



Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church  
**THE WEEKLY CHURCH BULLETIN**

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**SUNDAY, MAY 12, 2019**

Κυριακή 12η Μαΐου 2019  
ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΜΥΡΟΦΟΡΩΝ  
Αποστ: Πραξ. 6:1-7  
Ευαγγ: Λουκα 24:1-12

Sunday of the Myrrhbearers  
Today's Readings  
Epistle: Acts: 6:1-7  
Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

*Χριστός Ανέστη! Christ is Risen!*



**OUR MOTHERS – GOD'S GIFT OF LOVE**



Inside the celebratory days of the Lord's Resurrection, we also remember God's greatest example of love: Our Mothers. Agatha Christie said "A mother's love for her child is like nothing else in the world. It knows no law, no pity, it dares all things and crushes down remorselessly all that stands in its path." Her depiction in words is one that is seen in actions every day in every corner of the Earth. Our Mothers represent the masterpiece of creation, and God's love for all can be seen in the example of Christ's own mother, the Virgin Mary, who illustrates the love of a mother so graphically in a standard that we must hope to achieve in understanding, living and sharing God's love to all. A mother's love does not boast of its unselfish ways. It does not force or command attention, but quietly awaits our responding love. And if that response takes longer than it should or doesn't come forth at all, a Mother's love does not end but continually waits in patient hope and prayer. Yes, we learn how to love, and what love is, through the experience of our Mother's love.

Our Risen Lord is our example of love, but the teachers of love are our Mothers. So many words have been written and much more is in our hearts of the love we receive from our mothers, but what God has put into them is always placed into our everyday lives. God's love is vigilant, and our Mothers always keep vigil. God's love is embracing, and our Mothers are always giving us their best hug. God's love is strong, and our Mothers always show us the correct path and discipline. God's love gives us all the best gifts in life, and our Mothers always make sure we understand all the gifts that we have been given. God's love shines through wisdom, and our Mothers are truly all-wise. God's love is a sacrifice, and our Mothers are always sacrificing. God's love is eternal, and our Mothers love never ends. God's love gives life, and our Mothers gave all of us life.

In our thoughts and prayers on the day we celebrate our dear mothers, we should consider: Why do our Mothers live without certain things, so that their children may have? Why do our Mothers rejoice even greater in their children's accomplishments than they do their own? Why our Lord presented to us His greatest gift in the example of True Love in our Mothers? May the Blessings of our Lord, through the prayers of our grateful hearts, be upon each and every one of our Mothers!

**COMING EVENTS AT OUR PARISH:**

*Feastday of our*

*Patron Saints Constantine and Helen*

Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> - 7 p.m. Great Vespers

Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> - 8 a.m. Orthros & Liturgy

*Metropolis of Chicago Junior Olympics*

Friday, May 24 – Sunday, May 26

**2019 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN**

***Let us all do our Best for Our Church...***

The needs of our Parish are many!  
Please make your commitment now to our  
Stewardship 2019 Campaign.

**You may do so in person,  
by mail or online at:  
[www.stconstantinehelen.org](http://www.stconstantinehelen.org)**

***Sign up  
today!***



**The Annual Fr. Byron Golf Open  
and Dinner**

will take place on  
**Thursday, June 20, 2019**  
at the

Odyssey Country Club

Registration & Continental Breakfast:  
10:00 a.m.

Shotgun Start: 12:00 p.m.

Cocktails: 5:30 p.m.

Dinner: 6:00 p.m.

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

**More information  
to come!**

**HANDY PEOPLE NEEDED**

Our parish is always looking for people with skills in the areas of plumbing, electrical or carpentry. Please consider volunteering your time and talents to help us reduce our facility expenses. Please contact the church office at 708-974-3400 if you can help us.

