

# THE VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



THE PRECIOUS AND ALL-HOLY CROSS

March 15, 2026

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
250 Gallows Hill Road, Westfield, New Jersey 07090  
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Live streaming services

Rev. Fr. Peter Delvizi, Parish Priest

On the Third Sunday of Great Lent we Venerate the Precious and Life-Giving Cross  
On this day, we commemorate St. Agapios the Martyr & His Companions; St. Manuel  
the New Martyr of Crete; St. Aristobulus, Apostle of the Seventy – Romans 16:10

### **Varis Tone**

**Ηχος Βαρύς**

**Morning Gospel:**

St. John 20:1-10

Ελληνικά

**Epistle Reading:**

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:1-6

Ελληνικά

**Gospel Reading:**

St. Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

Ελληνικά

**Apolytikion of the Resurrection:** “By Your cross, O Lord, You destroyed death; to the thief You opened paradise. The myrrh-bearers’ sorrow You transformed into joy, and You sent Your apostles forth to proclaim that You had risen from the dead, Christ our God, bestowing on all the world Your great mercy.”

**Apolytikion of Holy Cross:** “Save, O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance. Give victory to those who battle evil and protect us all by Your Holy Cross.”

**Apolytikion of the Church:** “Blessed are You, O Christ our Lord and God, You who made all wise the fishermen Your Apostles, sending down upon them Your Spirit, which is Holy and through their work drawing the world into Your net, glory to You Who loves mankind.”

**Kontakion:** “To you, Theotokos, invincible Defender, having been delivered from peril, I and your City [Constantinople], dedicate the victory festival as a thanksgiving offering. In your irresistible might, keep me safe from all trials, that I may cry out to you: ‘Hail, Unwedded Bride!’.”

### **Liturgical Schedule**

Wednesday, March 18, Presanctified Liturgy, 6:30 PM; Theosis, 8:00 PM

Friday, March 20, Akathist Hymn, 6:30 PM

Sunday, March 22, **Sunday of St. John Climacus**, Orthros, 8:15 AM;

Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Monday, March 23, Great Compline, 5:00 PM

Wednesday, March 25, **The Annunciation**, Orthros, 8:30 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

### **Sacraments and Rites**

**Funeral:** On Tuesday, March 10, the funeral service for Jean Fountas † was held at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Bethesda, MD. Eternal be her memory.

### **Veneration of the Holy Cross**

The daffodils decorating the Holy Cross have been kindly donated by Paul G. Stappas in loving memory of his wife Angela Elaine Stappas †. Eternal be her memory.

# Prayer Request



Gus, Thomas, Sean, Betty, Keela, Florence, Sandy, James, John, Athena, Stavroula, Dimetra, Danny, Dominique, Daniel, Elizabeth, John, Robert, Erin, Kevin, Sabrina, Luke, Bill, James, Ria, Eric, Joanne, Alexandra, Sophia, Nicholas, Eupraxia, James, Mary, Chris, Janeen, Harry, Kathy, Jennifer, John, Marina, George, Laura, George, Costa, Basil, Lemonia, Justin, Chris, Evangelia, Danny, Bill, Lou, Foula



## Cemetery Palm Cross Sale

Place your order for Cemetery Palm Crosses with Marina LoAlbo, [marinaloalbo@hotmail.com](mailto:marinaloalbo@hotmail.com) or Avi Kiriakatis [avikiriakatis@gmail.com](mailto:avikiriakatis@gmail.com). \$11 each. Pick up Sunday, March 29, during Fellowship Hour.



## The March Edition of *The Promise* is Now Available Online!

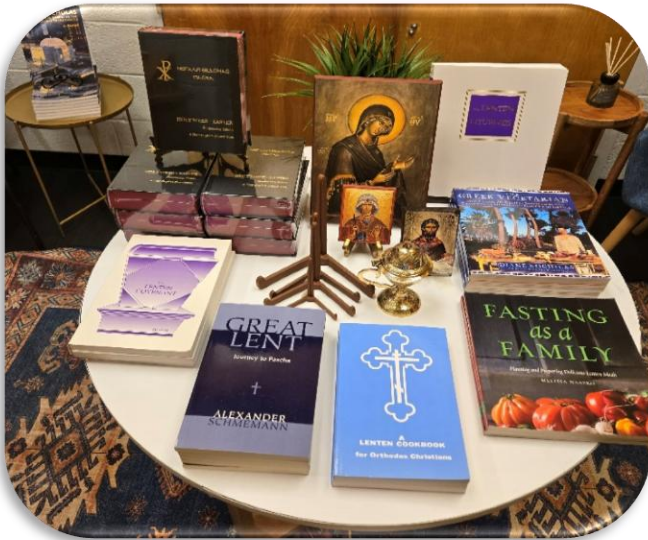
[www.HolyTrinityWestfield.org/the-promise](http://www.HolyTrinityWestfield.org/the-promise). Subscribe to Holy Trinity weekly emails providing news updates and announcements. Request at: [HolyTrinity@htgocnj.org](mailto:HolyTrinity@htgocnj.org)

