

Dynamis



June 2011

"... Since the kingdom of God is not just words, it is power."

1 CORINTHIANS 4:20

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"He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct."

1 Peter 1

Holiness is not just acknowledging God, but it is a way of life. St. Paul reminds us that a person who has been baptized has received a new birth of spiritual life in Christ, and must lead a holy life worthy of the calling to which one has been called by God. "Let us also walk by the spirit" (Gal 5:25). During the sacrament of baptism, at the prayers of the making of a catechumen, we face west, opposite the Holy Altar, and then turn around facing east, the Holy Altar for the remainder of the sacrament. This act is a challenge for us to walk forward in a life of holiness. A pious priest, Fr Peter Chamberas wrote, "A Christian who lives a careless life of sin and unrighteousness after baptism not only denies, but actually banishes the Holy Spirit from his/her life." We celebrate the Great Feast of Pentecost on June 12th. Pentecost calls us all to be saints. The Lord has called us to follow Him with courage and commitment.

The following was an advertisement in a London paper: "Men wanted for hazardous journey, small wages, bitter cold, long months of complete darkness, constant danger, safe return doubtful. Honor and recognition in case of success." Thousands of men responded to this ad because the famous Arctic explorer, Sir Ernest Shackleton personally signed the note himself. Shackleton made all the difference because he was a man of experience. How would we respond to a similar advertisement penned by one of the apostles; "Men, women and children wanted for difficult task of serving the church. You will often be misunderstood, even by those working with you. You will see the results of your labor, and your full reward will not come till after all your work is completed. It may cost you your home, your ambitions, even your life."

June is recruitment month for the church. With the celebration of Pentecost (June 12) and the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (June 29), we are being recruited to be saints. Pentecost is both a celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the feast of our potential commitment. We honor the saints, especially Sts. Peter and Paul because of their courage and missionary zeal. As we honor the saints, they ask us to join their commitment to follow Christ. "Be imitators of me as I am of Christ (I Cor 11:1).

It is hard to imagine the impact Sts. Peter and Paul made in only a few short years. They worked with the apostles, woman like St. Thekla, the young and old, spreading the gospel throughout the regions of Asia Minor, Macedonia, and Greece. They endured hardships, dangers and traveled

countless miles. The most difficult assignments were given to the apostles. There are a few of you who have taken on the most challenging assignments of the church. A handful of you have answered the call with commitment, joy and love. A handful of you have made an incredible impact on Holy Trinity. Sadly, well over 200 families have still not even taken a few minutes to complete their 2011 Stewardship Pledge.

I have witnessed in my priesthood how a handful of faithful stewards can move mountains. I hope and pray that new hands will join the old ones. Let us start using our hands, our gifts, and make worship a priority. Please give prayer to how you can truly serve and support Holy Trinity. The ministry of Philoptochos, Sunday School, youth ministry, choir and welcome committee are extending their hands. To follow Christ is not always easy, and requires commitment and sacrifice.

The apostles followed Jesus. They left their nets and followed Him. All of us have been asked "to leave our nets." In other words, make Christ the priority in my life. It is important to remember what happened to Peter when Jesus entered his boat. Peter's life changed. Even though Peter was tired, he was obedient and went into the deeper waters. Jesus asked him to go out into the deeper water for a reason; to teach not only the apostle, but all of us, the meaning of commitment.

What are we holding on to that is more important than following and serving Jesus Christ? The early Christians were willing to die for the church. St. Barnabas was the first disciple to welcome St. Paul after his conversion. They were friends and studied together. Barnabas embraced Christianity at the time Paul was persecuting Christians. He prayed for his friend, and in time God would enlighten Paul's heart. Please do not shame your brothers and sisters, but help them. Pray for them. Encourage them to come to church, and become part of the Holy Trinity family. St. Barnabas would eventually suffer for the church. He died a martyr's death. St. Barnabas was holding on to a copy of the gospel of St. Matthew during his martyrdom. What will you and I be holding on when we leave this world? Are we going to be holding on to our cell phones, TV clickers and games? Let us hold on to our church, and give Christ our loving hands.

