

The Cross, Our Victory

Have you seen the wonderful victory? Have you seen the splendid deeds of the Cross? ... Who can tell the Lord's mighty deeds? By death we were made immortal: these are the glorious deeds of the Cross.

Have you understood the victory? Have you grasped how it was wrought? Learn now, how this victory was gained without any sweat or toil of ours. No weapons of ours were stained with blood; our feet did not stand in the front line of battle; we suffered no wounds; witnessed no tumults; and yet we obtained the victory.

The battle was the Lord's, the crown is ours. Since then victory is ours, let us imitate the soldiers, and with joyful voices sing the songs of victory.

Let us praise the Lord and say, "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?"

The Cross did all these wonderful things for us: the Cross is a war memorial erected against the demons, a sword against sin, the sword with which Christ slew the serpent.

The Cross is the Father's will, the glory of the Only-begotten, the Spirit's exultation, the beauty of the angels, the guardian of the Church. Paul glories in the Cross; it is the rampart of the saints, it is the light of the whole world.

St. John Chrysostom

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY CROSS



Icon of the Sunday of the Holy Cross

ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

March 15, 2026

VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

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

MARCH

SUN MAR 15	†Veneration of the Holy Cross GOYA Meeting	9:00 a.m.
MON MAR 16	†Great Compline	6:00 p.m.
TUE MAR 17	Silver Liners' Luncheon Father Nick's Bible Study	11:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
	Greek School	5:30 p.m.
WED MAR 18	†Pre-Sanctified Liturgy @ St. George Antiochian Choir Rehearsal	6:30 p.m. 5:45 p.m.
	Greek Fest Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.
THU MAR 19	Hellenic Beginner Dancers Hellenic Intermediate Dancers Hellenic Training Seniors Dancers Hellenic Senior Dancers	4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:45 p.m. 6:15 p.m.
FRI MAR 20	Fish Fry (Dine-In & Drive Thru) †Fourth Salutations	4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
SUN MAR 22	†St. John of Climacus Greek School Program	9:00 a.m.
MON MAR 23	†Great Compline	6:00 p.m.
TUE MAR 24	†Great Vespers Annunciation of the Theotokos Orthodox Book Study	6:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.
	Greek School	5:30 p.m.
WED MAR 25	†Annunciation of the Theotokos	9:00 a.m.

PLEASE JOIN US!

Saint Haralambos Philoptochos Ladies Society is a Nationwide "army of women" whose collective drive, dedication, compassion, love and strength to those who need it most.

2026 Dues are \$28.00 - payable to Saint Haralambos Philoptochos by April 15, 2026.
Mail or drop off your dues to the church office.

Thank you.
Helen Apostalides, Assistant Treasurer



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE

March 15, 2026
TEAM B

GREAT LENTEN PAN ORTHODOX CALENDAR 2026

March 18th ~ St. George Antiochian @ 6:30 p.m.
PreSanctified Liturgy

March 25th ~ Annunciation @ each parish
in the morning.

April 1st ~ Assumption OCA, Canton @ 6:30 p.m.
PreSanctified Liturgy

HOLY WEEK & PASCHA FLOWERS

If you would like to donate flowers for Holy Week & Pascha, please contact the church office at 330-454-7278.

ITEMS NEEDED:

Salutations to the Theotokos Icon Wreaths (2)
Annunciation Wreath, Bridegroom Wreaths (2),
Holy Communion Prosforo & Wine - Wednesday,
Incense, Candle and Prosforo - Thursday
Prosforo - Sat. Morning & Evening,
Football Mums, Epitaphion (5),
Epitaphion Flowers, and Lilies.

GREEK FESTIVAL BAKLAVA BAKERS NEEDED

MARCH 31st @ 9:00 A.M.

We are looking for volunteers to help make the Baklava for this year's GreekFest.

If you are interested in the making of Baklava for the GreekFest, please contact Dena Apostolou at 330-705-3200.



GOYA LUMINARY PROJECT

GOYA is sponsoring this year's Luminary Project for the benefit of our youth program.

The luminary display will be Friday evening, during Good Friday evening service.

Individual luminaries may be purchased in memory of, or for the health of loved ones, for a donation of \$5.00 each.

The deadline for orders is April 8, 2026.

Luminary project forms are located in the organizer in front of the church office.



BIBLE STUDY WITH FATHER NICK

MARCH 17, 2026 ~ 3:30 - 4:30 P.M.
TRI- ROOM



2026 Canton Greek Fest Meeting Dates

Join the Planning Committee for the 2026Canton Greek Fest

Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, March 18, 2026
Wednesday, April 1, 2026
Wednesday, April 22, 2026
Wednesday, May 6, 2026
Wednesday, May 20, 2026
Wednesday, June 3, 2026

***All Meeting begin at 7pm
in the Youth Room***

Questions?
Call Mike Fakelis (330-327-5317) or
Mike Paxos (330-327-9180)

BUS TRIP SILVER LINERS - JUNE 18

Enjoy your day



1285 Winery
Covered bridges
Lunch /live band
Anthony Thomas
Chocolate Factory



Tour of
"The Shoe"

\$96 payable to:
"SILVER LINERS"
with reservation.
Deadline : May 1.

