

**Summer Schedule continues -
Orthros at 8:30 AM, Divine Liturgy at 9:30 AM**

- Mon June 29 **SERBIA AND GREECE TRIP PRESENTATION** - 7:00 PM in The Oaks. We will have a visual and oral review of our trips to Serbia and Greece which occurred last month, in May. This presentation is open to the parish and will highlight our experiences of the canonization of Saint Elias of Trubar, our tour of historical Orthodox sites in Bosnia, Serbia, Kosovo, and our tour of Greece.
- Mon June 29 **BIBLE STUDY** - Cancelled for this **Monday**. Instead of Bible Study, we are presenting about our trips to Serbia and Greece in May. 7:00 PM in The Oaks.

BELMONT GREEK FESTIVAL 2026
Saturday and Sunday, September 5 and 6

We are looking forward to hosting the 54th Edition of the Belmont Greek Festival! We are looking for a volunteer to serve as the lead chairperson for this year's Festival. We already have many of the chairs of individual areas identified and have started working on summer Festival tasks. If you would like to volunteer to chair the Festival this year or know somebody who might be interested, please contact Kathy Flocas (650) 862-2610 or Jim Smith (650) 269-7430

FESTIVAL COOKING AND BAKING!

Call any one of the chairs to offer your help on preparing your FAVORITE food item. OR if you want to learn a NEW recipe, call THAT chair! (all area codes are 650 except as indicated)

July 11	Yuvetsi	Chris Canellos	867-2019
July 16 & 17	Koulourakia	Thalia Hohenthal	576-8032
July 18 & 19	Moussaka	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404
July 22	Paximadia	Thalia Hohenthal	576-8032
Aug 7, 8 & 9 (note correction)	Spanakopita	Othonia Makris/Roula Tonas	504-3334
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Aug 11 & 12	Pastitsio	Rita Zaharioudakis	574-4913
Aug 17 & 18	Galaktoboureko	Rita Zaharioudakis	574-4913
Aug 19 & 21	syrops	Kaliopi Haramis	304-1028
August 20	Kourambiedes	Terry Smith/Emmy Denton	595-4363
August 22	Melomakarona	Marietta Asimakopoulou	476-5576

Aug 28 & 29	Tzatziki	Stephanie Denton	868-2438
August 29	Fasolakia	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404
August 29	Stifado	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404
August 30	Skordalia	Afrodite Lourbakos	933-7047
August 31	Baklava baking	Emmy Denton	(415) 987-3130
September 1	Taramosalata	Othonia Makris	759-0573
September 1	Loukoumades	Eleni Hulman	576-3956
September 2	Portokalopita (orange)	Emmy Denton	(415) 987-3130
September 4	Fasolatha	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404
September 4	Gigandes	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404

Thank you to Team Baklava for your wonderful work these past few days!

**CAN YOU HELP UNDERWRITE THE \$120,000
FOOD BILL FOR OUR FESTIVAL?**

Buy an ad in our Festival program. Sponsor an area of the Festival or a major expense. Make a donation of \$10 or more. See the Sponsorship Packet at BelmontGreekFestival.com or contact Chris Canellos (cecanellos@aol.com or 650-867-2019) for further details.

**HERE IS AN IMPORTANT WAY
YOU CAN HELP THE BELMONT GREEK FESTIVAL**

Sponsor an ad in our Festival Program (\$600 full page, \$350 half page) sponsor a booth, other area of the Festival or a major expense of the Festival (\$500 - \$1000) or donate the cost of any ingredient in the Festival kitchen (any amount is appreciated and welcomed). Contact Chris Canellos 650-867-2019 or canellos@stanford.edu for further details.

YOUNG STARS OF THE STAGE

Youth ages 6 and up, if you want to perform in the fabulous Greek mythology play during the Belmont Greek Festival, contact Director Helene Nemchik NOW, 650-224-4809, or hrnemchik@aol.com. Auditions will be in **early July**. Rehearsals **Aug. 17-Sept. 4**. Performances twice a day on **Sat/Sun, Sept. 5-6**.

IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR PARISH . . .

. . . become a member and join our Stewardship rolls!

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STEWARDSHIP 2026 – The 2026 Stewardship packets are in your homes! Let's make this the “Year 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 \$175 today!

CAUTION: SIDE EFFECTS! Singers, join the choir and help us sing our beautiful hymns. Warning: continued singing may cause increased joy both during and after liturgy. Smiles lasting longer than four hours, consult your doctor. Contact Chris or Eva Canellos, 650-400-1610, cecanellos@aol.com.

A HUGE THANK YOU! Daughters of Penelope thanks you for supporting our recent Rummage Sale! Together, with your purchases and donations, we raised an amazing \$1,000.00 for NAMI (Northern Alliance on Mental Illness) in San Mateo County. Our donation will help to provide mental health resources for those in need. Thank you for your love and generosity and God bless you all!

STUDIES AND BIBLE CLASSES! – Classes continue! Contact konstantines@goholycross.org for schedule.

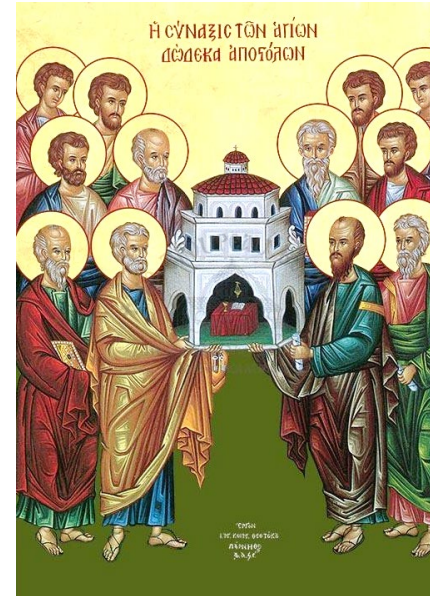
HOLY CROSS PRESCHOOL AND PRE-KINDERGARTEN We are currently enrolling for the 26-27 school year -- please email Director Chris Shreve to schedule a visit for you and your child today! Preschool@goholycross.org Visit our Preschool website: www.holycrossbelmont.com

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SUMMER SCHEDULE CONTINUES

Orthros begins at 8:30 AM with Divine Liturgy following at 9:30 AM

- Sunday, June 28** – Fourth Sunday of Matthew – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
- Monday, June 29** – Peter and Paul, the Holy Apostles – 8:30 AM Orthros; 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
- Tuesday, June 30** – Synaxis of the Holy Apostle – 8:30 AM Orthros; 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
- Saturday, July 4** – Great Vespers, 5:30 PM
- Sunday, July 5** – Fifth Sunday of Matthew – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
- Saturday, July 11** – Great Vespers, 5:30 PM
- Sunday, July 12** – Sixth Sunday of Matthew – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
- Saturday, July 18** – Great Vespers, 5:30 PM
- Sunday, July 19** – Sunday of the Holy Fathers – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
- Saturday, July 25** – Great Vespers, 5:30 PM
- Sunday, July 26** – Eighth Sunday of Matthew – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy



GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

*Fourth Sunday
of Matthew
June 28, 2026*

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OUR HOLY CROSS THREE HIERARCHS BOOKSTORE

Our bookstore is grateful to make available all that is Orthodox for adults, young adults and children, for personal use or gift-giving. Newly arrived is 'The Prayers of Saint Isaac The Syrian' a wonderfully organized prayer book featuring prayers by St. Isaac the Syrian, a 7th century saint of the Orthodox Church. “A person can occupy himself with these words while standing,..sitting..working...or walking...”



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.