***Koraes News***

It's been a wonderfully joyful month for our Koraes students! The Hellenic Bar Association (HBA) visited our middle school students for the annual Law Day Essay and presented the winners of this year's essay contest. Congratulations to eighth grade student John Vranas and sixth grade student Christos Giapitzoglou for their winning essays. The IJAS Science Fair was held at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale last weekend. Six students attended and all six received the following awards:

Mariella Andrews, Gold - Engineering

Anthony Haddad, Gold - Botany

Mariah Karamagianis, Silver - Botany

Alexandria Maropakis, Silver - Chemistry

Sandra Nemeh, Silver - Physics

John Vranas, Silver - Health Sciences

Congratulations to the these sixth grade students Jovana Maksimovich, Philip Haddad, Faith Barnes, Christos Giapitzoglou, and Alex Spatharakis who competed in the Battle of the Books at Chicago Ridge Public Library. Students put in extra time outside of the school reading.

Congratulations to Dino Toullos and Constantine Alex who were recognized by the Hickory Hills Kiwanis Club when they were honored with the Encourage Excellence Award for their academic efforts this year!

*Beth Lind, Principal*

***SOMETHING NEW AND EXCITING  
ON OUR WEBSITE***

"We are excited to announce something new for our parish. If you have pictures from events that take place in our church and school, please email them to [sschphotos@gmail.com](mailto:sschphotos@gmail.com) and you just might find them on our website soon!"

We have begun posting pictures to our website, come take a look.



## *Χριστός Ἀνέστη! - Ἀληθῶς Ἀνέστη!*

### ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΜΥΡΟΦΟΡΩΝ

Ἡ Κυριακὴ αὐτὴ εἶναι ἀφιερωμένη στὶς Μυροφόρες ἐκεῖνες γυναῖκες, ποῦ πῆγαν νὰ ἀλείψουν μὲ μύρα τὸ σῶμα τοῦ Κυρίου, καθὼς ἐπίσης καὶ στοὺς δύο ἐκείνους ἄρχοντες, τὸν Ἰωσήφ τὸν ἀπὸ Ἀριμαθαίας καὶ τὸν Νικοδήμο <sup>48</sup>. Πρόκειται γιὰ μεγάλες καὶ δυνατὲς μορφὲς ποῦ μεταξὺ ἄλλων μᾶς δίδουν καὶ τὰ ἐξῆς δύο μηνύματα:

α) Ἡ τόλμη τοῦ Ἰωσήφ καὶ τοῦ Νικοδήμου, ποῦ ἔδειξαν κατὰ τὴν κρίσιμη ὥρα τοῦ θανάτου τοῦ Κυρίου, ἀποτελεῖ βασικὴ ἔκφρασι τῆς χριστιανικῆς μαρτυρίας. Ὁ πιστὸς δείχνει τὴν πιστότητά του στὸν Σταυρωθέντα Χριστὸ, ὄχι μόνο τὶς ὥρες ποῦ τὸ Εὐαγγέλιο θριαμβεύει, ἀλλὰ κυρίως στὴν περίοδο τῶν διωγμῶν καὶ τῆς θυσίας.

β) Ἡ μεγάλη ἀγάπη τῶν Μυροφόρων πρὸς τὸν Κύριο τὶς ἀξιώνει πρῶτες αὐτὲς νὰ τὸν ἴδουῖν ἀναστάντα καὶ νὰ ἀκούσουν, ἀλλὰ καὶ νὰ μεταφέρουν τὸ μήνυμα τῆς Ἀναστάσεως. Αὐτὸ σημαίνει ὅτι ἡ ἀγάπη πρὸς τὸν Σωτῆρα Χριστὸ εἶναι ὁ μόνος καὶ ὁ πιὸ ἀσφαλῆς δρόμος ποῦ ὁδηγεῖ τὸν ἄνθρωπο στὴν Θεογνωσία.

