

**ST. SOPHIA'S  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
SYRACUSE, NEW YORK**



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**WEEKLY BULLETIN  
SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025  
SUNDAY OF ST. MARY OF EGYPT**

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METROPOLIS  
OF DETROIT

# St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-14

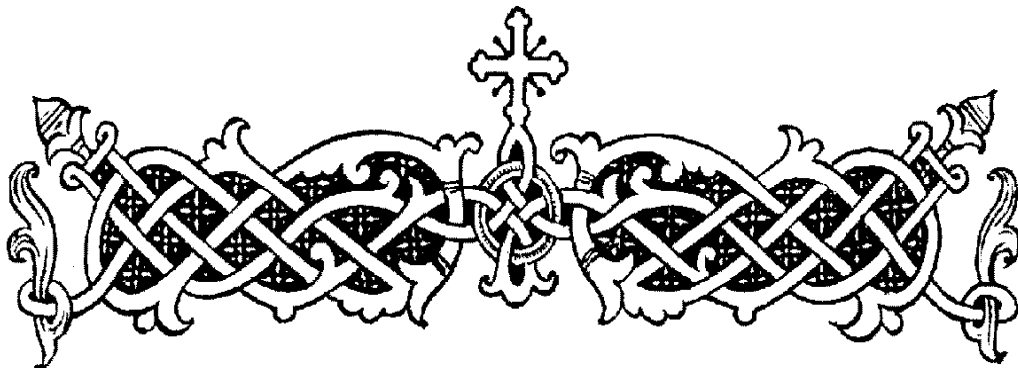
Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4  
Psalm 75.11,1

**Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.**

**Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.**

The reading is from  
St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-14

BRETHREN, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.



# Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 9:11-14

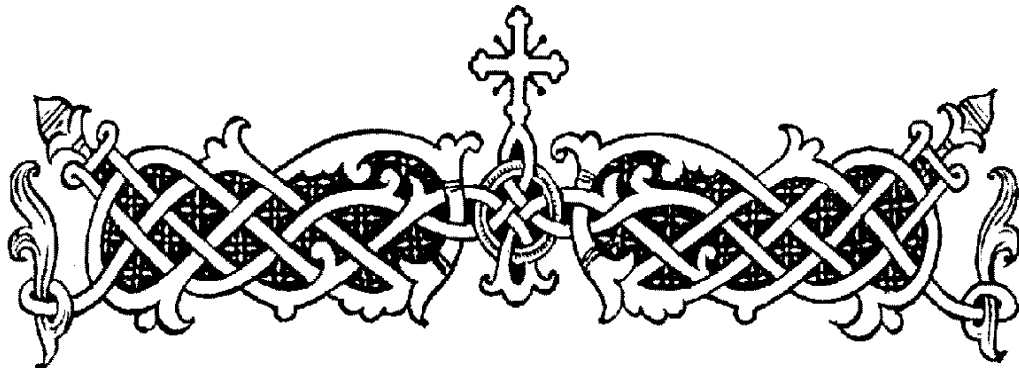
Προκείμενον. Ἦχος πλ. δ'  
ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 75.11,1

Εὐξασθε καὶ ἀπόδοτε Κυρίῳ τῷ Θεῷ ἡμῶν.

Στίχ. Γνωστὸς ἐν τῇ Ἰουδαίᾳ ὁ Θεός,  
ἐν τῷ Ἰσραὴλ μέγα τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ.

Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 9:11-14 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, Χριστὸς δὲ παραγενόμενος ἀρχιερεὺς τῶν μελλόντων ἀγαθῶν, διὰ τῆς μείζονος καὶ τελειοτέρας σκηνῆς, οὐ χειροποιήτου, τοῦτ' ἔστιν, οὐ ταύτης τῆς κτίσεως, οὐδὲ δι' αἵματος τράγων καὶ μόσχων, διὰ δὲ τοῦ ἰδίου αἵματος εἰσηλθεν ἐφάπαξ εἰς τὰ ἅγια, αἰώνιαν λύτρωσιν εὐράμενος. Εἰ γὰρ τὸ αἷμα ταύρων καὶ τράγων, καὶ σποδὸς δαμάλεως ῥαντίζουσα τοὺς κεκοινωμένους, ἀγιάζει πρὸς τὴν τῆς σαρκὸς καθαρότητα, πόσω μᾶλλον τὸ αἷμα τοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὃς διὰ πνεύματος αἰωνίου ἑαυτὸν προσήνεγκεν ἅμωμον τῷ θεῷ, καθαρειῖ τὴν συνείδησιν ὑμῶν ἀπὸ νεκρῶν ἔργων, εἰς τὸ λατρεύειν θεῷ ζῶντι;



## The Gospel According to Mark 10:32-45

At that time, Jesus took his twelve disciples, and he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."



## Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Μάρκον 10:32-45 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, παραλαμβάνει ὁ Ἰησοῦς τοὺς δώδεκα μαθητάς αὐτοῦ καὶ ἤρξατο αὐτοῖς λέγειν τὰ μέλλοντα αὐτῷ συμβαίνειν, ὅτι ἰδοὺ ἀναβαίνομεν εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδοθήσεται τοῖς ἀρχιερεῦσι καὶ γραμματεῦσι, καὶ κατακρινούσιν αὐτὸν θανάτῳ καὶ παραδώσουσιν αὐτὸν τοῖς ἔθνεσι, καὶ ἐμπαίξουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ μαστιγώσουσιν αὐτὸν καὶ ἐμπτύσουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν αὐτόν, καὶ τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἀναστήσεται. Καὶ προσπορεύονται αὐτῷ Ἰάκωβος καὶ Ἰωάννης υἱοὶ Ζεβεδαίου λέγοντες· διδάσκαλε, θέλομεν ἵνα ὁ ἐὰν αἰτήσωμεν ποιήσης ἡμῖν. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τί θέλετε ποιῆσαί με ὑμῖν; οἱ δὲ εἶπον αὐτῷ· δὸς ἡμῖν ἵνα εἷς ἐκ δεξιῶν σου καὶ εἷς ἐξ ἐωνύμων σου καθίσωμεν ἐν τῇ δόξῃ σου. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· οὐκ οἶδατε τί αἰτεῖσθε. δύνασθε πιεῖν τὸ ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πίνω, καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθῆναι; οἱ δὲ εἶπον αὐτῷ· δυνάμεθα. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τὸ μὲν ποτήριον ὃ ἐγὼ πίνω πίεσθε, καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα ὃ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθήσεσθε· τὸ δὲ καθίσει ἐκ δεξιῶν μου καὶ ἐξ ἐωνύμων οὐκ ἔστιν ἐμὸν δοῦναι, ἀλλ' οἷς ἠτοιμάσται. Καὶ ἀκούσαντες οἱ δέκα ἤρξαντο ἀγανακτεῖν περὶ Ἰακώβου καὶ Ἰωάννου. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς προσκαλεσάμενος αὐτοὺς λέγει αὐτοῖς· οἶδατε ὅτι οἱ δοκοῦντες ἄρχειν τῶν ἐθνῶν κατακυριεύουσιν αὐτῶν καὶ οἱ μεγάλοι αὐτῶν κατεξουσιάζουσιν αὐτῶν· οὐχ οὕτω δὲ ἔσται ἐν ὑμῖν, ἀλλ' ὅς ἐὰν θέλη γενέσθαι μέγας ἐν ὑμῖν, ἔσται ὑμῶν διάκονος, καὶ ὅς ἐὰν θέλη ὑμῶν γενέσθαι πρῶτος, ἔσται πάντων δοῦλος· καὶ γὰρ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου οὐκ ἦλθε διακονηθῆναι, ἀλλὰ διακονῆσαι, καὶ δοῦναι τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ λύτρον ἀντὶ πολλῶν.

# HYMNS OF THE DAY

## Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal Fourth Mode

From on high did You descend, O merciful Lord! For us did you endure three days in the tomb, that we may be released from passions in this world, You who are our resurrection and our life! Glory unto You, O Lord!

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

## For St. Mary of Egypt

In you, O Mother, is preserved undistorted what was made in the image of God; for taking up the cross, you followed Christ and by example taught, that we should overlook the flesh, since it passes away, and instead look after the soul, since it is immortal. And therefore, O devout Mary, your spirit rejoices with the angels.

Ἐν σοὶ Μῆτερ ἀκριβῶς διεσώθη τὸ κατ' εἰκόνα· λαβοῦσα γὰρ τὸν σταυρόν, ἠκολούθησας τῷ Χριστῷ, καὶ πράττουσα ἐδίδασκες ὑπερορᾶν μὲν σαρκὸς παρέρχεται γάρ, ἐπιμελεῖσθαι δὲ ψυχῆς, πράγματος ἀθανάτου· διὸ καὶ μετὰ Ἀγγέλων συναγάλλεται Ὁσία Μαρία τὸ πνεῦμά σου.