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Dynamis is the monthly newsletter of the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Portland, Oregon. Articles for the next month's issue of *Dynamis* are due in the church office on the 11th of the current month. Deadlines will be strictly adhered to.

Dynamis Editorial Guidelines

How to contribute: Email to: Gail@goholytrinity.org or on a CD with a hard copy to the church office. If you do not use a computer, please fax submissions to 503-236-8379 or bring a typed copy to the church office.

Content and length: Church-related organizations maximum 500 words; non-church related and articles by private persons maximum 300 words. We reserve the right to edit or decline a submission. All inserts must be approved by the church office and the postal service.

Announcements policy: Unpaid announcements for church-related events are limited to a half page. Non-church-related community event announcements are limited to a quarter page.

The back cover is reserved for paid advertisements, at these rates:

- Full advertising section – half of back page\$400
- Half advertising section – ¼ of back cover\$225
- Quarter advertising section – 1/8 of last page\$125

Parish Council Corner

All Aboard the Steward Ship!

As council members, we are often called upon to deal with issues of finance and of preserving this treasure we call Holy Trinity Cathedral. Sometimes it feels as though we are in a leaky row boat, trying to navigate rough seas.

While our council president is a terrific skipper and the clergy and council members worthy shipmates, it became clear to me that we are not in this vessel alone.

Our Cathedral parish is a large ship led by one perfect captain, Jesus Christ. Our cargo is love. Expressing this love comes in many forms; the Liturgy, our ministries, our care and comfort to each other and our larger community. To truly move these ministries forward, to truly achieve our mission of bringing people to our Lord and His Church, we must all be aboard the steward-ship.

We all have different talents and treasures given by Jesus. These talents are best utilized through careful contemplation, prayer and guidance. The call is simple, "All aboard the stewardship" so let's answer the call as crew members.

Let's give our talent, our treasure at this place we call our true home, our Holy Church.

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**Camp Angelos XXV**

It's time to sign your campers up for Summer Camp. Camp will be August 7-12. Registration forms are available online at [www.goholytrinity.org](http://www.goholytrinity.org). Click on Our Community, then Forms. There are also forms in the brochure holder outside the church office. You can also Christina Marneris at 503-704-7164 or Anthony Aivaliotis at 503-381-6093 to request a form.

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Summer Hours for Sunday Services & Saturday Vespers

During the summer months (June, July & August), our Sunday services will be one-half hour earlier than usual.

Sunday Orthros 8:15 AM
Sunday Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM

Sunday, June 12, Pentecost Sunday will begin summer hours

Saturday Great Vespers will at 5:00 PM, beginning June 18th.

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**Fundraiser for the Monastery**  
**Eat out at Tom's Restaurant in support of St. John the Forerunner Greek Orthodox Monastery!**

On Thursday, June 9, Tom's Restaurant (3871 SE Division St) will be hosting a fundraising event to support St. John the Forerunner Monastery in Goldendale, WA. All proceeds from the day (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) will go to support the sisters' effort to begin construction of the Monastery Church (Katholikon) which will replace the small chapel.

So, bring your family and friends and come support our local monastic community!

Thank you to everyone who made donations to help cover Holy Week and Pascha flowers, candles and other supplies!

George and Eleni Anadiotis,  
Ellie Bass, Aphrodite Battalia,  
Tom & Georgía Belesiu,  
George & Merle Booras,  
Bob & Mary Calvert,  
Peter & Catalina Corvallis,  
Christina D. Demas,  
Anna & Laurie Fedora,  
Sue Fischer,  
Isidoros and Maria Garifalakis,  
Demetrios & Evagelia Gatziolis, Jim  
& Georgía George,  
Sue George,  
Alexander & Carey Ann Ginos,  
Eugenia Goldsby,  
Pete & Kiki Gregos,  
Ioanna Maria Hammond,  
Jim Kakalaw,  
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& Gloria Kikes,  
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Sophía Kriara, Bessie Lekas,  
Georgía Liapes, Joan Liapes, Tom  
& Sharon Lilles,  
Dr. John & Catherine Lingas,  
Goldie McFadden, Nick Mallos,  
George Miller, Eleni Nicholson,  
Pete & Mimi Palumbis,  
George & Chrisoula Papas,  
Mary Peterson, Philoptochos,  
Aristides & Betty Phoutrides, Dick  
& Sophia Sly, Eleni Sofos,  
Sophia Stamatís,  
Helen Stratíkos,  
Christ & Katy Vokos

