

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT



THE ANNUNCIATION

March 22, 2026

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
250 Gallows Hill Road, Westfield, New Jersey 07090  
908.233.8533     [www.holytrinitywestfield.org](http://www.holytrinitywestfield.org)  
Live streaming services

Rev. Fr. Peter Delvzizis, Parish Priest

On Sunday we commemorate our Righteous Father St. John Climacus, Author of the Ladder of Divine Ascent; Our Holy Father St. Theonas, Archbishop of Thessaloniki; We also commemorate St. Basil the Holy Martyr of Ancyra; St. Kalliniki and St. Vassilisa the Martyrs; St. Euthemios the New Martyr

### **Plagal Fourth Tone**

**Ἦχος Πλ. Δ'**

Morning Gospel:	<u>St. John 20:11-18</u>	<u>Ελληνικά</u>
Epistle Reading:	<u>Hebrews 6:13-20</u>	<u>Ελληνικά</u>
Gospel Reading:	<u>Mark 9:17-31</u>	<u>Ελληνικά</u>

**Apolytikion of the Resurrection:** “From on high You descended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the Cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bondage of sin, O our Life and Resurrection, Glory to You, O Lord.”

**Apolytikion of St. John:** “With the rivers of your tears, you have made the barren desert fertile. Through sighs of sorrow from deep within you, your labors have borne fruit a hundred-fold. By your miracles you have become a light, shining upon the world. O John, our Holy Father, pray to Christ our God, to save our souls.”

**Apolytikion of St. Theonas:** “Guide of Orthodoxy, teacher of piety and modesty, the beauty of monastics, the ornament of hierarch, O venerable Father Theonas. The boast of Thessaloniki, the lyre of the Spirit, entreat that our souls may be saved.”

**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**

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

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

Friday, March 27, Akathist Hymn, 6:30 PM

Sunday, March 29, **St. Mary of Egypt**, Orthros, 8:15 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Tuesday, March 31, Lenten Vespers, 5:00 PM

Wednesday, April 1, Presanctified Liturgy, 6:30 PM; Theosis, 8:00 PM

### **Altar Donations**

**Altar Candles:** In loving memory of Andrew G. Andrews†

**Large Candles:** In loving memory of Pericles Gianakis†

## Sacraments and Rites

**Churching:** On Sunday two 40-day blessings will be celebrated. Viviana Angelica Frasciello, daughter of Katerina and Joseph Frasciello. Ella Sophia Liakas, daughter of Irenise and Nick Liakas.



Jeremy, John, Gregory, 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 from the Gospel of St. John

Wednesday, April 1 @ 7:50 PM

The Theosis program will conclude our study of the Gospel According to St. John on April 1. All are welcome to join in person or through Zoom. Theosis is a wonderful way to open your eyes and heart to Christ's message of salvation.

March 25, No Class

Christ's Resurrection

April 1, {Chapters 20, The Empty Tomb & 21, Epilogues}

Zoom Meeting ID: 882 4043 6362

Pass: John316

### 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 [kddivas10@yahoo.com](mailto:kddivas10@yahoo.com) with any questions.



## THE ANNUNCIATION - March 25

When the All-Holy Virgin was entering her fifteenth year, after having spent eleven years of living and serving in the Temple of Jerusalem, the priests informed her that, according to the Law, she could not remain in the Temple but was required to be betrothed and enter into marriage. The answer of the All-Holy Virgin was a great surprise to the priests. At that young age, she had already dedicated her life to God and desired to remain a Virgin until death. Then, according to Divine Providence, Zacharias, the high priest and father of the Forerunner John the Baptist under the inspiration of God and in agreement with the other priests, gathered twelve unwed men from the Tribe of David to betroth the Virgin Mary to one of them to preserve her virginity and to care for her. Thus, she was betrothed to Joseph of Nazareth who was her kinsman. In the house of Joseph, the All-Holy Virgin continued to live as she did in the Temple of Solomon, occupying her time in the reading of Sacred Scripture, in prayer, in Godly-thoughts, in fasting and in handiwork. She rarely went anywhere outside the house nor was she interested in worldly things and events. She spoke very little to anyone, and never without special need. More frequently she communicated with both of Joseph's daughters.