## Welcome Visitors

Our parish welcomes those visiting our community. Worshipping the Holy Trinity is the principal act of an Orthodox parish, especially on the Day of the Resurrection (Sunday). Our mission is to live the Holy Gospel and spread the Good News to those in our area. We are sanctified by God's grace through the holy Sacraments and glorify Him each moment of the day. We seek God's mercy, as we confess the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Visit the Philoxenia/Fellowship table in the Bouras Center after service to meet parishioners and enjoy our Fellowship Hour.

## 2026 Stewardship Campaign Update

Thank you to the parishioners who submitted their pledge cards and stewardship gifts. As of March 10, we graciously received 250 pledges in the amount of \$381,797. Please remember to submit your pledge card which will help us meet our operating budget of \$1,096,400. We need participation and support from all our parishioners to help the church continue to grow and thrive. Stewardship Cards will be mailed to all members who have not submitted their annual pledge yet. They are also available in the pews or at the Pangari. The suggested pledge is \$2,200 per family and \$500 for young adults. The pledge card includes an option to identify your interest in volunteering by ministry.



### Bookstore - New Lenten Items

The bookstore now carries a variety of incense and charcoal to use for daily devotionals at home. Please check out these new items and books that help us understand Great Lent. Also, Holy Week books are now on sale.

### Theosis and Bible Study

**Start Your Lenten Journey by Reading the Gospel of St. John**  
**Wednesday, March 18 @ 7:50 PM**

Join the Theosis program as we resume our study of the Gospel penned by the Beloved Disciple of Christ. All are welcome to join in person or through Zoom every Wednesday night. Theosis is a wonderful way to open your eyes and heart to Christ's message of salvation as we traverse Great Lent together. Each class will begin after the Lenten Presanctified Liturgy ~ 7:50 PM.

**March 18** {Chapter 19, Crucifixion & Death};  
**April 1** {Chapters 20, The Empty Tomb & 21, Epilogues}  
**Zoom Meeting ID: 882 4043 6362**  
**Pass: John316**



### The Sunday of the Holy and Precious Cross Third Sunday of Great Lent

"Today, the third Sunday of Lent, we celebrate the veneration of the precious and Life-Giving Cross, and for this reason inasmuch as in the forty days of fasting, in a way we crucify ourselves...and become bitter and despondent and failing.

"The Life-Giving Cross is presented to us for refreshment and assurance, for remembrance of our Lord's Passion, and for comfort.... We are like those following a long and cruel path, who become tired, see a beautiful tree with many leaves, sit in its shadow and rest for a

while, and then, as if rejuvenated, continue their journey; likewise today, in the time of fasting and difficult journey and effort, the Life-Giving Cross was planted in our midst by the holy fathers to give us rest and refreshment, to make us light and courageous for the remaining task....

“Or, to give another example: When a king is coming, at first his banner and symbols appear, then he himself comes glad and rejoicing about his victory and filling with joy those under him; likewise, our Lord Jesus Christ, who is about to show us His victory over death, and appear to us in the glory of the Resurrection Day, is sending us in advance His scepter, the royal symbol -- the Life-Giving Cross -- and it fills us with joy and makes us ready to meet, inasmuch as it is possible for us, the King Himself, and to render glory to His victory....

