίους θα περάσει». Ξεριζώστε, δηλαδή, ἀπό τις ψυχές σας τα ἀγκάθια των ἀμαρτωλῶν παθῶν και ρίξτε μακριά τα λιθάρια του εγωισμοῦ και της πώρωσης και καθαρίστε με μετάνοια το εσωτερικό σας, για να δεχθεῖ τον Κύριο. Η φωνή αὐτή, που ἦταν ο Ιωάννης, γεννήθηκε με θαυμαστό τρόπο. Ο Πατέρας του Ζαχαρίας ἦταν Ιερέας. Τὴν ὥρα του θυμιάματος μέσα στο θυσιαστήριο, εἶδε ἄγγελο Κυρίου, που του ἀνήγγειλε, ὅτι θα ἀποκτούσε γιο και θα ονομαζόταν Ιωάννης. Ο Ζαχαρίας σκίρτησε ἀπό χαρά, ἀλλά δυσπίστησε. Η γυναίκα του ἦταν στεῖρα και γριά,

πῶς θα γινόταν αὐτό που ἀκούγε; Τότε ο ἄγγελος του εἶπε ὅτι για να τιμωρηθεῖ ἡ δυσπιστία του, μέχρι να πραγματοποιηθεῖ ἡ βουλή του Θεοῦ, αὐτός θα ἔμενε κωφάλαλος. Πράγματι, ἡ Ελισάβετ συνέλαβε, και μετὰ εννιά μήνες ἔκανε γιο. Μετὰ οκτῶ ἡμέρες, στην περιτομή του παιδιοῦ, οἱ συγγενεῖς θέλησαν να του δώσουν το ὄνομα του πατέρα του, Ζαχαρία. Ὅμως, ο Ζαχαρίας, ἔγραψε ἐπάνω σε πινακίδιο το ὄνομα Ιωάννης. Ἀμέσως δε, λύθηκε ἡ γλῶσσα του, και ἡ χαρά για ὅλους ἦταν μεγάλη.



Οσίες Ξανθίππη και Πολυξένη: Οἱ Οσίες Ξανθίππη και Πολυξένη ἦταν Ἰσπανίδες ἀδελφές και ἔζησαν στα μέσα του πρώτου αἰῶνα μετὰ Χριστόν, ὅταν Καῖσαρ ἦταν ο Κλαύδιος ο Α' (41-54 μ.Χ.). Η Ξανθίππη μαζί με το σύζυγο της Πρόβο, ἀρχοντος της χώρας, διδάχτηκε τὴν χριστιανική θρησκεία, και ἦλθε σ' αὐτή, ἀπό τον ἀπόστολο Παῦλο (βλ. Ρωμ. ιε', 28). Η Πολυξένη ἦταν παρθένος, προτοῦ δε λάβῃ το ἅγιο βάπτισμα, εἶχε ἀρπαγή ἀπό κάποιον ἄνδρα ἀσελγή, ἀλλά ἡ χάρις του Θεοῦ τὴν προστάτευσε και δεν του ἐπέτρεψε να τὴν διαφθεῖρη. Μεταβαίνοντας ἀπό τόπου εἰς τόπον ἀκούσε το κήρυγμα του ἀποστόλου Πέτρου και κατόπιν το κήρυγμα του ἀποστόλου Φιλίππου στην Ελλάδα. Τέλος, ἔγινε

μαθήτρια του ἀποστόλου Ἀνδρέα, ο οποίος τὴν ἐβάπτισε. Επανερχόμενη στην πατρίδα της, παρέλαβε μαζί της τον ἀπόστολο Ονήσιμο και τὴν συνοδοιπόρο των ταξιδιῶν της Ρεβέκκα, μαζί με τὴν οποία εἶχε βαπτισθῆ. Και οἱ δύο ἀδελφές, ἐργάστηκαν για τὴν χριστιανική πίστη και οδήγησαν σ' αὐτή πολλές γυναίκες. Πέθαναν και οἱ δύο εἰρηνικά σε προχωρημένη ἡλικία, χωρὶς να πάσουν μετὰ και τὴν τελευταία τους πνοή να στηρίζουν τις ἀσθενικές ψυχές στην χριστιανική ἐλπίδα.