Depart St. Haralambos
rear lot at 8 am

8 O'CLOCK AM DEPARTURE



ST. HARALAMBOS GREEK SCHOOL PRESENTS GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION



SUNDAY 22
MARCH

KRASSAS
EVENT CENTER
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
CHURCH SERVICES

**DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE
CHLORIS CHAPTER #40
PRESENTS:**

**THE 58TH ANNUAL
DEBUTANTES BALL**

HONORING:

Alexandria Amentas
Sophia Brown
Emily Hallaman
Paisia Kantzos
Alyssa Koehler
Cheyenne Kyriacou
Alayna Linquist
Eleni Miller
Hannah Shiepis
Panagiotia Tzouloufis
Alexia Zenallis

**SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2026
Alex D. Krassas Event Center
Doors Open @ 7:30 p.m.
Presentation @ 8:30 p.m.**

\$25 per person

**For tickets please call:
Frances Pantelides @ 330-284-3929
Semi Formal Attire Requested
Cash Bar**

SAVE THE DATE!

***PHILOPTOCHOS ANNUAL
MOTHER'S DAY DINNER***

***Please plan on joining us on Monday, May 4,
2026 @ 6:00 p.m., in the Krassas Event
Center for our annual Mother's Day Dinner.***

***For tickets, contact:
Mary Trifelos: 330-492-9353
Stephanie Machamer: 330-704-8558***

**2026 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR
GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS
& UNDERGRADS**

AHEPA Canton Chapter 59 Scholarship
The Application form is online at:
www.ahepa59.org

**Completed applications must be
postmarked by: April 30, 2026**

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**St. Haralambos Men's Club  
Xen Griveas Scholarship**

Applications are now available for  
graduating seniors entering college whose  
family are members in good standing.  
**Application Deadline is: May 3, 2026**

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**St. Haralambos Sunday School
Laura Anne Dieringer Memorial Scholarship**

This \$500 scholarship is available to all
graduating high school seniors of the
St. Haralambos Sunday School who
meet certain eligibility requirements.
Deadline: Sunday, May 3, 2026

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**Michael & Dolly Sousaris  
Memorial Scholarship**

Two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be  
awarded to graduating high schools  
seniors or students presently enrolled  
in a higher education program.  
**Deadline: Sunday, May 31, 2026**

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**Harry Thomas
Memorial Scholarship**

Two (2) \$2500 scholarships are available;
one for a graduating high school senior,
one for an undergraduate student.
Applicant's family must be members in
good standing to obtain an application.
Deadline: June 26, 2026



SUNDAY SCHOOL PRESENTS
RISEN
HE IS...
A MINI LENTEN RETREAT
4 APRIL | AFTER LITURGY
ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND
AFTER LAZARUS SATURDAY SERVICE
LIGHT LUNCH & PALM CROSS MAKING

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**Metropolis of Pittsburgh
Ladies Philoptochos Society**
Virtual Daffodil Fundraiser
March 15, 2026 ~ April 18, 2026
Proceeds to benefit:
**Metropolis Social Service Fund
&
Our Seminarians Our Future Fund**
Or by check payable to:
The Metropolis of Pittsburgh Philoptochos
c/o Paula Yakoumas
220 Littell Road
Aliquippa, PA 15001
**Donations can be made
by scanning this QR code:**



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Sunday School presents



**EASTER
EGG HUNT**
and a visit from the
Easter Bunny
After the Agape Service on
the front lawn weather
permitting.
Otherwise in the gym
Sunday, April 12, 2026

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3RD ANNUAL GREEK GALA



a night at the
OSCARS

SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH, 2026
5:00PM-10:30PM
\$75 A PERSON
TABLES OF 8 FOR \$600
(PRE-SALE ONLY, NO TICKETS AT DOOR)

HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
4705 FAIRHAVEN AVE NW
CANTON, OH 44709



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March 15, 2026: Feast: St. Basil Liturgy. Third Sunday in Lent, Veneration of the Holy Cross; Agapios, Plesios, Romylos, and Timolas, Martyrs (+303); Aristoboulos of the 70 Apostles, Bishop of Britannia (+1st c.); Manouel of Crete and Parthenios, Neomartyrs; Nikandros of Eguyp (+284).

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Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον Ἦχος βαρύς
Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον· ἠνέφξας τῷ ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον· τῶν
Μυροφόρων τὸν θρήνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι
ἀνέστης Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Τῆς Ἑορτῆς Ἦχος α΄
Σῶσον, Κύριε, τὸν λαόν σου, καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς βασιλεῦσι
κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος, καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων, διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

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

Κοντάκιον Ἦχος πλ. β
Τῇ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, Ὡς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια,
Ἀναγράφω σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Ἄλλ’ ὥς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, Ἐκ
παντοίων με κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, Ἵνα κράζω σοι· Χαῖρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

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Resurrectional Apolytikion Grave Mode
You destroyed death by Your Cross, You opened Paradise to the Robber. You turned the
Myrrh-bearing Women’s lament into joy, and You commanded Your Apostles to preach
that You rose, O Christ God, granting the world the great mercy.

For the Feast Mode 1
Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting victory to the faithful
over the enemy, and by Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth.

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 Champion General, I your City now inscribe to you Triumphant anthems as the tokens
of my gratitude, Being rescued from the terrors, O Theotokos. Inasmuch as you have
power unassailable, From all kinds of perils free me, so that unto you I may cry aloud:
Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.

March 15, 2026 Third Sunday of Lent

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:1-6



Epistle

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

Brethren, since we have a high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is bound to offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not take the honor upon himself, but he is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.”

March 15, 2026 Third Sunday of Lent

Mark 8:34-38; 9:1



Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

The Lord said: “If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.” And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power.”