

SAINTHOOD IS WITHIN OUR GRASP!

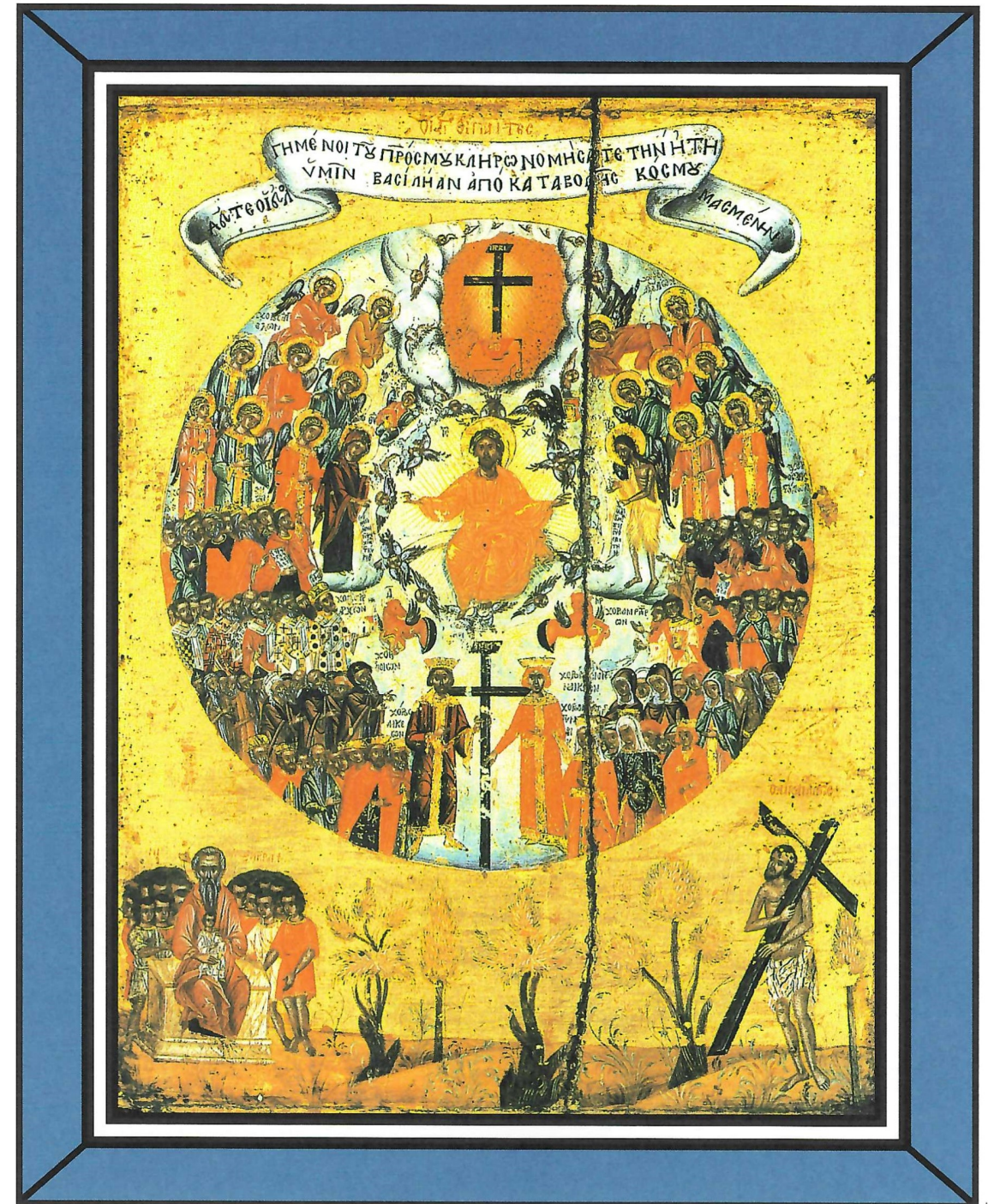
Would you like to be a saint? "I would love to," we would say, "but it's impossible." All of us tend to view saints as being people with god-like characteristics and super-human spiritual qualities. In reality, EVERY ONE of God's saints was EXACTLY like us! They were "mere mortals" dealing with the same doubts, fears and temptations that we all must face as we travel down life's rugged road.

Throughout the centuries, countless individuals have distinguished themselves spiritually to such a degree that they will be forever remembered and eternally commemorated by the Church as "SAINTS." The Church, however, wisely realizes that there are scores of others, whose names are known but to God, who are equally deserving of recognition and praise. For this reason, our Church annually sets aside the Sunday after Pentecost and designates it as the SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS.

The liturgical readings prescribed for this Sunday are a written testimony of what some of the prerequisites for sainthood are. St. Paul speaks to the Hebrews about the inner strength and resolve that the saints possessed, which enabled them to endure "... trials of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment." Truly the sufferings of Christians continue to be the foundation of the Church to this present day! In today's Gospel lesson, our Lord reminds us that "... everyone who has left houses or brother's or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands for My Name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life."

There, then, are our guidelines for achieving sainthood! All we have to do is be willing to sacrifice ALL for the sake of Christ, and be willing to remain faithful and loyal to Him AT ALL COST! Certainly, this is no simple matter, but it is far from being impossible.

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ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

June 15, 2025

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS

Orthros 9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy immediately following the Orthros.

JUNE SCHEDULE

SUN JUNE 15 †Sunday of All Saints 9:00 a.m.
TUE JUNE 17 Silver Liners Luncheon 11:30 a.m.
SUN JUNE 22 †2nd Sunday of Matthew 9:00 a.m.
SUN JUNE 29 †Sts. Peter & Paul The Apostles 9:00 a.m.

