


# The Philoptochos Phlash – November 3, 2026

On November 3, your Philoptochos met and discussed some of the things they are working on. Here is a summary of what they discussed.

**Family Western Coffee Hour** – November 8th following Liturgy in the Oaks – Plan to join us for a down-home barbecue supporting faith, family and fellowship. Tickets are $25 and include a delicious lunch with desserts, a fabulous raffle drawing and much more…

**Philanthropy and Donations** – We recently collected $801 to send to our Ecumenical Patriarchate, the holy center of our faith where our Patriarch Bartholomew resides. Thank you for your donations.

**New Custodial Support** – Father shared with us that our church is hiring two new custodians to carry on the wonderful work of Alvaro and Luis. They are being trained, and we will meet them very soon.

**Kicks for Kids** – On November 25 after Liturgy we will have a collection so we can purchase 100 pairs of new shoes for children in need. These children often begin the new school year with old shoes, often having outgrown them. We believe that we will fulfill all 100 pairs and include some much-needed school supplies, as well. Thank you for donating to this worthy cause. If you have not yet donated, check the latest Sunday bulletin for links to donate.

**Christmas Tea** – The Christmas season is upon us! Please join with your parish family to celebrate the Birth of Our Lord. There will be a delicious buffet, hot cider, warm coffee, and delightful Christmas music. Of course, we will have a raffle as well, including monetary gifts and the raffling of a beautifully decorated tree. Join us on December 13 to celebrate Christmas together. A mailing is on its way!

**Holiday Baking** – Very soon, we will be selling gift boxes of kourambiedes and melomakarona prepared by Othonia Makris and her crew. Enjoy these delicious offerings during holiday dinners or give as gifts to friends and family.

**Membership –** This is just a reminder to please send in your membership pledge for 2026. It is not too late. Go to www.goholycross.org. Follow the links to online giving.

With our love and appreciation,
*The Philoptochos of Holy Cross*