When the fullness of time had come, as prophesied by Daniel the Prophet, and when God was pleased to fulfill His promise to the banished Adam and to the Prophets, Archangel Gabriel appeared in the chamber of the All-Holy Virgin and, as some priests wrote, precisely at that same moment when she held open the book of the Prophet Isaiah and was contemplating his great prophecy: "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a son!" (Isaiah 7:13). Gabriel appeared in all of his angelic brightness and saluted her: "Rejoice, highly favored one! The Lord is with you" (St. Luke 1:28). With this angelic Annunciation and the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Virgin, the salvation of mankind and restoration of all creation began. The history of the New Testament was opened by the words of the Archangel Gabriel: "Rejoice, highly favored one." This is to imply that the New Testament was to signify joy to mankind and to all creation. It is from this that the Annunciation is considered not only a great feast, but a joyful feast as well.

### **The Holy Mother of God (Theotokos)**

O what Wonderful News: Rejoice, All-pure One. For us, you gave birth to Christ! O Joyful News: Rejoice, O Virgin, Radiant Dove! Rejoice, O Mary, Full of Grace. O Burning Bush, unconsumed, the Dawn of New Splendor! The Archangel rejoices and proclaims the Annunciation to all in Heaven and on Earth! In the Temple, you served. You consecrated yourself to God. Rejoice, O Pure One, Heavenly Bride, you are the Royal Throne! Rejoice, O

Humble one, to the Humble One, you will give birth so that the world can be regenerated. Rejoice, O Obedient One, God heard you and crowned you with glory! Rejoice, O Tearful One, by tears softened, by the Spirit glistening! Rejoice, O Poor One, but the Wealthiest One and brighter than the sun! For us, plead joy, from Christ your Son! O Virgin, All-Pure One!



**Our Holy Father St. Theonas, Archbishop of Thessaloniki**  
**Fourth Sunday of Great Lent and April 4**

The three holy relics at Holy Trinity are St. Theonas, Archbishop of Thessaloniki (April 4); St. Anastasia the Pharmakolitria (Dec. 22); and St. Theodore the General (Feb. 8). God has blessed us with the presence of these saints. They are with us at every divine service, interceding for the salvation of our souls. St. Theonas was probably born in the second half of the 15th century. We know nothing about his life before he went to Mount Athos. At first he lived as an ascetic in the Pantokratoros Monastery, where he was ordained a Priest. Then he joined the brotherhood of St. Iakovos the Neomartyr, who lived as a monk above Iveron Monastery, in the Skete of the Honorable Forerunner. Around 1518 Saint Iakovos and his brotherhood of six monks, among whom was Theonas, fled to the interior of Mount Athos. After a vision appeared to the Elder, they departed Mount Athos. St. Theonas became abbot of the Monastery of St. Anastasia the Pharmakolitria, according to various sources, until 1535. His ascent to the hierarchical throne of Thessaloniki must have taken place around that time, because the Metropolitan of Thessaloniki was Joasaph until 1535, and in a document from 1538 St. Theonas is referred to as the Metropolitan of Thessaloniki. The sacred relic of St. Theonas, immediately after his repose, was translated in a miraculous way to the Monastery of St. Anastasia the Pharmakolitria.

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**Virtual Coin Box Appeal**

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**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>

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**Parish Lenten Mission Project**

**OCMC Coin Boxes – Return Next Sunday**

The OCMC Coin Boxes that were distributed to the entire parish at the beginning of Lent will be collected next Sunday, March 29. All money raised will help fund the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC).

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)

## 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 Greek Orthodox Church of Westfield

### Annual Lenten Project

**Saturday March 28, 2026 | 9:30am-12pm**



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

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.