## Apolytikion for the Church in the Plagal First Tone

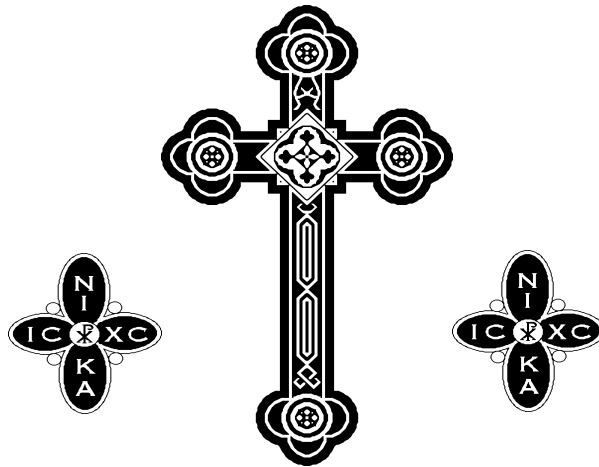
Like a most fruitful olive tree you did blossom forth in the folds of the Lord, Sophia, martyr most pious! And to Christ you did bring sweetest fruit: the tender sprouts of your womb through divine martyrdom, Agape, along with Hope and Faith, the God-minded with whom do you pray to God for all of us.

## Kontakion for the Theotokos in the Second Mode

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant! O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee! Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee!

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἢ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

*Sunday—April 6, 2025*



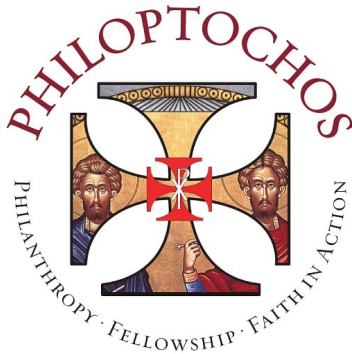
*Memorials*

*Mary Sakezles (40 Days)*  
*Panagiotis Marinos (1 Year)*  
*Anne Giopulos (3 Years)*

*Trisagions*

*James Panarites (5 Years)*  
*Benny LaRocca (6 Years)*  
*Claudia Conostas (9 Years)*  
*Gus Columbus (15 Years)*  
*Carol Panarites (15 Years)*  
*Joanne Allis (18 Years)*  
*James Giopulos (30 Years)*  
*John Panarites (50 Years)*

*MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL*



***JOIN US TODAY  
FOR COFFEE HOUR***



***COFFEE HOUR TODAY***

***Sponsored by the Family***

***In Memory of  
Panagiotis Marinos***

***A special thank you to the following members  
of our community who have volunteered  
to donate their time today to serve coffee:***