“All this in the midst of Lent which is like a bitter source because of its tears, because also of its efforts and despondency.... but Christ comforts us who are as it were in a desert until he shall lead us up to the spiritual Jerusalem by His Resurrection.... For the Cross is called the Tree of Life; it is the tree that was planted in Paradise, and for this reason our fathers have planted it in the midst of Holy Lent, remembering both Adam’s bliss and how he was deprived of it, remembering also that partaking of this Tree we no longer die but are kept alive....” (From the *Synaxarion of the Third Sunday of the Great Fast*)

*“Come, Adam and Eve, our first father and mother, who fell from the choir on high through the envy of the murderer of man, when of old with bitter pleasure ye tasted from the tree in Paradise. See, the Tree of the Cross, revered by all, draws near. Run with haste and embrace it joyfully, and cry out to it with faith: O Precious Cross, thou art our succor; partaking of thy fruit, we have gained incorruption; we are restored once more to Eden, and we have received great mercy.”*

– Great Vespers of 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

**SUPPORT ORTHODOX MISSIONS**

**ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN MISSION CENTER**

**Virtual Coin Box Appeal**

**COIN BOX**

MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS

**HOW TO DONATE TO VIRTUAL COIN BOX APPEAL**

Use the QR Code to sign in to the Coin Box webpage or go to: <https://give.ocmc.org/coinbox>

- **Step 1** Select the Donate button
- **Step 2** Select your parish from the drop-down menu or just make a general donation.
- **Step 3** If you selected a parish, your donations will be applied to your Church's team.

All donations will appear on the thermometer on the front page. No need to pass out boxes or collect and count coins! Watch donations grow!

**Scan and give online**

<https://www.ocmc.org/coinbox>

Facebook, Instagram, YouTube icons

### Parish Lenten Mission Project - OCMC Coin Boxes

OCMC Coin Boxes that were taken at the start of Lent can be brought to church anytime. We thank you for filling the boxes, not only with money, but with Christian love.

Also new this year is a "Virtual Coin Box". Our Team Name is Holy Trinity Lenten Mission Coin Box Campaign. To access our Virtual Coin Box, [click here](#). From there, click the “Start or Join a Virtual Coin Box” button. Next click the “Join a team” button. To select our Team Name, you can enter Holy Trinity in the search field and/or scroll to our Team Name. To make your donation, choose the Sign In or Create an Account button.

## The Prayer of St. Ephraim the Syrian

This quintessential Lenten prayer is said every day throughout Great Lent. Incorporate this prayer into your own daily Lenten devotions. It is simple and allows us to become more aware of our Lord and the many virtues we need to acquire and the vices that need to end.



## The Presanctified Liturgy and Theosis - Wednesday Nights

Every Wednesday night the solemn Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts will be celebrated at 6:30 PM. This beautiful Liturgy lifts us spiritually during Great Lent. Please be reminded that fasting is required before receiving Holy Communion. Since this is an evening service, if you plan to receive Holy Communion, eat a very light lunch and keep a strict fast thereafter. After the Liturgy, you are invited to attend the Theosis Program at 7:50 PM in Room 101. This year we will study the Gospel according to St. John.

## Salutations to the Theotokos - Friday Nights

The Salutations or Akathist Hymn is celebrated every Friday night throughout Great Lent. Service begins at 6:30 PM. In this service, we call upon the protection and aid of the Mother of God. She is the one who is “Quick to Hear” and the “Port and Harbor” of those tossed about upon the waves of this world.

## 2026 Holy Friday Retreat – April 10

The Events and Individuals of Holy Week - Registration is free! Grades K-6: ~ 10 AM to 3 PM  
The Retreat will focus on theology, symbols, and hymns of Holy Week, Holy Friday and Pascha followed by the taking down from the Cross (Apokathelosis) from 3 PM to 4 PM. Parents are asked to attend the Apokathelosis. A Lenten lunch and midday snack will be included. For further information including how to register contact Pete Markos at [pmarkos307@gmail.com](mailto:pmarkos307@gmail.com)

### **Camp Good Shepherd – July 12 - 18**

Register now by visiting <http://app.campdoc.com/register/cgsn> For more information visit the updated Camp Good Shepherd (CGS) website <https://www.nj.goarch.org/camp-good-shepherd> including videos from CGS 2025. The overall goal of CGS is to give our campers a taste of actively living their Orthodox Christian faith, to connect them to Christ and His Church, and to offer them the chance to develop lasting relationships with their peers.

### **St. John Chrysostom Parish Oratorical Festival - Sunday, March 15**

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### **Greek Independence Day Celebration – Thursday, March 19**

Greek School children in grades PreK - 6 will celebrate Greek Independence Day with Greek songs, poems, and a play. 4 PM – 6 PM. Please come and enjoy our performance along with a complimentary meal provided by the Greek School PTO.