## Joy/Hope –March 28

Join us for a Joy/Hope event filled with games, music, and fun! Saturday, March 28, 5-8 PM in the Bouras Center. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. RSVP by March 25 to Marissa Asfour at 201-841-5739 or [asfourmarissa@gmail.com](mailto:asfourmarissa@gmail.com)

## Spirit of Lent Concert - April 3

Come and savor the beautiful music of our Orthodox Lenten season on Friday, April 3, 7:30 PM, at St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church, Flemington, NJ. The choir is made up of singers from churches throughout North and Central New Jersey. This spiritual music elevates singers and listeners alike. Following the concert, the host parish is offering a reception with refreshments and fellowship. Scan the QR code for more information.



### 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.

### Please help - Palm Cross Preparation – April 4

Please join us in the Bouras Center on Saturday, April 4 to help tie Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday distribution. The process will begin immediately after the Divine Liturgy on Saturday of Lazarus. No experience is necessary. Your Stewardship and Fellowship are important components helping to make Holy Week special.

### Palm Sunday Fellowship - April 5

A special Palm Sunday Fellowship Hour will be hosted by the Ladies Philoptochos. Kindly assist us by contributing one of the following: fruit (e.g. strawberries, orange slices, grapes, blueberries, etc.) washed and ready for platters, mini bagels sliced and mini muffins. Please sign up at the Philoptochos table or contact Marigo Markos at [mchantzis@aol.com](mailto:mchantzis@aol.com) or 908-578-9330.

### 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

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### Save the Date: Ladies Philoptochos Fashion Show – Tuesday, April 28

Our popular annual 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 and Special VIP Raffle with a Dior tote bag and scarf. For information contact Cassandra Romas, [kromas22409@gmail.com](mailto:kromas22409@gmail.com)



Westfield, NJ  
**GREEKFEST 26**  
Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

<b>May 29, 30, 31</b>		
Friday 5 p.m. - 11 pm	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:  
<https://bit.ly/Greekfest26Volunteers>

Save the Date: Holy Trinity Westfield GreekFest 26!

May 29, 30, 31

## 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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LESSONS**



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

Classes offered for grades  
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908-672-6203  
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# **Upcoming Events**

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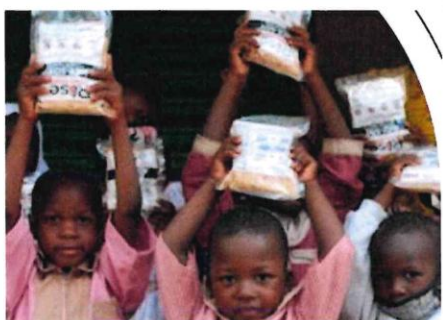
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**HOLY TRINITY GREEK SCHOOL PTO 2026 TSOUREKI FUNDRAISER**  
**PRE ORDER COST \$12 EACH**  
**PALM SUNDAY SALE WILL GO UP TO \$14.00**



**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:** \_\_\_\_\_

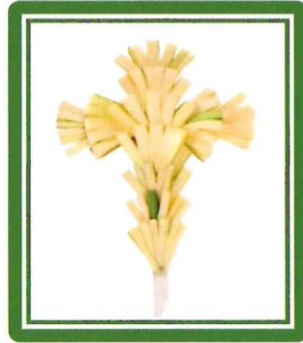
**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:** \_\_\_\_\_

**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](mailto:marinaloalbo@hotmail.com)

[avikiriakatis@gmail.com](mailto:avikiriakatis@gmail.com)

908-272-4341

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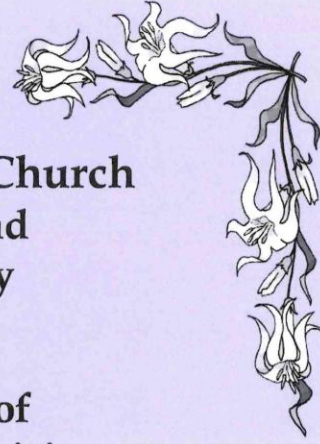
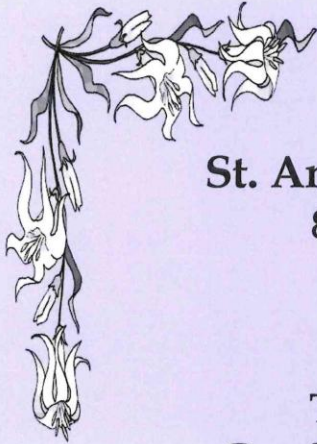
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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