*Ὡς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου Κύριε,
πάντα ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας.
Στίχ. Εὐλόγει ἡ ψυχὴ μου τὸν Κύριον.*

Πρὸς Κορινθίους α' 16:13-24 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, γρηγορεῖτε, στήκετε ἐν τῇ πίστει, ἀνδρίζεσθε, κραταιοῦσθε. Πάντα ὑμῶν ἐν ἀγάπῃ γινέσθω. Παρακαλῶ δὲ ὑμᾶς, ἀδελφοί - οἴδατε τὴν οἰκίαν Στεφανᾶ, ὅτι ἐστὶν ἀπαρχὴ τῆς Ἀχαΐας, καὶ εἰς διακονίαν τοῖς ἁγίοις ἔταξαν ἑαυτοὺς - ἵνα καὶ ὑμεῖς ὑποτάσσησθε τοῖς τοιούτοις, καὶ παντὶ τῷ συνεργοῦντι καὶ κοπιῶντι. Χαίρω δὲ ἐπὶ τῇ παρουσίᾳ Στεφανᾶ καὶ Φουρτουνάτου καὶ Ἀχαϊκοῦ, ὅτι τὸ ὑμῶν ὑστέρημα οὗτοι ἀνεπλήρωσαν. Ἀνέπαυσαν γὰρ τὸ ἐμὸν πνεῦμα καὶ τὸ ὑμῶν· ἐπιγινώσκετε οὖν τοὺς τοιούτους. Ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς αἱ ἐκκλησίαι τῆς Ἀσίας· ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς ἐν κυρίῳ πολλὰ Ἀκύλας καὶ Πρίσκιλλα, σὺν τῇ κατ' οἶκον αὐτῶν ἐκκλησίᾳ. Ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς οἱ ἀδελφοὶ πάντες. Ἀσπάσασθε ἀλλήλους ἐν φιλήματι ἁγίῳ. Ὁ ἀσπασμὸς τῆ ἐμῆ χειρὶ Παύλου. Εἴ τις οὐ φιλεῖ τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστόν, ἤτω ἀνάθεμα. Μαρὰν ἀθά. Ἡ χάρις τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ μεθ' ὑμῶν. Ἡ ἀγάπη μου μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Ἀμήν.

*O Lord, how manifold are your works.
You have made all things in wisdom.
Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Galatians 16:13-24

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicos, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If any one has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 5:1-11 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐστὼς ὁ Ἰησοῦς παρὰ τὴν λίμνην Γεννησαρέτ, καὶ εἶδε δύο πλοῖα ἐστῶτα παρὰ τὴν λίμνην· οἱ δὲ ἄλιεῖς ἀποβάντες ἀπ' αὐτῶν ἀπέπλυναν τὰ δίκτυα. ἔμβας δὲ εἰς ἐν τῶν πλοίων, ὃ ἦν τοῦ Σίμωνος, ἠρώτησεν αὐτὸν ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς ἐπαναγαγεῖν ὀλίγον· καὶ καθίσας ἐδίδασκεν ἐκ τοῦ πλοίου τοὺς ὄχλους. ὡς δὲ ἐπαύσατο λαλῶν, εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμονα· ἐπανάγαγε εἰς τὸ βάθος καὶ χαλάσατε τὰ δίκτυα ὑμῶν εἰς ἄγραν. καὶ ἀποκριθεὶς ὁ Σίμων εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἐπιστάτα, δι' ὅλης τῆς νυκτὸς κοπιάσαντες οὐδὲν ἐλάβομεν· ἐπὶ δὲ τῷ ῥήματί σου χαλάσω τὸ δίκτυον. καὶ τοῦτο ποιήσαντες συνέκλεισαν πλῆθος ἰχθύων πολὺ· διερρήγνυτο δὲ τὸ δίκτυον αὐτῶν. καὶ κατένευσαν τοῖς μετόχοις τοῖς ἐν τῷ ἐτέρῳ πλοίῳ τοῦ ἐλθόντος συλλαβέσθαι αὐτοῖς· καὶ ἦλθον καὶ ἔπλησαν ἀμφοτέρω τὰ πλοῖα, ὥστε βυθίζεσθαι αὐτά. ἰδὼν δὲ Σίμων Πέτρος προσέειπε τοῖς γόνασιν Ἰησοῦ λέγων· ἔξελθε ἀπ' ἐμοῦ, ὅτι ἀνὴρ ἁμαρτωλὸς εἰμι, Κύριε· θάμβος γὰρ περιέσχεν αὐτὸν καὶ πάντας τοὺς σὺν αὐτῷ ἐπὶ τῇ ἄγρᾳ τῶν ἰχθύων ἢ συνέλαβον, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ Ἰωάννην, υἱοὺς Ζεβεδαίου, οἳ ἦσαν κοινῶν τῷ Σίμωνι. καὶ εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμονα ὁ Ἰησοῦς· μὴ φοβοῦ· ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν ἀνθρώπους ἔσῃ ζωγρῶν. καὶ καταγαγόντες τὰ πλοῖα ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, ἀφέντες ἅπαντα ἠκολούθησαν αὐτῷ.

