Today **GODPARENTS LUNCH** - following Divine Liturgy. Join us as we honor our Godparents for their love and guidance. Sip & Celebrate! - Spritzes and Mimosas available for purchase. Admission for adults, $35; dancers and children 6 to 18, $20; 5 and under – FREE. Thank you for sending in your RSVP!



Today **LAST DAY! KICKS 4 KIDS NEW SHOE DRIVE** - Please donate! It's time once again to open our hearts and make a difference in the life of a child through our Kicks 4 Kids Shoe Drive. A new pair of shoes may seem like a small gift, but to a child in need, it can bring comfort, confidence, and a beautiful smile. We invite you to join us in this special ministry by donating a new pair of shoes and helping us put a smile on a child's face. Together, we can make a difference—one pair of shoes at a time. To sign up for a child https://sites.google.com/view/hcnewkicksforkids/home To make a monetary donation to Kicks 4 Kids https://www.goholycross.org/Philoptochos/Donation.aspx



Next Sunday **FALL GENERAL ASSEMBLY** – All members in good standing are encouraged to attend this important meeting in the life of our parish. Join us following Divine Liturgy in The Oaks. Agenda and previous minutes will be at our church website soon.

Sun Dec 6 **ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL** Holy Cross Christmas Program, immediately after liturgy in the church (not in the evening this year). Students will perform a 15 minute Nativity Play with singing by the students, choir & congregation. Breakfast with Santa in The Oaks, sponsored by our Dance Groups/Youth Council.



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COOKIES! For Thanksgiving and Christmas gifting (and nomming!). Call 650-593-2537 if you would like to purchase freshly-baked & beautifully-packaged melomakarona & kourambiedes.

INTERESTED IN MAKING PROSPHORA? We are looking for volunteers to make prosphora regularly for our church as a meaningful way to offer your time, work, and talents to the life of the Church. For years, a few faithful members of our parish have generously offered this service, and we hope to encourage new people to participate and follow in their footsteps. If you are interested in learning how to prepare and make prosphora for divine services, please contact Father Peter at frpeter@goholycross.org or Father Manoli at frmanoli@goholycross.org.



WANTED: SHEPHERDS, WISE MEN, ANGELS & MORE! Sign up your kids today for a role in our amazing Holy Cross Christmas Program on **Sun., Dec. 6, immediately after liturgy in the church** (replacing the evening program). This year's Program will have the Nativity Play only and will run 15 minutes. We hope all students will participate. Tell us your child's first and last name, age, grade, and whether they want a speaking role (1-3 lines), non-speaking role, or participate only in the singing. Rehearsal for everyone on **Sat., Dec. 5**, 11 am-12:30 pm. Additional rehearsals for speaking roles on **Thur & Fri, Dec. 3-4**, 6:45-8pm. Contact Eva Canellos, cecanellos@aol.com.



ARE YOU A MEMBER of the CHURCH of the HOLY CROSS? IF NOT, MAKE YOUR STEWARDSHIP 2026 COMMITMENT TODAY! – 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!

HOLY CROSS TREES - We began selling Christmas Trees to the local area in 2014. We will continue again this year, with the lot opening the Tuesday

before Thanksgiving. We are looking for adults and young people to help manage more of the operations. Email Fr. Peter or konstantines@goholycross.org.

HOLY CROSS PRESCHOOL AND PRE-KINDERGARTEN We are still enrolling students in our pre-Kindergarten class for the 2026-27 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

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

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Sunday, November 15 – Eighth Sunday of Luke – 8:45 AM, Orthros, 10:00 AM, Divine Liturgy
Monday, November 16 – Saint Matthew the Evangelist – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
Saturday, November 21 – Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
Saturday, November 21 – Great Vespers, 5:30 PM
Sunday, November 22 – Ninth Sunday of Luke – 8:45 AM, Orthros, 10:00 AM, Divine Liturgy
Wednesday, November 25 – Saint Katherine / Thanksgiving Eve – 6:00 PM, Orthros, 7:00 PM, Divine Liturgy
Saturday, November 28 – Great Vespers, 5:30 PM
Sunday, November 29 – Thirteenth Sunday of Luke – 8:45 AM, Orthros, 10:00 AM, Divine Liturgy
Monday, November 30 – Saint Andrew the First-Called Apostle – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy
Friday, December 4 – Saint Barbara the Great Martyr – 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy



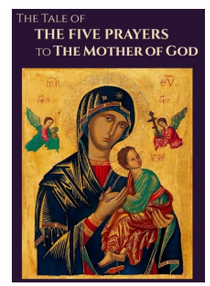
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OUR HOLY CROSS THREE HIERARCHS BOOKSTORE



For personal use or gift-giving, our shelves are filled with all that is Orthodox for adults and for children. The Tale of the Five Prayers to the Mother of God is described by St. Dimitri of Rostov as .. “Truly great are the promises contained in these short prayers for those who say them every day.” This small prayerbook in booklet form is filled with beautifully written icons throughout. Text by St. Dimitri of Rostov. Recommended by Elder Vitaly the "Earthly Angel, Heavenly Man" as part of one's daily prayer rule, along with the Rule of the Mother of God.

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.