

St. Thomas the Apostle

Poor Thomas! He made one remark and has been branded as “Doubting Thomas” ever since. But if he doubted, he also believed. He made what is certainly the most explicit statement of faith in the New Testament: “My Lord and My God!” (see John 20:24-28) and, in so expressing his faith, gave Christians a prayer that will be said till the end of time. He also occasioned a compliment from Jesus to all later Christians: “Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed” (John 20:29).

Thomas should be equally well known for his courage. Perhaps what he said was impetuous – since he ran, like the rest, at the showdown – but he can scarcely have been insincere when he expressed his willingness to die with Jesus. The occasion was when Jesus proposed to go to

Bethany after Lazarus had died. Since Bethany was near Jerusalem, this meant walking into the very midst of His enemies and to almost certain death. Realizing this, Thomas said to the other apostles, “Let us also go to die with him” (John 11:16b).

Thomas shares the lot of Peter the impetuous, James and John, the “sons of thunder,” Philip and his foolish request to see the Father – indeed all the apostles in their weakness and lack of understanding. We must not exaggerate these facts, however, for Christ did not pick worthless men. But their human weakness again points up the fact that holiness is a gift of God, not a human creation; it is given to ordinary men and women with weaknesses; it is God who gradually transforms the weaknesses into the image of Christ, the courageous, trusting and loving one.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LUKE



Icon of the Holy Apostle Thomas -- October 6th

ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

October 5, 2025

2ND SUNDAY OF LUKE

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

OCTOBER

SUN OCT 5	†2nd Sunday of Luke	9:00 a.m.
	Choir Appreciation Day	
MON OCT 6	Philoptochos Board Meeting	5:30 p.m.
	Philoptochos Meeting	6:00 p.m.
TUE OCT 7	Silver Liners' Board Meeting	10:00 a.m.
	Greek School	5:30 p.m.
WED OCT 8	Choir Practice	6:00 p.m.
THU OCT 9	Hellenic Beginner Dancers	4:20 p.m.
	Hellenic Intermediate Dancers	5:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Training Seniors Dancers	5:45 p.m.
	Hellenic Senior Dancers	6:00 p.m.
SUN OCT 12	†Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council	9:00 a.m.
	GOYA Meeting	
	Joy's Fall Festival	
	Jr. GOYA Trunk-or-Treat	
TUE OCT 14	Greek School	5:30 p.m.
WED OCT 15	Parish Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
THU OCT 16	Hellenic Beginner Dancers	4:20 p.m.
	Hellenic Intermediate Dancers	5:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Training Seniors Dancers	5:45 p.m.
	Hellenic Senior Dancers	6:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Dancers & Parents Mtg.	7:00 p.m.
SAT OCT 18	Philoptochos Wine, Dine & Dance	5:00 p.m.
SUN OCT 19	†3rd Sunday of Luke	9:00 a.m.
	Youth Sunday	
	Dancers' Installation of Officers	
TUE OCT 21	Silver Liners' Luncheon	11:30 a.m.
	Father Nick's Bible Study	3:30 p.m.
	Greek School	5:30 p.m.
WED OCT 22	Choir Rehearsal	6:00 p.m.
THU OCT 23	Hellenic Beginner Dancers	4:20 p.m.
	Hellenic Intermediate Dancers	5:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Training Seniors Dancers	5:45 p.m.
	Hellenic Senior Dancers	6:00 p.m.
SUN OCT 26	†Feastday of St. Demetrios	9:00 a.m.
	Godparent Sunday	
	Godparent Sunday Breakfast	



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE

October 5, 2025

TEAM B

NATIONAL CHURCH MUSIC SUNDAY



We designate the Feast Day of St. Romanos the Melodist as National Church Music Sunday.

On this day, we honor our priest, our chanters and our choirs. We thank them for their many years of dedicated service to our parish.

Please join the Parish Council in the Tri-Room for the fellowship hour honoring our church musicians.

PETITION FOR PARISH COUNCIL CANDIDATE

Any parishioner in canonical and financial good-standing with the Church may submit a petition to be entered on the ballot.

Please submit your petition to the Board of Elections Committee or to the church office on or before: **Sunday, October 26, 2025, 12:00 NOON, THE FIRM DEADLINE.**

Please submit your petition by using the form found in the Sept./ Oct. KOINONIA.



JOY's FALL FESTIVAL & PUMPKIN PATCH

AND

JR. GOYA'S TRUNK-OR-TREAT!



All Are Welcome At The JOY Fall Festival, Pumpkin Patch and Jr. GOYA Trunk-or-Treat event!

October 12th on the Back Lawn and Parking Lot.

Pick your favorite pumpkins while they last, visit the trunks to collect treats and enjoy refreshments and games too!

SAINT HARALAMBOS CHURCH



2025 CHRISTMAS CARD PROJECT

Our St. Haralambos Silver Liners will once again sponsor our Church Christmas Card Project. Parishioners and friends wishing to have their names included in the Christmas Card should mail their donation to the CHURCH OFFICE. Names will appear as previously printed, unless there is an addition or omission.

For any questions, please contact:

Mary Griveas ~ 330-268-9069

Cindi Koskovich ~ 330-265-1673

Donation - \$20 per family.

Deadline: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2025

SAVE THE DATE!