***Lula Kiser & Thalia Tonas***





***Church Services & Events  
for Today & the Upcoming Week***

***Today ~ Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt***

***8:45 am Orthros***

***10:00 am Divine Liturgy***

***General Assembly Meeting***

***6:00 pm Lenten Vespers at St. George***

***Tuesday ~ April 8, 2025***

***10:00 am Bible Study***

***5:00 pm Orthodoxy 101***

***Wednesday ~ April 9, 2025***

***9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy***

***Thursday ~ April 10, 2025***

***6:00 pm Choir Practice***

***Friday ~ April 11, 2025***

***Philoptochos Bake Sale***

***Saturday ~ April 12, 2025***

***9:00 am Orthros***

***10:00 am Divine Liturgy***

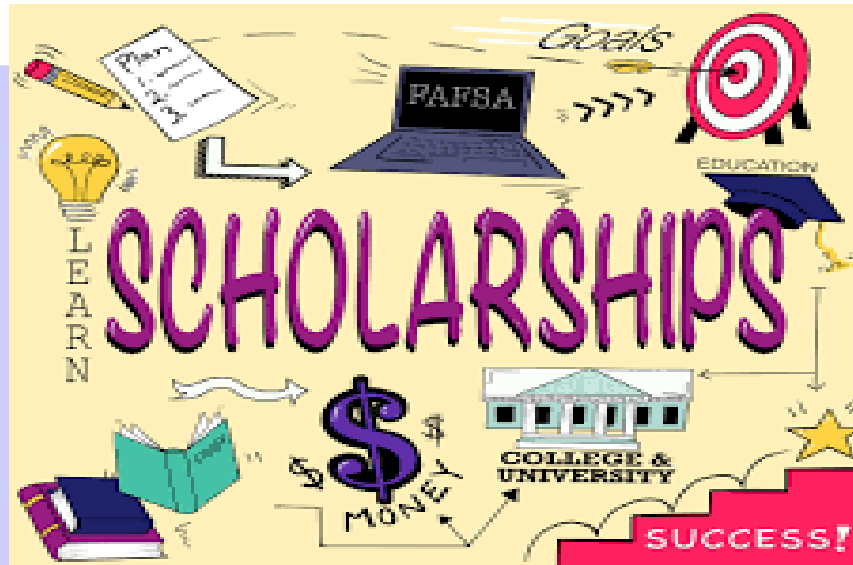
***Lazarus Saturday***

***Palm Folding***

***Philoptochos Bake Sale***

***Noon OCF Work Day***

***5:00 pm Great Vespers***



***ATTENTION  
HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS***

***NOW AVAILABLE***

***Applications for  
Saint Sophia Greek Orthodox Church,  
Philotochos & AHEPA  
2025 Scholarships***

***Scholarship applicants  
to complete **ONLY ONE** application form  
for 2025 scholarships awarded to  
Graduating High School students***

***Find your application on the church website  
or pick up a copy from the Church Office/Copier Room***

***Acceptable submission of applications  
and all requirements must be received  
by noon on April 30, 2025***



## **AHEPA SYRACUSE CHAPTER NO. 37 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION Year 2025**

**ELIGIBILITY** The applicant is the son or daughter [or grandson or grand-daughter] of a Chapter member of AHEPA Chapter No. 37 in good standing at least two years prior to the application date of May 1, 2025

**AND** The applicant **MUST ATTEND** full time, an accredited college or university during the calendar year 2025 - 2026. (minimum 12 college credits) **AND** The applicant must reside within the domain of Syracuse Chapter No. 37.

**AND** All recipients must provide proof by September 2025 that they are a full time college student (Bursar's receipt) or a College transcript with a school seal.

***FILING*** Please use our application. If additional applications forms are needed, please feel free to make copies. The applicant is responsible for the submission of all documents and completion of all sections of the application and package by no later than May 1, 2025.

***Applications are available in the church copy machine room, church lobby and at the candle stand.***

# **The Greek Dance Season is upon us!**

**PRACTICES HAVE BEGUN !!!**

**Your 2025 Dance Crew:**

**Dancers in Training: Pre-K-1st Grade**

**Instructor: Andriana Cannon**

**Parent Volunteer: Crystal Swanson**

**Sundays: 11:45-12:15 (lower level)**

**Elementary Group: 2nd-4th Grade**

**Instructor: Stavros Vigliotti**

**Parent Volunteer: Anastasia Stark**

**Sundays: 11:45-12:30 (lower level)**

**Wednesdays: 6:00-7:00**

**Middle School Group: 5th-8th Grade**

**Instructor: Tina Carkey**

**Parent Volunteer: Marianna Politis**

**Sundays: 12:00-12:30 (third floor)**

**Wednesdays: 6:30-7:15**

**High School Group: 9th-12th Grade**

**Clemente Vigliotti, Stavros Vigliotti & Chryssa Tzetzis**

**Sundays: 12:00-12:30 (lower level)**

**Wednesdays: 7-8:30**

**We look forward to the 2025 dance season!**

**We will be utilizing the Remind App**

**and please mark your calendars**

**the Greek Cultural Festival is June 5-8th.**

**Elementary and Middle School Groups**

**will also be participating**

**at the Baldwinsville Cultural Fair**

**on Wednesday, May 7th @ 6pm.**

*Please Join Us!*

**2025 PAN-ORTHODOX**  
**LENTEN VESPERS**

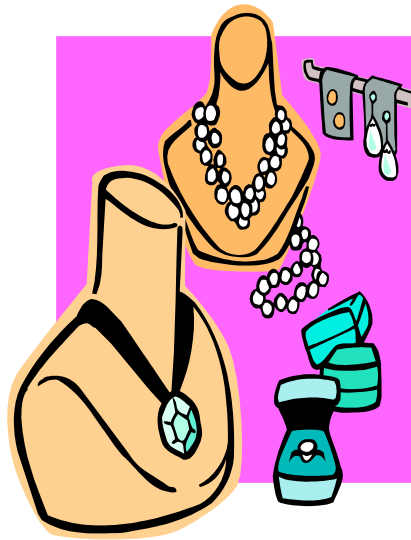
*Schedule of Services*  
*6:00 pm on Sundays*  
*followed by a Fasting Meal*

