

*"The Weekly Messenger"*  
Divine Liturgy - Sunday, September 3rd



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# Saint Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church

**Saturday/Sunday - Matins 9:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy 10:00 A.M**

**Note: This Saturday the Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30 a.m.**

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Dear Parishioners, note that we alternate between Saturday and Sunday in our services. Please, see the schedule below. Also note that fasting (no food or drink) is generally required in the morning before receiving Holy Communion. Exception is given on case by case basis in relation to person's health. When we celebrate Divine Liturgy in the evening then fasting (no food or drink) is required at least from noon onward. Thank you.

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## Commemorations

- **The Holy & Righteous Ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna**
  - **Severian the Martyr of Sebastia**
  - Theophanes the Confessor
  - **Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos**
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## The Gospel According to Matthew 10:37 11:1

The Lord said this parable, "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying 'They will respect my son.' But when

the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?'"



[Online Chapel](#)

## Epistle

Sing praises to our God, sing praises.  
Verse: Clap your hands, all you nations.

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 2:6-9

Brethren, among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glorification. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, "What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him."

## Priest's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

We will celebrate the Elevation and Exaltation of the Precious and Life-giving Cross on Wednesday evening at 6 pm. During the service we will process with the cross around the Church. If someone would like to bring basil to decorate the processional tray, please get in touch with me. To read more on the feast follow [the link](#).

In addition, I would like to encourage the parishioners this Saturday after service to carpool to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Milwaukee. All the Wisconsin Orthodox churches are invited for a picnic that day from 10 am to 2 pm. In order to give us more time - our Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30 a.m. instead of 10 a.m.

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Paul

## 40-Day Blessing

We would like to welcome baby Basil Stavropoulos and his parents Theodore and Elizabeth at the 40 day Blessing of their son.

The blessings of the Lord be upon him and his family.



## From the president

I would like to thank everyone who volunteered for Greek Fest this year. As you can see it was a great success for the church budget and allows us the opportunity to show the Sheboygan community who St Spyridon Orthodox church is. Thank you to everyone who helped with baking, onion preparation, and set up before the festival. Thank you to all the volunteers who worked the festival, especially those who brought friends along to help out. Take down was great, as many stayed to help and it allowed us to clean up in quick fashion. It is our most critical yearly event for our St Spyridon church that raises important funds for the church, but also allows us to share our message of Orthodoxy in the community we live in.

Please make it a priority for 2024. Mark your calendars for June 28,29,30 of 2024 and make sure to save some time for prep work that week of the festival. Thank you all and may St Spyridon continue to bless and protect our parish.

Yours,  
John Revelis

## Calendar for September

Saturday, September 9 - Saints Joachim and Anna

Matins 8:30 a.m. | Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Reader: Paul Peterson

Prospora: Faye Sipple

10 am - 2 pm Pan-Orthodox Family Picnic at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Milwaukee

Monday, September 11 - Philippians - 7 pm (zoom link)

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85887423891>

Tuesday, September 12 - Zoom Catechism Class begins. [Register Here.](#)

Tuesday, September 12 - Parish Council Meeting - 7 pm

Wednesday, September 13 - The Elevation of the Holy Cross

Vesperal Divine Liturgy - 6 pm (*Fasting required for those receiving Holy Communion*)

Sunday, September 17 Saint Sophia and her three daughters - Faith, Hope and Love

Matins 9 a.m. | Divine Liturgy 10 a.m.

Reader: Jim Christus

Prospora: John Revelis

12 pm Young Adult Meeting and Pizza (Adults 18 -40) at the first table of the parish hall

Saturday, September 23 Conception of Saint John the Baptist

Matins 9 a.m. | Divine Liturgy 10 a.m.

Reader: Arielle Balassi

12 pm - Adult Catechism Class with Fr. Paul at the fellowship hall - all are welcome.