# of Crosses \_\_\_\_\_ x \$11.00 each = Total \_\_\_\_\_

Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to Trinity Circle*

**April 3, 2026**



**St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church  
85 Voorhees Corner Road  
Flemington, New Jersey**

is pleased to host

**The Eastern Federation of  
Greek Orthodox Church Musicians  
District of New Jersey**

*33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary*

*The Spirit of Lent Concert*

**A Choral Offering of  
Ancient and Modern Works in  
English and Greek**

**Ryan J. Kiel, Director  
E. Hope Demitry, Organist**

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**Friday, April 3, 2026**

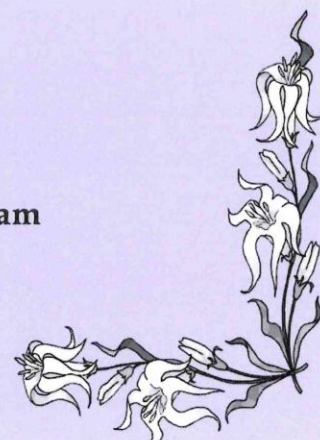
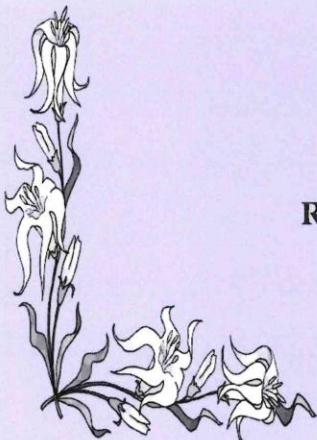
**7:30 p.m.**