The Gospel According to Luke 5:1-11

At that time, as Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.



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ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΗ ΚΟΙΝΟΤΗΤΑ ΤΙΜΙΟΥ ΣΤΑΥΡΟΥ



SEPTEMBER 2024 - DIVINE SERVICES

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Beginning of The Ecclesiastical Year & Celebration of St. Mamas The Martyr
Orthros, Divine Liturgy & Agiasmos:
7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

**SUN. BEFORE THE EXALTATION
OF THE HOLY CROSS**

THE NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS

Orthros & Hierarchical Divine Liturgy officiated
by His Grace Bishop Nektarios of Diokleia
8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

**GREAT VESPERS FOR THE
ELEVATION OF THE PRECIOUS CROSS
& ARTOKLASIA**

7:00-9:00 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

**THE ELEVATION OF
THE PRECIOUS CROSS**

Orthros & Hierarchical Divine Liturgy officiated
by His Grace Bishop Nektarios of Diokleia
Artoklasia and Exaltation of the Holy Cross
8:00-11:30 a.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Sunday After The Exaltation Of The Holy Cross
Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

Feast of Saints Sophia, Faith, Hope & Love
Orthros & Divine Liturgy: 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

1st SUNDAY OF LUKE

Orthros & Divine Liturgy: 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

**Conception of St. John the Baptist &
Feast Of Saints Xanthippi & Polixeni**
Orthros & Divine Liturgy: 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

**The Falling Asleep of
Saint John the Theologian**
Orthros & Divine Liturgy: 8:00 - 10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

2nd SUNDAY OF LUKE

Orthros-Divine Liturgy: 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΣ 2024 – ΙΕΡΕΣ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ, 1 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

**Αρχή Εκκλησιαστικού Έτους & Εορτή του Αγίου
Μάμα του Μάρτυρος**
Ορθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία & Αγιασμός 7:30-10:30 π.μ.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ, 8 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

**ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΠΡΟ ΤΗΣ ΥΨΩΣΕΩΣ
ΤΟΥ ΤΙΜΙΟΥ ΣΤΑΥΡΟΥ**

ΓΕΝΕΘΛΙΟΝ ΤΗΣ ΥΠΕΡΑΓΙΑΣ ΘΕΟΤΟΚΟΥ

Ορθρος & Αρχιερατική Θεία Λειτουργία
προεξάρχοντος του Θεοφιλεστάτου Επισκόπου
Διοκλείας κ. Νεκταρίου 8:00-11:00 π.μ.

ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΗ, 13 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

**ΜΕΓΑΣ ΠΑΝΗΓΥΡΙΚΟΣ ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ ΤΟΥ
ΤΙΜΙΟΥ ΣΤΑΥΡΟΥ & ΑΡΤΟΚΛΑΣΙΑ**

7:00 - 9:00 μ.μ.

ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ 14 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

**Η ΠΑΓΚΟΣΜΙΑ ΥΨΩΣΙΣ
ΤΟΥ ΤΙΜΙΟΥ ΣΤΑΥΡΟΥ**

Ορθρος & Αρχιερατική Θεία Λειτουργία
προεξάρχοντος του Θεοφιλεστάτου Επισκόπου
Διοκλείας κ. Νεκταρίου Αρτοκλασία και τελετή της
Υψώσεως του Τιμίου Σταυρού
8:00-11:30π.μ.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ, 15 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

**Κυριακή Μετά την Ύψωσιν
του Τιμίου Σταυρού**

Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία 8:00-11:00 π.μ.

ΤΡΙΤΗ, 17 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

Αγίων Σοφίας, Πίστεως, Ελπίδος & Αγάπης
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία: 8:00-10:00 π.μ.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ, 22 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 1η ΛΟΥΚΑ

Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία: 8:00-11:00 π.μ.

ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ, 23 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

**Σύλληψις του Τιμίου Προδρόμου
& Αγίων Ξανθίππης & Πολυξένης**
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία: 8:00-10:00 π.μ.

ΠΕΜΠΤΗ, 26 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

**Μετάστασις Αποστόλου & Ευαγγελιστού Ιωάννου
του Θεολόγου**

Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία: 8:00-10:00 π.μ.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ, 29 ΣΕΠΤΕΜΒΡΙΟΥ

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 2^α ΛΟΥΚΑ

Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία: 8:00-11:00 π.μ.

TRADITIONAL GREEK DANCE CLASSES

JOIN THE HOLY CROSS DANCE TROUPE

Journey to Greece and learn several of the country's most beloved folk dances. Historic and cultural significance of the dances will also be discussed.

\$250 per semester (Sept-Jan/Jan-June)
\$225 for each additional sibling

Classes are scheduled to begin on Saturday, October 5, 2024.
Registration may be completed via the Realm portal.

<https://onrealm.org/hcgooc/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=MWFIMWE3MzgtZDg3YS00NThiLThtODctYjFIMzAxMTFIYTRI>



SATURDAYS

Ages 7-9	9am-10am
Ages 10-12	10am-11am
Ages 13-17	11am-12pm



Classes and times are tentative and will be finalized based on registration.

BEGINNING
SEPTEMBER 23RD

PLEASE CONTACT
THE CHURCH
OFFICE IF YOU
HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS

Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church

mommy & me



MONDAYS & FRIDAYS
TIME: 9:00AM-10:00AM
AGES: 36 MONTHS AND UNDER
COST: \$320/16 SESSIONS
\$160/ 8 SESSIONS
\$40/ 2 SESSIONS

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PLACE IN OUR
SCHOOL GYM

enjoy one on one time playing and socializing with your infant or toddler in a safe and structured environment



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PLEASE JOIN US AT PARAMITHI NIGHT



FRIDAY - OCTOBER 4TH AT 5:50 PM-6:30 PM

We look forward to an enchanting evening of Greek stories and having fun with Mrs. Kalliopi K. and our students!

(FOR K-3RD GRADE)

AT HOLY CROSS GREEK AFTERNOON SCHOOL WHITESTONE



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**HOLY CROSS
WHITESTONE**

"HOPE" MINISTRY COMING THIS SEPTEMBER

**THE HELLENIC ORTHODOX PRIMARY
ENRICHMENT ("HOPE") FOR AGES 4-6 YEARS**

HOPE will give the children the opportunity to learn about their faith, their church and take part in various religious and social activities throughout the year.

**First Meeting
will take place
October 25th
at 4:30pm
in our
church hall**



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Greek Afternoon School
Registration is Now Open



The Greek Afternoon School is pleased to announce that registration for the 2024-2025 academic year is now open on our new online platform.

Our new online community tool will allow you to register for all future youth and community events starting September 2024.



Visit us at

www.holycrossgreekchurch.com/gasr

for instructions on how to register!