Monday, September 25 - Bible Study - Philokalia - 7 pm (zoom link)

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85887423891>

*(note we will do Divine Liturgy again on a Saturday)*

Saturday, September 30 Hieromartyr Gregory, Bishop of Greater Armenia, Equal of the Apostles

Matins 9 a.m. | Divine Liturgy 10 a.m.

Reader: Mary Holden

Oktoberfest in Appleton - 9 - 6 pm . This is a big fundraiser for the Holy Trinity Fond-du-Lac community. If you would like to volunteer at their gyro stand please use this link to sign up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0548a5a62fabfc1-gyro#/>



**EVENING IN GREECE**  
*Dinner Dance and Silent Auction*

**Saturday, October 21, 2023**  
**5:00 pm Cocktails**  
**6:00 pm Dinner followed by Dancing**

**Avenue 795 Banquet Hall**  
795 Fond du Lac Avenue, Fond du Lac, WI 54935  
Tickets or Information: [eveninggreece@gmail.com](mailto:eveninggreece@gmail.com)

A Gala Fundraiser to Benefit Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church of Fond du Lac

# Pan-Orthodox Picnic

*Annual  
Picnic*



**Sat., Sept. 9, 2023  
10:00am - 2:00pm**



Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church  
9400 W Congress St, Wauwatosa, WI

Gathering our Orthodox faithful & friends  
from all sister Orthodox Parishes for  
***outdoor fun & fellowship for all ages.***



Sponsored by MOCCA  
(Milwaukee Orthodox Christian Clergy Association)  
Hosted at Annunciation Church

FREE EVENT  
Lunch provided!

Contact your parish priest to RSVP for approximate headcount.  
To volunteer, contact Fr. Elijah Mueller at [ocamke@gmail.com](mailto:ocamke@gmail.com)



2023 OCAMPR CONFERENCE

**NEW DATE**

October 5th-7th

University of St. Mary of the Lake  
Conference & Retreat Center  
1000 E Maple Ave  
Mundelein, IL 60060

Register at [www.ocampr.org](http://www.ocampr.org)



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**Keynote Speaker**

His Eminence  
Metropolitan Nicolae  
Romanian Orthodox  
Metropolia of the  
Americas



**Medical Plenary**

Dr. Carla Thomas  
Family Medicine Physician  
Anniston, AL



**Theological Plenary**

Nadia Kizenko, PhD  
Director of Religious Studies & Professor  
of History, University at Albany  
Albany, New York



**Psychological Plenary**

Fr. Stephen Muse, PhD, LMFT, LPC  
Director of Clergy-in-Kairos Program,  
Pastoral Institute Inc.  
Columbus, Georgia

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Saturday, September 16th  
Metropolis of Chicago  
Dive for the Cross and BBQ

in honor of Holy Cross Chapel by the Lake

St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church  
5649 N. Sheridan Road, Chicago, IL 60660

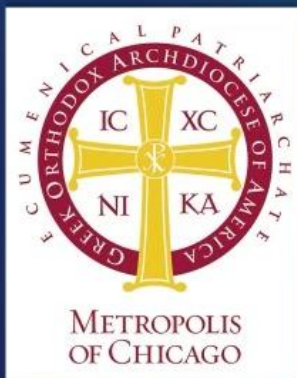
10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Calling all Youth  
of the Metropolis!

Joy: Kindergarten - 5th Grade  
Jr. GOYA: 6th - 8th Grade  
GOYA: 9th-12th Grade  
YAL/OCF: 18 years old to 25 Years Old

All Parishes are invited to join the Clergy of Chicago as they bless the Waters of Lake Michigan and then throws the Cross into Lake for the Youth of the Metropolis to Dive in and retrieve! Prizes will be awarded for each group! Afterwards, we will have swim time followed by a BBQ lunch at St. Andrew's!

Parishes, please collect your RSVPs and send them  
to St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church  
no later than September 12th for food counts  
(773) 334-4515 [info@standreworthodox.org](mailto:info@standreworthodox.org)



Fasting

Prayer

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Preparation  
for Holy  
Communion

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