

The Myrrh-Bearing Women

The Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women ... reminds us that the love and faithfulness of a few individuals shone brightly in the midst of hopeless darkness. It calls us to ensure that in this world love and faithfulness do not disappear or die out. It judges our lack of courage, our fear, our endless and servile rationalizations. The mysterious Joseph and Nicodemus, and these women who go to the grave at dawn, occupy so little space in the gospels. Precisely here, however, is where the eternal fate of each of us is decided.

Today, I think, we are especially in need of recovering this love and basic human loyalty. For we have entered a time when even these are being discredited by harmful concepts of the person and human life now prevailing in this world. For centuries, the world still had the weak, but still

flickering and shining, glow from that faithfulness, love and co-suffering which was silently present at the sufferings of the Man cast aside by all. And we need to cling, as if to a last thread, to everything in our world that still thrives on the warm light of simple, earthly, human love. Love does not ask about theories and ideologies, but speaks to the heart and soul. Human history has rumbled along, kingdoms have risen and fallen, cultures have been built and bloody wars fought, but what has remained unchanging on earth and in this troubled and tragic history is the bright image of the woman. An image of care, self-giving, love, compassion. Without this presence, without this light, our world, regardless of its successes and accomplishments, would be a world of terror.

Father Alexander Schmemmann

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN



Icon of the Myrrh-bearing Women

ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

April 26, 2026

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH BEARERS

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

APRIL

SUN APR 26	†Sunday of the Myrrh Bearers Jr. GOYA meeting	9:00 a.m.
TUE APR 28	Orthodox Book Study Greek School	4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.
THU APR 30	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.

MAY

SUN MAY 3	†Sunday of the Paralytic	9:00 a.m.
MON MAY 4	Philoptochos Mother's Day Dinner	6:00 p.m.
TUE MAY 5	Silver Liners' Board Meeting Greek School	10:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m.
WED MAY 6	Greek Fest Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.
THU MAY 7	Hellenic Beginner Dancers Hellenic Intermediate Dancers Hellenic Training Seniors Dancers Hellenic Senior Dancers Parish Council Meeting	4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:45 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
SUN MAY 10	†Sunday of the Samaritan Woman	9:00 a.m.
TUE MAY 12	Greek School Pizza Party	5:30 p.m.
THU MAY 14	Hellenic Beginner Dancers Hellenic Intermediate Dancers Hellenic Training Seniors Dancers Hellenic Senior Dancers Dancers & Parents Mtg. & Election	4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:45 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
SUN MAY 17	†Sunday of the Blindman General Assembly Sunday School Celebration Jr GOYA meeting	9:00 a.m.
TUE MAY 19	Silver Liners' Luncheon	11:30 a.m.
WED MAY 20	GreekFest Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.
THU MAY 21	†Ascension of Our Lord Hellenic Beginner Dancers Hellenic Intermediate Dancers Hellenic Training Seniors Dancers Hellenic Senior Dancers	9:00 a.m. 4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:45 p.m. 6:15 p.m.



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE

April 26, 2026

TEAM D



TODAY'S MEMORIALS

1yr Memorial ~ Penny Ralles
4yr Memorial ~ George Foradas

Today's coffee hour, wine and Prosforo
are sponsored by the families.

UPCOMING MEMORIALS

May 3, 2026

1yr Memorial ~ Mary Hinkel
3yr Memorial ~ Christos Politis

DOLMATHES ROLLERS NEEDED!

You are invited to be a
Dolmathes Roller on
Thursday, May 7th at 9:00 a.m.

*Lunch will be provided

We need your HELP!
To Volunteer, please call or email:

Dena Apostolou, 330-705-3200
dapostolou@neo.rr.com

or

John Kellamis, 330-351-1339
jokellamis@leeinc.com

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

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

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

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

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

GOYA Gyro Fundraiser

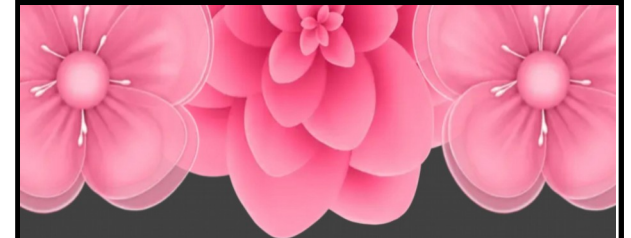
Gyros To-Go: \$10

Sunday, April 26

Immediately following The Divine Liturgy



Please come and help support the St. Haralambos GOYA!



JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL PHILOPTOCHOS

MOTHER'S DAY DINNER

"Pretty in Pink"

MONDAY
MAY

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wear something pink
members \$5
guests \$10

for tickets contact
Mary Trifelos 330-492-9353
Stephanie Machamer
330-704-8558

Krassas Event Center
6:00 o'clock

April 26, 2026: Third Sunday of the Paschal Season, the Myrrh Bearing Women (Mary Magdalene, Mary wife of Cleopas, Joanna wife of Chouza, Salome mother of sons of Zebedee, Mary and Martha sisters of Lazarus, and Susanna); Holymartyr Basil, Bishop of Amasia (+322); Righteous Glaphyra and Justas (+322); George.

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Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον Ἦχος β΄
Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἢ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας, τῇ ἀστραπῇ
τῆς θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ
δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Ἦχος β΄
Ὁ εὐσχήμων Ἰωσήφ, ἀπὸ τοῦ ξύλου καθελὼν, τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, σινδόνι καθαρᾷ
εἰλήσας καὶ ἀρώμασιν, ἐν μνήματι καινῷ κηδεύσας ἀπέθετο· ἀλλὰ τριήμερος ἀνέστης,
Κύριε, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Ἦχος β΄
Ταῖς Μυροφόροις γυναιξί, παρὰ τὸ μνήμα ἐπιστάς, ὁ Ἄγγελος ἐβόα· Τὰ μύρα τοῖς θνητοῖς
ὕπάρχει ἀρμόδια· Χριστὸς δὲ διαφθορᾷ ἐδείχθη ἀλλότριος· ἀλλὰ κραυγάσατε· Ἀνέστη ὁ
Κύριος, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ 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 τοῦ Πάσχα Ἦχος πλ. δ΄
Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς
νικητῆς, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγζάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς
Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν.

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Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode 2
When You descended unto Death, O Lord, You who are immortal Life put Hades to
death, by the lightning of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from the
netherworld, all the hosts of heaven sang aloud to You, “O Christ God, Giver of life,
glory to You!”

Mode 2
When he took down Your immaculate Body from the Cross, the honorable Joseph
wrapped it in a clean linen shroud with spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb. But on
the third day You rose, O Lord, and granted to the world the great mercy.

Mode 2
The Angel who had come to the sepulcher said to the Myrrh-bearing women, “Ointments
are appropriate for mortal men; but Christ is indeed a stranger to decay. Now go
proclaim that the Lord has risen and granted to the world the 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 of Pascha Mode pl. 4
Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the
dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out
“Rejoice” to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who
to the fallen grant resurrection.



Epistle

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles.

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.



Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, “Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.” And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.