### **GOYA Outreach - Coat Drive, February 17 - March 22**

Let's share the warmth! Donate your new and/or unwanted worn coats and help others to stay warm. All worn coats will be accepted. Location to drop off is outside of the church office from February 17-March 22. All donations will benefit families of St. Joseph's Church in Newark NJ. Contact [kdrivas10@yahoo.com](mailto:kdrivas10@yahoo.com) with any questions.

### **Adult Greek Dance Lessons - Thursday, March 26**

Lessons will be offered by Ronnie Filippatos Fernandez one Thursday per month, \$25 per class. The next lesson is on March 26, 7 - 9 PM. We will enjoy some light drinks and appetizers while learning Greek dances. If interested, please send your name and phone number to [htgocgreekdance@gmail.com](mailto:htgocgreekdance@gmail.com). The remaining dates are: 4/23, 5/21.

## Holy Trinity/Philoptochos "Rise Against Hunger" - Saturday, March 28

Holy Trinity/Philoptochos is sponsoring a meal-packaging event with "Rise Against Hunger" on Saturday, March 28, 10 AM - 12 PM. Please come and help prepare soup bags (no cooking or supplies are needed). We need your helping hands. Volunteers of all ages welcome! Any donation to offset the cost is appreciated. Please sign up and/or donate via the QR code provided.



Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church of Westfield

### Annual Lenten Project Saturday March 28, 2026 | 9:30am-12pm



Help Us Fight Hunger — One Meal at a Time  
More donations = more meals



**How You Can Help**  
Volunteer & Donate — Scan QR code  
or sign up at the Philoptochos Table

**Our Goal**  
Goal: \$5,000  
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**Give What You Can. Feed More People.**

**Even a small donation helps provide nutritious meals to these in need.**

For more information, please stop by Philoptochos table or contact Kathy Maglaras or Maria Kanaras

Save the Date: Holy Trinity  
Westfield GreekFest 26!  
May 29, 30, 31

Join us!  
Westfield, NJ  
**GREEKFEST 26**  
Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

**May 29, 30, 31**

Friday 5 p.m. - 11pm	Saturday Noon - 11 pm	Sunday Noon - 6 pm
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Be an active part of our 2026 GreekFest! Please volunteer your time, talents & treasures. Everyone is needed to make our festival a success!  
To sign up, simply scan the QR code or go to:  
<https://bit.ly/Greekfest26Volunteers>

## TOTS (Trinity Orthodox Toddler Social) - April 22

Our next meeting is Wednesday, April 22, 9:30 - 11:30 AM in the preschool room. Children 18 months-Pre-K are welcome with their caregiver (younger siblings welcome!). Bring water, sneakers, and a snack. Contact Val Comprelli 612-801-8608 or [vcomprelli@gmail.com](mailto:vcomprelli@gmail.com) to sign-up or with any questions.

## Save the Date: Greek Independence Day Parade - Sunday, April 26

Join Holy Trinity on Sunday, April 26, 1:30 PM in New York for the 87<sup>th</sup> NY Greek Independence Day Parade! This marks 205 years since March 25, 1821, the start of the Greek Revolution for liberation from the Ottoman Turkish yoke. Wear your best blue and white and join us for a march on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 61<sup>st</sup> to 74<sup>th</sup> street! More information and details will be shared closer to the date.

## Save the Date: Philoptochos Dinner and Fashion Show - Tuesday, April 28

Our Ladies Philoptochos' annually popular Dinner and Fashion Show will be held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at Brooklake Country Club in Florham Park, NJ. Features include Leslie Patrizio Fashions, fabulous gift raffle prizes, Special VIP Raffle with a Dior tote bag and scarf; and much more. For information contact Cassandra Romas, [kromas22409@gmail.com](mailto:kromas22409@gmail.com)

## Angel Choir (Ages 7-12) - 2026 Update

The Angel Choir has joined the Adult Choir on Sundays. Membership continues to grow and new members are welcome any time of the year. Angel Choir practices are after Sunday School. Children should meet the director for practice in church in the choir pews. For more information contact Anne Kernoski, [akernoski@gmail.com](mailto:akernoski@gmail.com)



**Join the Choir...**  
**You'll Be Glad  
You Did!**

**Adult Choir for ages 18 to senior citizens**



**Angel Choir for boys and girls ages 7-12**



**Byzan "teens" for boys and girls Ages 13-17**

**For more information, email Anne Kernoski, Choir Director:**

**[akernoski@gmail.com](mailto:akernoski@gmail.com)**

[Click here to sign up](#)

*Come join us for  
Adult Greek Dance*

**Now offering Greek Dance  
Lessons for adults!**

Practices will take place once a month in the  
Bouras Center

10/16, 11/20, 1/22, 2/19, 3/26, 4/23, 5/21

\$25/class  
Scan here to sign up

Please contact the instructor  
Ronnie Filippatos  
for more information  
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*join us for*  
**GREEK DANCE  
LESSONS**



COME BE A PART OF THE HOLY TRINITY  
GREEK DANCE GROUP!