**Suggested Donation \$10.00**

**Students free**

**Refreshments following program**

**More information:**



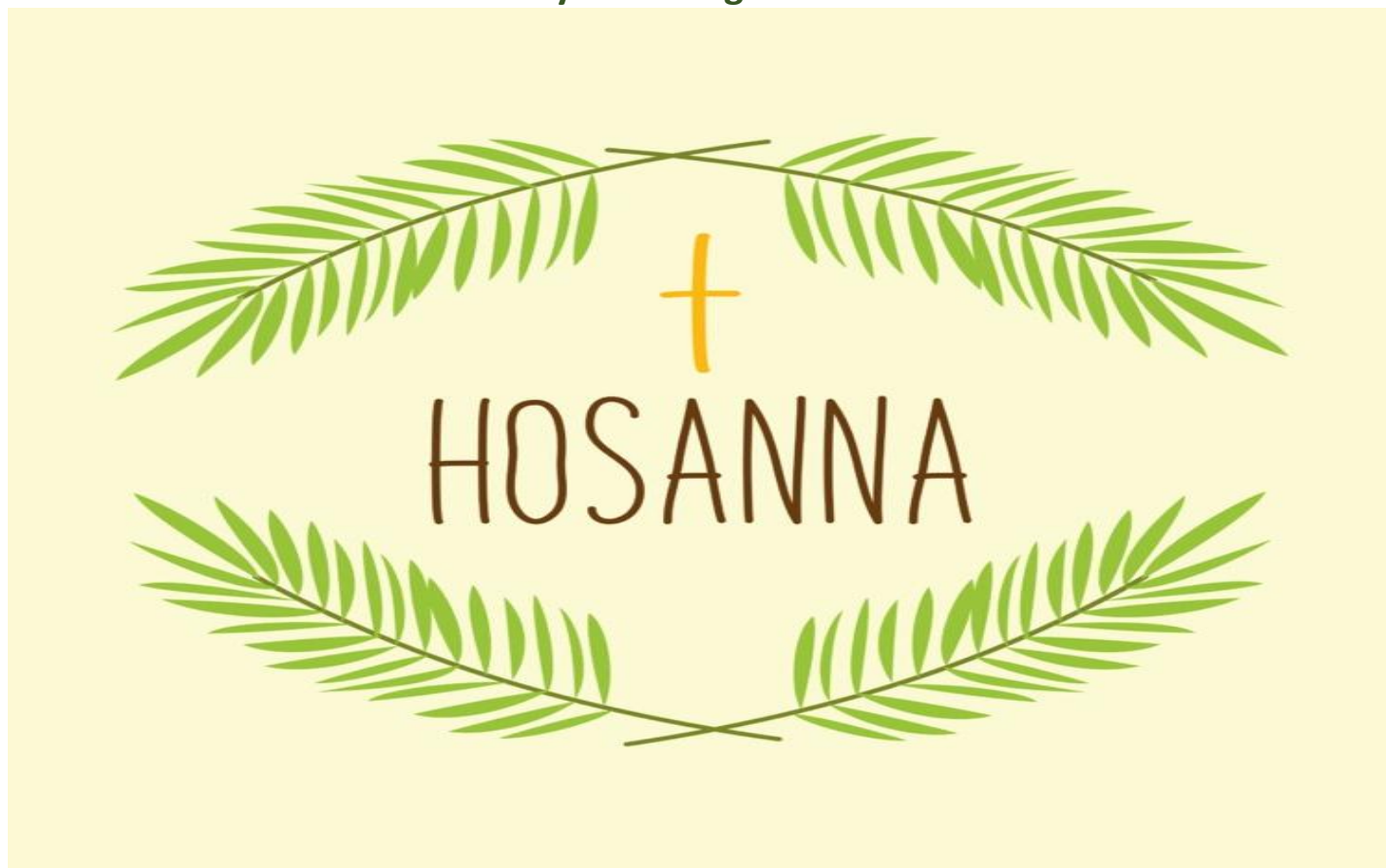
# April 5, 2026

**PALM SUNDAY**

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

Join Us on April 5th, 2026

Immediately following Church Services



Your food donations, set-up and clean-up help is truly appreciated!

Please sign up at the Philoptochos Table by Sunday, March 29th

or contact Marigo Markos at [mchantzis@aol.com](mailto:mchantzis@aol.com)

**April 10, 2026**

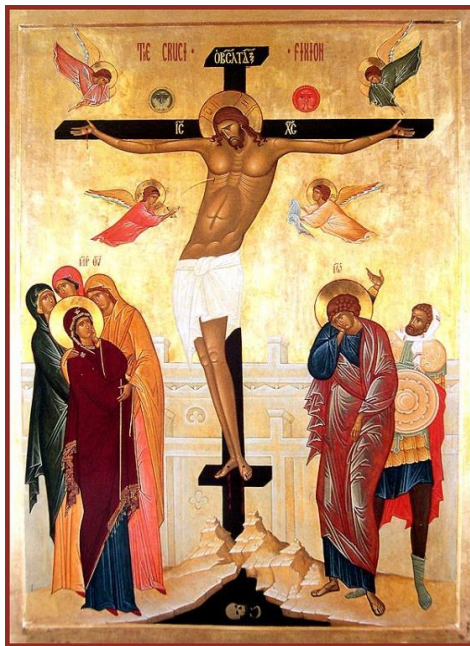
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**TIME: 1:30 PM**

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**WEAR YOUR BEST BLUE AND WHITE**

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



# April 28, 2026

## 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 *bloomingdales* & 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!

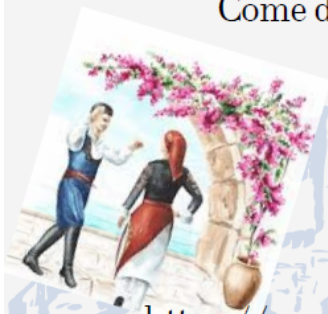
Date: May 7

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: @westfieldgriekschool

<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:

<https://bit.ly/Greekfest26Volunteers>



## **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.



**GLORY BE TO GOD FOR ALL THINGS**

**✠ AMEN ✠**