



The Philoptochos Phlash – October 6, 2026

- Angela Koros and the entire Board including Father Peter thanked all those who helped with our recent Name Day Vespers and Reception.
- Board members will visit Religious Education classes to explain to graduating seniors what the Church and Community Service Award is and how they can apply.
- Among our Adopt-a-Students from Holy Cross School, we are excited to “adopt” two young ladies who are studying theology.

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 – The board voted to send \$1,000 to St. Michael’s Orthodox Mission, \$3,000 to support the upcoming IOCC Food and Wine Event on November 1 at St. John the Divine Orthodox Church in Orinda and \$5,000 to Light the Path, which raises money to pay for seminarian’s tuitions. We are blessed to have a healthy budget, thanks to your membership and donations, which can support these wonderful ministries.

Kicks4Kids – On October 18 after Liturgy we will have a collection so we can purchase 100 pairs of new shoes for children in need. We have begun taking online donations as well as offers to purchase shoes directly. Click [this link](#) for more info.

First Step Shelter in San Mateo – On November 14 we will prepare and serve a delicious chicken lunch at the shelter. Contact Nina Azar for more information.

Sandwich Making – Emmy Denton and her wonderful volunteers are continuing to prepare 420 sandwiches each week. Look for information in the bulletin if you’d like to join them.

Care Closet – We collect money to purchase personal hygiene items for young students who may not be able to afford them. Contact Christine Hopkins for information.

Christmas Tea – Join us on December 13 to celebrate Christmas together. Much more information will follow including a mailing to the community.

Fashion Show, May 15, 2027 – We can’t reveal the theme yet, but you will want to join the fun! It will be colorful, a little wild and great fun. Much more information to follow.

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