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The Holy and Sacred Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate has designated the Sunday following the Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Synod as the Sunday of the Synaxis of all the Holy Doctors. This year we commemorate the Holy Doctors **TODAY**. / We invite all our Medical Professionals to join us for this Sunday's Divine Liturgy and the *Artoclasia* that will follow in celebration of the newly established feast of the Holy Doctors. / May our Lord continue to strengthen you in the faith, guide you as Medical Care professionals and bless your gifts of healing for all those entrusted to your care.

OYAA LEAGUE BASKETBALL, ADULT MEN – TODAY at HOME, 4 PM, *versus* Ascension. **Sunday, October 26** at Ascension-Oakland, 3:30 PM, *versus* Resurrection. **Sunday, November 2** at HOME, 4 PM *versus* Saint James. And a BYE on **Sunday, November 9**.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONTINUES – Join us for a new and exciting year of Sunday School. Parents – please be sure to register your student at the link at our church website, or at this link: bit.ly/3HZqKjm or with this QR code:



GREEK DANCE CONTINUES! At Holy Cross the tradition continues! **Oct 24** - Last day for Dance Registration. *All dancers must be registered for Sunday School, and families of Sunday School students must be pledging members of Holy Cross Church; as must all adults participating in our programs. Use the QR codes [Sunday School above, and Stewardship on the right.] /* Holy Cross has 6 dance groups ranging in age from Kindergarten to Adult. New dancers are welcome! If you are interested in Greek dance, or for more information on the Holy Cross Dance Program, please contact Paul Flocas at PFlocas@gmail.com

Saturday **REEL & MEAL** - We're beyond excited to invite you to our very first Reel & Meal event—a one-of-a-kind evening where dinner and a movie come together in the most delicious way. On **Saturday, October 25th at 6:30 p.m.**, we'll be showing the movie *Wicked* while serving up a multi-course gourmet meal—each course perfectly timed to match special scenes from the film. Think of it as dinner theater with a tasty twist! 🍴 Please use the link at our church website

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to grab your tickets before they're gone (and see our event flyer)! We can't wait to share this magical evening of film, food, and fun with you!

GODPARENTS SUNDAY - Join us as we honor our Godparents for their love and guidance. Following Divine Liturgy in the Fellowship Hall. \$35 adults. \$20 dancers and children 6 to 18. Free for 5 and under. For seating requests, email **by Tuesday, November 4** to Kathy at kathyflocas@yahoo.com or 650-862-2610. Use the link at our church website (the event flyer is also there) or scan the QR code here for reservations.



Thurs Nov 13 **PIECEMEAL** will take place at 6:30 PM. If your “piece” will be a turkey, please bring to the church kitchen **by Sunday, November 10**. Youth Council will be providing the dessert pieces. Please email Kathy Roque at kathyroquealbert@gmail.com to let us know which Piece you will be bringing. If you would like to help with set up, please let Presvytera Nikki (psalmas@aol.com) know.

NEWS

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: THANKSGIVING PECAN TARTS! - In fundraising efforts for our program, PRE ORDERS are NOW OPEN for pecan tart sales. Not only will this be a beautiful addition to your Thanksgiving table, but your taste buds will thank you! Online PRE ORDERS will be open from **now** until **November 9**. You may directly [purchase via this link here](#), or by scanning the QR code on the flyers around the church grounds. ***If you decide last minute to order a tart and it is PASSED the online pre order date, please contact Effie Zaharioudakis directly at 650.483.4899 or effiezaxari@gmail.com, to place your order. Order pickup will be ONE DAY ONLY on **Sunday, November 23** outside of gym after Divine Liturgy. ***We cannot promise that there will be extra tarts available for purchase on the day of pick up*** *Thank you for your continued support for our youth programs.*



STEWARDSHIP 2025 – Let's make this the “Autumn of Stewardship”! We thank you for your support and for joining our Parish Community. If you haven't already donated, please visit our church website and make your monthly donation for our minimal ask of \$150 today!



STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES – We lost our electronic file that was collecting changes to the mailing list for Stewardship envelopes (the ones with the red border). If you requested a change over the past year, please email office@goholycross.org and remind us of the correction.

NEW KICKS FOR KIDS SHOE DRIVE – Presented by Holy Cross Belmont Philoptochos! Donate a NEW Pair of Shoes for a Child in Need in San Mateo School District. **October 1 to November 30**. Only new kids shoes in-the-box please- not wrapped. Please include a tag with the child's name. To Donate New Soles for Young Souls visit: <https://sites.google.com/view/hcnewkicksforkids/home> or contact Nina Azar 650-863-7780 for more information and to be assigned a child's name.

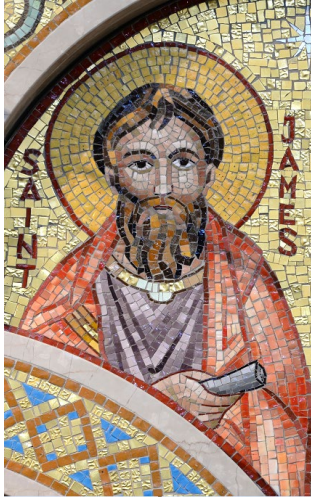
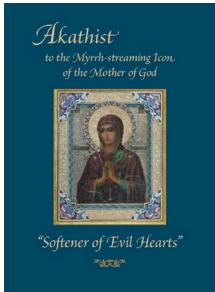
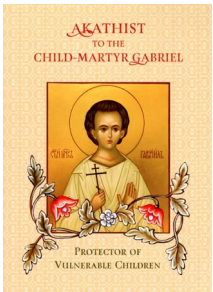
FROM OUR FREEZER TO YOURS IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS - Delicious frozen entrees are available at fantastic prices. Delicious spanakopita, pastitsio (limited quantities), fasolatha soup, pastitsio meat sauce, moussaka meat sauce, baklava, melomakarona and galactobouriko are waiting for a place in your freezer. Ready for holiday celebrations, warm fall and winter meals and those needed nights off from the kitchen. See Chris Canellos after church today, or contact him at cecanellos@aol.com.

STUDIES AND BIBLE CLASSES! – Classes will meet this week. Please see the church website for NEW Zoom info.

HOLY CROSS PRESCHOOL AND PRE-KINDERGARTEN We are currently enrolling for the 26-27 school year -- please email Director Chris Shreve to schedule a visit for you and your child today! Preschool@goholycross.org Visit our Preschool website: www.holycrossbelmont.com

OUR HOLY CROSS THREE HIERARCHS BOOKSTORE

. . . offers all that is Orthodox to the younger and older among us. Icons, prayer ropes, honey, and books which reflect the teaching of our holy Orthodox Church. Many akathists, including Akathist to the Child-Martyr Gabriel and the Akathist to the Myrrh-streaming Icon of the Mother of God 'Softener of Evil Hearts' are now available.



GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS *Third Sunday of Luke - October 19, 2025*

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SERVICES



Sunday, October 19 – Third Sunday of Luke – 8:45 AM, Orthros, 10:00 AM, Divine Liturgy

Saturday, October 25 – 5:30 PM, Great Vespers

Sunday, October 26 – Sixth Sunday of Luke / Saint Demetrios – 8:45 AM, Orthros, 10:00 AM, Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 1 – Saints Cosmas & Damianos – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 1 – 5:30 PM, Great Vespers

Sunday, November 2 – Fifth Sunday of Luke – 8:45 AM, Orthros, 10:00 AM, Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 8 – Synaxis of the Archangels – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 8 – 5:30 PM, Great Vespers

Sunday, November 9 – Seventh Sunday of Luke / Saint Nektarios – 8:45 AM, Orthros, 10:00 AM, Divine Liturgy / Godparents Sunday Luncheon will follow.

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

If you are visiting us for the first time, send us an email and share your thoughts and suggestions. May God bless and keep you well.