HOLY CROSS WHITESTONE

PRESENTS



**GOYA
KICK OFF
PARTY**

DJ GUS BALLAS

\$30

GOYA MEMBERS ONLY

27 SEPTEMBER 2024

7:30 - 11:00 PM

HOLY CROSS GYM

12-03 150th St Whitestone, New York



FOOD & DRINKS INCLUDED

NO OUTSIDE BEVERAGES - BAGS WILL BE INSPECTED



Sunday, September 22, 2024

MEMORIALS—ΜΝΗΜΟΣΥΝΑ



- + Popie Dakis / Πόπη Δάκης, 6 μήνες
- + Ioannis Fiotodimitrakis / Ιωάννης Φιωτοδημητράκης, 3 χρόνια
- + Elias Soulantzos / Ηλίας Σουλάντζος, 5 χρόνια
- + Iosif Isaakidis / Ιωσήφ Ισαακίδης, πολυετές
- + Dionysios Eliades / Διονύσιος Ηλιάδης, πολυετές

**Please inform the church office at least one week in advance
for memorial services and kolliva.**

Σας παρακαλούμε να κάνετε έγκαιρα τις παραγγελίες σας
για τα κόλλυβα τουλάχιστον μία εβδομάδα νωρίτερα
για να μπορούμε να σας εξυπηρετούμε
με τον καλύτερο δυνατό τρόπο.



ΑΡΤΟΚΛΑΣΙΑ

Μπορείτε να παραγγείλετε έγκαιρα
την αρτοκλασία σας
από το Γραφείο της Κοινότητας
Donation: \$80.00 συμπεριλαμβάνει το
NAMA και το ελαιόλαδο



Save the Date

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2024

ARCHBISHOP ELPIDOPHOROS OF AMERICA
NAMEDAY GALA
 BENEFITING THE ARCHDIOCESAN
 YOUTH SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIP FUND

5:00 PM | TERRACE ON THE PARK, 52-11 111TH ST, QUEENS, NY
GOARCH.ORG/NAMEDAY



Archbishop's Nameday Gala Returns on November 17 to Support Youth Summer Camp Scholarship Fund

The re-established Archbishop's Nameday Gala, honoring His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, will take place on November 17 at Terrace on the Park in Queens, New York. Now in its second year, the gala will once again raise critical funds for the "Archdiocesan Youth Summer Camp Scholarship Fund", which provides financial assistance to children from across the Archdiocese, enabling them to attend Greek Orthodox summer camps regardless of their financial circumstances.

In 2023, through the generosity of our donors, the Archbishop Elpidophoros of America Nameday Gala netted \$430,000 for the Archdiocesan Youth Summer Camp Scholarship Fund. Those funds, allocated by a Grants Committee, were distributed as follows:

- \$100,000 for Ionian Village scholarships
- \$20,000 to each Metropolis to provide scholarships for their summer camping ministry
- \$150,000 to launch an endowment scholarship fund for future campers.

In total, 275 youth campers were able to attend one of our camps in 2024 through the financial assistance of \$213,000 provided by the Fund.

Last year's success helped children from every corner of the Archdiocese experience the transformative power of faith, fellowship, and nature at camp. This year, Archbishop Elpidophoros calls on the faithful to help expand this effort: "There are people in need, and families who can't afford the transformative impact of a Greek Orthodox summer camp. We must make these lasting and life changing experiences at our camps financially accessible to every child who wishes to attend."

Proceeds from the gala will directly support the scholarship fund, ensuring that even more children can benefit from the spiritual growth and lifelong friendships fostered in the camp environment. Attendees will celebrate His Eminence's Nameday while contributing to a cause that enriches the lives of the youth in our Archdiocese. Tickets and sponsorship opportunities will be available in the coming weeks. For more information, or to make a donation, please visit www.goarch.org/nameday

BIBLE STUDY



HOLY CROSS GREEK
ORTHODOX CHURCH

11-05 150th Street
Whitestone, NY 11357

EVERY
TUESDAY

7:00-8:00PM

CHURCH
HALL

Beginning
October 1st, 2024



HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

WHITESTONE, NY



Beginning October 3rd, 2024

Paraklesis to the Theotokos

Every Thursday 11 am
followed by coffee with Fr. Nicholas
in our church hall

Παράκληση της Παναγίας

Κάθε Πέμπτη 11 πμ
& καφέ με τον π. Νικόλαο στην αίθουσα
του Ναού αμέσως μετά



Holy Cross Stars Academy

Where Every Child Shines

Preschool Registration for our 2024-2025 school year is now open!

All children born in 2020, 2021 and 2022 are eligible to register.

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