Classes offered for grades  
PreK-12  
and adults as well!

Contact: Ronnie Filippatos Fernandez  
908-672-6203  
Htgocgreekdance@gmail.com



# **Upcoming Events**

**February 17 – March 22, 2026**

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COAT DRIVE**



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**JOIN THOUSANDS  
OF YOUTH ACROSS  
THE NATION AND  
SHARE YOUR  
FAITH!**



## 2026 ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ORATORICAL FESTIVAL

Senior Division (Grades 10-12) • Junior Division (Grades 7-9)

### AWARDS

National finalists are eligible to receive the following:

**St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Scholarship: \$750 to \$3000**

**FAITH: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism:** to be announced

Finalists at any level are eligible to receive the following:

**Chrysostom Scholarship to Hellenic College: \$2,500 up to \$30,000 per year**

Parish Festival Date & Time: March 15, 2026. Right after the Divine Liturgy

Parish Chairperson: Peter Tarhanidis

Contact Information: [ptarhanidis@gmail.com](mailto:ptarhanidis@gmail.com)

Find the topics, tips, manual & award information at:

**[www.religioused.goarch.org](http://www.religioused.goarch.org)**

Department of Religious Education (DRE), Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America



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Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church of Westfield

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**HOLY TRINITY GREEK SCHOOL PTO 2026 TSOUREKI FUNDRAISER**  
**PRE ORDER COST \$12 EACH**  
**PALM SUNDAY SALE WILL GO UP TO \$14.00**



**PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED ORDER FORM WITH PAYMENT TO YOUR CHILD'S  
GREEK SCHOOL TEACHER OR TO A PTO MEMBER**  
**DEADLINE: SUNDAY, MARCH 29th**

**ORDERS ARE TO BE PICKED UP ON SUNDAY, **APRIL 5th (PALM SUNDAY)****

**FAMILY NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CELL PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**QUANTITY WITH RED EGG:** \_\_\_\_\_

**QUANTITY WITHOUT RED EGG:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL QUANTITY:** \_\_\_\_\_

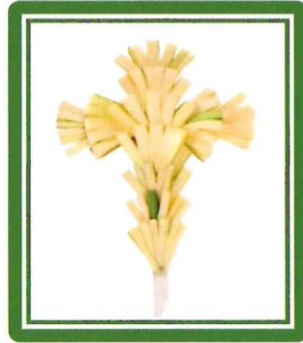
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**TSOUREKIA TO BE SUPPLIED BY VICTORY BAKERY IN ASTORIA, NEW YORK**  
**PAYABLE BY CASH, VENMO (@WestfieldGreekSchool) OR CHECK MADE OUT TO:**  
**HOLY TRINITY GREEKSCHOOL PTO**

**Order below:**

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**March 29, 2026**



# EASTER PALM CROSSES



**Place your order for Cemetery Palm Crosses**

**Cost: \$11 each**

**Pick-up on Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>**

**During Fellowship Hour**

**Contact Trinity Circle**

**Marina LoAlbo or Avi Kiriakatis**

**marinaloalbo@hotmail.com**

**avikiriakatis@gmail.com**

**908-272-4341**

**908-276-1536**

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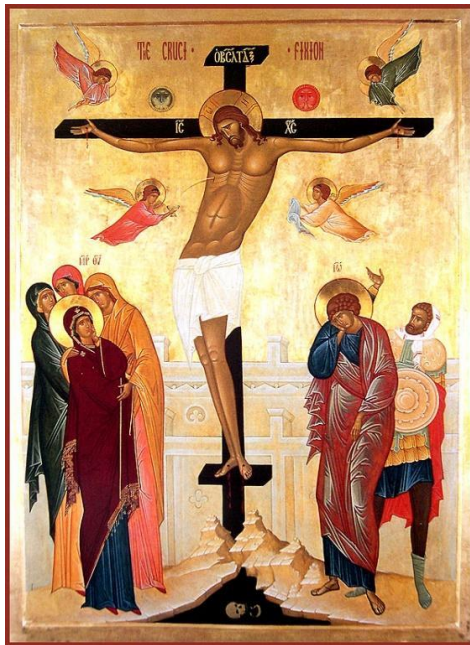
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***Please make checks payable to Trinity Circle***