WINE, DINE, & DANCE GLENDI

OCTOBER 18, 2025

Hors d'oeuvres @ 5:00 p.m.

Dinner @ 6:00 p.m.

Tickets: Adult \$50 ~ Youth \$30

Call: Tina Wey 330-414-2912

Carol Capocci 330-412-0022

Barb Lambrou 330-418-1034

Stephanie Machamer 330-704-8558 or the Church office 330-454-7278.

Tickets for this event will be sold in the lobby after church services.

The St. Haralambos Hellenic Dancers
invite everyone to

Godparents Sunday BREAKFAST

A Celebration of Godparents and Godchildren

OCTOBER 26, 2025



IMMEDIATELY AFTER LITURGY

Krassas Event Center

251 25th Street, NW | Canton, Ohio



\$10 per person

Menu: Eggs, Sausage, Potatoes,
Pancakes, Breakfast Breads, Fruit,
Coffee & Juice



Reservations are required by October 23 and can be made
by scanning the QR Code or by texting
Georgia Paxos (330) 933-7596

CHRISTMAS AT THE PALACE

A Choral Presentation by Vocal Fusion



Friday, December 12, 2025

You are invited to join the St. Haralambos Silver Liners for dinner and an a cappella choral presentation featuring our own **Christian Kellamis**.

5:00 PM: We meet at the **Canton Woman's Club**, decorated for the holidays, located at 822 Market Avenue North.

Dinner Featuring: Italian Wedding Soup, Sticky Bun, Chicken Puff Bundles, Cheesy Potato Casserole, and Red Velvet Cake.

Free Parking at the Woman's Club from where we will walk to the theater.

7:30 PM: **Vocal Fusion** Presentation at the **Palace Theater**.

The performance concludes around 9:30 PM

COST: \$58.00. Includes dinner and theater admission.

PAYMENT DUE BY: October 21, 2025

Make Checks Payable to:
St Haralambos Silver Liners

For Questions Call:
Kathy Dieringer: 330-265-3876



St. Haralambos Philoptochos Meeting

Monday, October 6, 2025



St. Haralambos Tri-Room

Board Meeting: 5:30 pm

General Meeting: 6:00 pm

Refreshments will be served

JR GOYA FRAPPE FUNDRAISER

OCTOBER 12, 2025

DURING COFFEE HOUR!

\$5.00 FRAPPE



BIBLE STUDY WITH FATHER NICK

OCTOBER 21 ~ 3:30 - 4:30 P.M.
TRI-ROOM

ST. HARALAMBO'S FISH FRY
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

4:00PM - 6:30PM

October 3, 2025	Drive Thru Only
November 7, 2025	Drive Thru Only
December 5, 2025	Drive Thru Only
January 30, 2026	Drive Thru Only
February 20, 2026	Dine-in and Drive Thru
March 20, 2026	Dine-in and Drive Thru

For menus, ordering and information visit
www.CantonGreekFishFry.com

THE ORDER OF AHEPA CANTON CHAPTER 59 Annual Reverse Raffle Night at the Races – Casino Night Grand Prize \$3000.00

Raintree Golf & Event Center
4350 Mayfair Road, Uniontown, OH 44685
Thursday, October 30, 2025

Appetizers & Open Bar
(Domestic Beer & Wine) 6:00 PM–7:00 PM
Buffet Dinner 7:00 PM

Donation \$125.00 - Extra Dinner \$50.00
Sponsor a Race \$100.00 –Name a Horse \$10.00

For tickets contact:
Mike Lawson 330 685-7343
John Karipides 330 283-0113
Or any Chapter member

Koraes Ladies Society Presents

A Tribute to Legends

Featuring Melanie, Michael & The
MJB Orchestra with Special Guests!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025

TICKETS \$65.00

Call Betty (330) 705-5181
or
Annamarie (330) 209-8372

5:30 PM - Cocktail Hour

6:30 PM - Dinner

7:30 PM - Show followed by Silent Auction

Holy Trinity Cultural Center

4705 Fairhaven Avenue NW

Canton, OH 44709



ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ANNUAL RETREAT

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025
Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

Speaker: Fr. Barnabas Powell
Theme: Be Watchful-Be Sober
9:30 a.m. ~ Welcome & Breakfast
10:00 a.m. ~ Service of the 3rd Hour
10:30 a.m. ~ Session 1
11:45 a.m. ~ Session 2
1:00 p.m. ~ Lunch
2:00 p.m. ~ Session 3 ~ Wrap Up
3:30 p.m. ~ Service of the 9th Hour
4:00 p.m. ~ Departure

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

Sponsored by the Koraes Ladies Society

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Android (non-apple) phone- use QR code scanner if already installed or go to Google Play Store and download.

Either option will take you directly to our donation website for your donation to St. Haralambos Church.

[Make a Donation \(tithe.ly\)](http://tithe.ly)

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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.

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 παρρησία Χριστῷ. Πρέσβευε σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Κοντάκιον Ἦχος β΄
Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ
παρίδης, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν,
τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ
προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

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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!

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 2
O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails,
we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore
you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession,
and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

October 5, 2025 Seventeenth Sunday

2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1



Epistle

The reading is from Paul’s Second Letter to the Corinthians.

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, “I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.” Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

October 5, 2025 Prayer of the Gospel

Luke 6:31-36



Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

The Lord said, “And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, despairing of no man; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”