*TODAY—April 6, 2025*  
*Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt*  
*St. George Macedonian Orthodox Church*  
*5083 Onondaga Road ~ Syracuse, NY 13215*





# **PHILOPTOCHOS** **COSTUME JEWELRY DRIVE**



Attention ladies!...We are still at it!...  
Collecting costume jewelry for our ever popular  
upcoming costume jewelry sales!

St. Sophia's annual festival is fast approaching! Last year we did great business at the Philoptochos table selling the donated jewelry. We did so well that we have very little left for this year. So we want everyone to rummage through their jewelry boxes and gather all the items you no longer want or wear. Bring them into the church office and we will prepare them for sale this year. So do your best and donate all you can. Philoptochos funds great causes with this money! Costume jewelry donations are accepted year round to the Church office, attention Philoptochos.

A decorative border of small, stylized Easter eggs with various patterns (stars, zig-zags, dots) surrounds the entire text of the flyer.

# *Philoptochos*

## *Easter Bake Sale*

*Friday, April 11 ~ 2 pm to 6 pm*  
*Saturday, April 12 ~ Noon to 4 pm*  
*Sunday, April 13 ~ Noon to 1:30 pm*

*FEATURING A LARGE ASSORTMENT  
OF DELICIOUS GREEK & AMERICAN  
PASTRIES & TSOUREKI (EASTER BREAD)*



*Parishioners please drop off your donated Pastries  
Wednesday, April 9 or Thursday, April 10  
from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM*

*ATTENTION....  
We need Bakers to make Pastries and to assist at the Bake Sale  
If you are available to help  
please contact Jeanette Vigliotti at (315) 481-7816*

*Proceeds to benefit local charities*



# Saturday of Lazarus

April 12, 2025

12:00pm—2:00pm

Come learn how to fold palms,  
Enjoy food and quality time  
with others!

All age groups welcome!







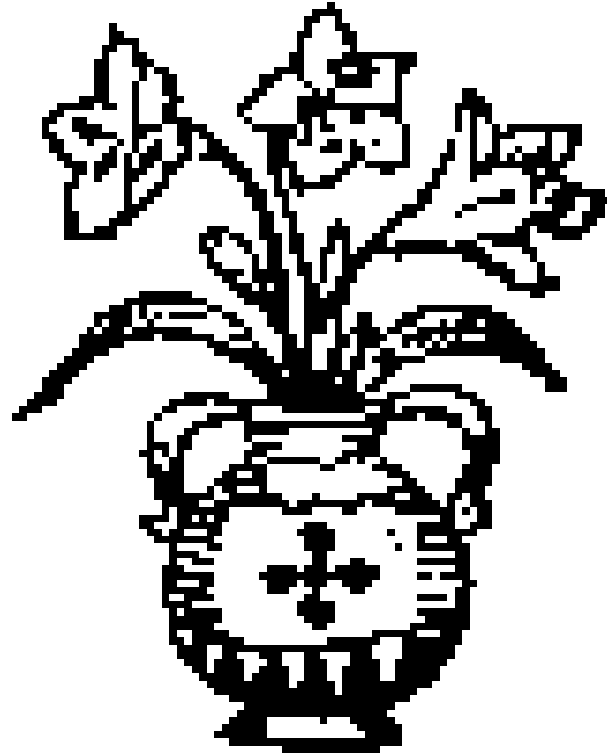
# Holy Friday Youth Retreat

Please join us on April 18th  
for our annual Holy Friday  
youth retreat!

Activities will begin at 11:00,  
and end no later than 3:00.

✦ Lunch  
✦ Lesson with Fr. David  
✦ Church Cleaning & Decorating  
✦ Myrrhbearer Rehearsal

*\*Excused absence letters for school can be  
provided by Fr. David*



***General Assembly Meeting***

***TODAY***  
***Following Liturgy***  
***in the Gymnasium***