**April 10, 2026**

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**SAVE THE DATE TO JOIN HOLY TRINITY**

**SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2026**

**TIME: 1:30 PM**

March on 5th Avenue from 61st to 74th streets for the  
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**WEAR YOUR BEST BLUE AND WHITE**

**INFORMATION & DETAILS WILL BE SHARED CLOSER TO THE DATE**



# April 28, 2026

The Ladies Philoptochos Society  
Of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
in Westfield, New Jersey  
Cordially invites you to

## *Rays of Hope*

Annual Dinner Fashion Show

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Brooklake Country Club  
139 Brooklake Road  
Florham Park, New Jersey

Reception and Raffles - 5:30 pm  
Dinner and Fashion Show - 7:00 pm

Fashions by

*Leslie Patrizio*

Featuring our Raffles: Gift Basket Raffle, Grand Raffle  
Special VIP-Dior Bag & Dior Twill Scarf, 50/50 Raffles

# Rays of Hope

April 28th, 2026  
BROOKLAKE COUNTRY CLUB

Presented by  
Holy Trinity Ladies Philoptochos Society

Annual Dinner Fashion Show

In support of Mental Health  
*Hope Shines Brightest When We Gather Together*



— VIP RAFFLE —  
Dior Purse & Scarf  
Only 250 Tickets

Curated Gift Basket Raffle • 50/50  
Grand Raffle Drawing • 5 Winners



TO PAY ONLINE



Featuring *blomingdales* & Sareh Nouri  
**RESERVE YOUR SEAT**

# May 7, 2026

*Come join us for  
Adult Greek Dance*

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GET READY FOR FESTIVAL SEASON!

Brush up on your Greek dancing skills while supporting our Greek Dance Ministry!

Join our Hellenic dancers  
Ronnie Filippatos & Nick Fourniadis for  
a fun evening of Learning the most popular Greek dances, Drinks &  
appetizers, Music, laughter, and community

Whether you're a beginner or just want to refresh your steps, this will  
be a great night to get ready for festival season!

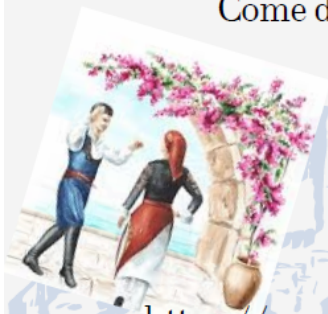
Date: May 7

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Location: Bouras Center

Attire: Casual / Comfortable

Come dance, laugh, and celebrate our Greek culture!



Adults Only  
\$25 per person

Venmo: @westfieldgreekschool

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D45ABAA28A5FBC34-62862328-fundraiser>

# May 29 - 31, 2026

*Join us!*

Westfield, NJ  
**GREEK FEST 26**  
Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

## May 29, 30, 31

Friday  
5 p.m. - 11pm

Saturday  
Noon - 11 pm

Sunday  
Noon - 6 pm



Be an active part of our 2026 GreekFest! Please volunteer your time, talents & treasures. Everyone is needed to make our festival a success!

To sign up, simply scan the QR code or go to:

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## **T.O.T.S.- (Trinity Orthodox Toddler Social)**

### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Trinity Orthodox Toddler Social (T.O.T.S.) of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church is to provide an environment fostering fellowship and prayer for children aged 18 months to 4 years of age and their mother, father and/or caregiver. Children are encouraged to develop a sense of comfort and security in God's house while experimenting in independent and cooperative age-appropriate play under their caregiver's supervision. Concurrently, the toddler social enables these adults the opportunity to meet, pray, and socialize.

**TOTS meetings: Wednesdays, 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM, Pre-K Room**

**2026**  
**April 22**  
**May 13, 27**

Bring water, sneakers and a snack. Contact Val Comprelli ([vcomprelli@gmail.com](mailto:vcomprelli@gmail.com) or 612-801-8608) to sign up or to ask any questions.