#### Κυριακὴ 19ῆ Μαΐου

#### ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΠΑΡΑΛΗΤΟΥ

Ὡρα 8·30 - 11·15 π.μ. - Ὁρθρος καὶ Θεία Λειτουργία

#### Δευτέρα 20ῆ Μαΐου

#### ΤΑ ΟΝΟΜΑΣΤΗΡΙΑ ΤΗΣ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΣ ΜΑΣ

Ὡρα 7·00 μ.μ. - Μέγας Πανηγυρικός Ἑσπερινός  
Τῆς πανηγύρεως θά προεξάρχη ὁ Μητροπολίτης μας  
κ. κ. ΝΑΘΑΝΑΗΛ

Ἡ Φιλόπτωχος Ἀδελφότης ΑΓΙΑ ΕΛΕΝΗ θά ἔχει  
δεξίωσιν εἰς τὸ East Room

#### Τρίτη 21ῆ Μαΐου

Μνήμη τῶν Κτητορῶν Ἁγίων μας Κωνσταντίνου καὶ Ελένης  
8·00 π.μ. - Ὁρθρος καὶ Θεία Λειτουργία

Θά τελεσθῆ καὶ ἀρτοκλασία.

Ἡ Φιλόπτωχος Ἀδελφότης ΑΓΙΑ ΕΛΕΝΗ θά ἔχει  
δεξίωσιν εἰς τὸ East Room

## ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK

### Monday, May 13:

- 4:30 p.m. J.O.Y. Soccer (Mighty Mightys)  
 5:30 p.m. J.O.Y. Soccer (Minors)  
 6:30 p.m. J.O.Y. Soccer (Majors)  
 7:30 p.m. G.O.Y.A.

### Tuesday, May 14:

- 5:00 p.m. Jr. Olympics Track & Field Practice  
 6:30 p.m. Jr. Olympics Soccer Practice 7-9 Yrs.  
 6:30 p.m. Jr. Olympics Soccer Practice 10-12 Yrs.  
 6:30 p.m. Jr. Olympics Soccer Practice 13-15 Yrs.  
 7:00 p.m. Philoptochos Meeting

### Wednesday, May 15:

- 6:30 p.m. Koraes Fine Arts Festival  
 7:00 p.m. Jr. Olympic Boys Volleyball Practice  
 8:00 p.m. Men's Basketball

### Thursday, May 16:

- 6:30 p.m. Jr. Olympics Basketball (Minors)  
 6:30 p.m. Jr. Olympics Basketball (Majors)  
 6:30 p.m. Jr. Olympics Softball Practice  
 7:30 p.m. Jr. Olympics Volleyball Practice (Girls)

### Friday, May 17:

- 9:30 a.m. Toddler Play Group  
 4:30 p.m. J.O.Y. Soccer (Mighty Mightys)  
 5:30 p.m. J.O.Y. Soccer (Minors)  
 5:30 p.m. Jr. Olympics Soccer Practice (16-18 Yrs)  
 6:30 p.m. J.O.Y. Soccer (Majors)

### Saturday, May 18:

- 6 p.m.-1 a.m. Koraes 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala  
 Beatrix - Streeterville (Chicago)

### Sunday, May 19:

#### Sunday of the Paralytic

- 8:30-11:15 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy

## † MEMORIALS †

40 Days	Frank Manta
6 Months	Denise Manta
1 Year	Spiro Dussias
1 Year	Soula Kintonis
5 Years	George Tsokolas
10 Years	Athanasios Tsokolas
11 Years	Evangelos Theodoropoulos

† May their memory be eternal †

## COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Today's Coffee Fellowship  
 is offered by the **St. Tatiana Handmaidens**,  
 in celebration of Mother's Day!  
*Please join them!*

The flowers distributed by our GOYA today,  
 are a gift of love to our mothers,  
 from the  
 Manikas family.  
*In loving memory of Bill John Manikas*



## KORAES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Invites you to the  
**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala**  
**The Stars are Out Tonight**  
 Saturday, May 18, 2019 – 6 p.m. – 1 a.m.  
**Beatrix – Streeterville**  
**671 N. St. Clair St., Chicago, IL 60611**  
*Ticket Includes: Premium Open Bar, Appetizers,  
 Dinner, Dessert and Entertainment*  
 For Additional information go to  
[www.friendsofkoraes.org](http://www.friendsofkoraes.org)

**See you...**



**...Next SUNDAY!**