JULY SCHEDULE

SUN JULY 6 †4th Sunday of Matthew 9:00 a.m.
SUN JULY 13 †Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council 9:00 a.m.
WED JULY 16 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.
SUN JULY 20 †6th Sunday of Matthew 9:00 a.m.
SUN JULY 27 †7th Sunday of Matthew 9:00 a.m.

AUGUST SCHEDULE

FRI AUG 1 †Paraklesis Services 6:30 p.m.
SUN AUG 3 †8th Sunday of Matthew 9:00 a.m.
MON AUG 4 †Paraklesis Services 6:30 p.m.



MEMORIAL ~ JUNE 10, 2025

6yr Memorial: Zacharias McCullough



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE June 15, 2025 ~ TEAM D

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This past year's Greek School Director Mrs. Eleni Paxos and her staff and teachers have been able to continue in excellence to provide a Greek Education learning and Greek Cultural Program to our students and parish of Saint Haralambos. We very much appreciate this most generous, kind, and thoughtful donation from AHEPA. And we pray that God continues to bless the AHEPA family's educational, cultural, and philanthropic progress for years to come.

SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 2025 MEMORIAL

30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FALLING ASLEEP OF HIS GRACE BISHOP GERASIMOS OF ABYDOS

Thursday, June 12, 2025 marks the 30th anniversary of the falling asleep of [His Grace Bishop Gerasimos of Abydos](#) of thrice-blessed memory. A theologian and scholar who exuded Christ's love and mercy, Bishop Gerasimos is remembered by many as a Geronta, teacher, and mentor to the students who encountered him on the Hellenic College & Holy Cross campus in Brookline over the last 18 years of his life.

The Orthodox of Pittsburgh and this tri-state area remember as fondly his impactful decade as the Bishop of the 6th Archdiocesan District, which became this sacred Metropolis. His time was marked by great growth in our parishes, the flowering of spiritual life, numerous ordinations and consecrations, and by his personal and charismatic ministry to the people. His impact was felt by generations, and many today still lovingly remember their prayerful encounters with him.

To mark the occasion with appropriate solemnity considering his impact on this sacred Metropolis, I am directing all parishes to celebrate a **Memorial with Kolyva** in his memory on **Sunday, June 15, 2025** (the Feast of All Saints, and Father's Day on the secular calendar), which this year is the closest Sunday to the date of his repose. May he continue to intercede on behalf of his flock before the Altar of the Lord!

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SAVE THE DATES FOR 2026



June 4, 5 & 6

June 15, 2025: FEAST: Sunday of All Saints (End of the Movable Season); Amos the Prophet (750 B.C.); Achaikos, Stephanas, and Furtunatos, of the 70 Apostles; Righteous Jerome; Augustine, Bishop of Hippo (+430); Righteous Hieronymus.

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Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον Ἦχος πλ. δ΄
Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσῃς
τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Τῶν Ἀγίων Ἦχος δ΄
Τῶν ἐν ὄλῳ τῷ κόσμῳ Μαρτύρων σου, ὡς πορφύραν καὶ βύσσον τὰ αἵματα, ἡ Ἐκκλησία
σου στολισαμένη, δι’ αὐτῶν βοᾷ σοι· Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, τῷ λαῷ σου τοὺς οἰκτιρμούς σου
κατάπεμπον, εἰρήνην τῇ πολιτείᾳ σου δώρησαι, καὶ ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος

Τοῦ Ναοῦ
Ὡς στῦλος ἀκλόνητος, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας Χριστοῦ, καὶ λύχνος ἀείφωτος, τῆς οἰκουμένης
σοφέ, ἐδείχθης **Χαράλαμπες**· ἔλαμψας ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, διὰ τοῦ μαρτυρίου. ἔλυσας καὶ
εἰδώλων τὴν σκοτόμαιναν μάκαρ· διὸ ἐν παρρησίᾳ Χριστῷ. Πρέσβευε σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Κοντάκιον Ἦχος πλ. δ΄
Ὡς ἀπαρχὰς τῆς φύσεως, τῷ φυτουργῷ τῆς κτίσεως, ἡ οἰκουμένη προσφέρει σοι Κύριε,
τοὺς θεοφόρους Μάρτυρας· ταῖς αὐτῶν ἱκεσίαις, ἐν εἰρήνῃ βαθεῖα, τὴν Ἐκκλησίαν σου, διὰ
τῆς Θεοτόκου συντήρησον, πολυέλεε.

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Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode pl. 4
You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and consented to a three-day burial,
to free us from the passions. O Lord, our life and resurrection, glory to You!

For the Saints Mode 4
Your Church is arrayed in the holy blood of Your Martyrs who witnessed throughout the
world, as though in purple and fine linen. Through them she cries to You, Christ our
God, “Send down to Your people Your tender love, grant peace from above to Your
commonwealth, and to our souls Your great mercy.”

Hymn of the Church
As a pillar unshaken of Christ’s holy Church, and lamp ever-burning to all the world you
emerged, O wise Haralambos; in all the world you shined, with the martyrdom you
suffered, you dispelled the dark night, of the idols, O blessed; whence, with courage do
intercede, to Christ that we may be saved.

Kontakion Mode pl. 4
O Planter of creation, Lord, to You does the entire world bring as an offering the God-
bearing martyr Saints, as being nature’s first fruits. At their earnest entreaties, keep Your
Church in a state of profoundest peace, through the Theotokos, O Lord abundantly
merciful.

June 15, 2025 First Sunday, of All Saints
Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2



Epistle

The reading is from Paul’s Letter to the Hebrews.

Brethren, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated — of whom the world was not worthy — wandering over deserts and mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin that easily distracts, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

June 15, 2025 Prayer of the Gospel
Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30



Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

The Lord said to his disciples, “Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me.” Peter said in reply, “Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name’s sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first.”