## Save the Date:

Saturday, June 11, 2011 at  
6:00 PM

Fr. Elias Stephanopoulos  
Community Center  
Holy Trinity Greek  
Orthodox Church

The Hellenic-American Cultural Center & Museum, in conjunction with its exhibit "The Year in Byzantium" and its effort to celebrate and educate the Holy Trinity and greater Portland-Vancouver communities, will offer an dinner evening with three guest speakers from Greece:

- Dr. Theohari Provataki, Vice Minister of Cultural Affairs of Greece
- Maria Sideris, Icon writer and painter
- Louka Peiniri, Professor of Mosaics

We hope you can join us for the most informative evening.

## Philo House Thrift Shop

We have just completed our change-over to spring clothing. A big THANK YOU to all of you who have brought us your donations. Without you and our loyal volunteers we couldn't keep the shop open. Please be sure that everything you bring in is clean and in good repair. Don't forget we always need new volunteers to work in the shop. To volunteer please call Nancy Doulis at 503-287-3484.

At this time, we really need Men's short & long-sleeved dress shirts, Women's handbags and household items.

## Saint John the Forerunner Feast Day June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2001

Please support the Saint John Convent for the feast day celebration. For more details about services, please contact the monastery at 509-773-7141.

## Feast Day Luncheon Monday of the Holy Spirit, June 13<sup>th</sup> @ Holy Trinity

Orthros 8:00 AM  
Divine Liturgy 9:00 AM  
Luncheon will follow services

## Greek School openings

Greek School is looking for instructors for next school year. Class meets for two hours one time a week. Please contact Florence Protopapas and Pota Kahl at [griekschool@goholytrinity.org](mailto:griekschool@goholytrinity.org) for an application and more details.

## Seniors Ministry

Our luncheon on April 28 was a great success. Thank you to George and Chrisoula Papas for preparing the meal. It was stupendous! They fixed Stiffado, (chunks of roast beef/onions and potatoes) green salad with fresh strawberries and for dessert, Bananas Foster, served flaming with rum! Thank you to Catalina Corvallis for her donation towards the lunch and for the beautiful decorations. Peter Corvallis provided the entertainment for the day, a flash back to the past; a video of the 1980 Greek Festival. Everyone enjoyed seeing long-lost friends and family again. Thank you, Peter!

Mark your calendars for our upcoming events – Lunch at Camp Angelos on Tuesday, May 31 and lunch at the Somarakis home on June 16<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to be on the Seniors Ministry list to get notified of upcoming events, please call the church office at 503-234-0468.

## Vacation Church School June 27 – July 1

Sign your kids up for VCS now! Forms are available at our web site [www.goholytrinity.org](http://www.goholytrinity.org)

Click on Our Community, Forms

## ***YOUTH CORNER***

**JUNIOR GOYA NIGHT** @ the home of Fr. Jordan & Presb. Marika Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

We invite all junior Goyans (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades)  
What to bring? Appetite (we will have dinner), towel & bathing suit, big smile

**SENIOR GOYANS! SAVE THE DATE!** Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup>!

A big Blowout BBQ/Sleepover

Where: Avgerakis Ranch

What to bring: Swim suit, towel, sleeping bag, attire

FUN...FUN...FUN...

We hope that everyone can make it!  
Please contact Father Jordan with any questions.



CONGRATULATIONS to the newly elected Philoptochos Board 2011-2013: Ellie Bass, Rena Bekris, Georgia Belesiu, Sophia Damiani, JoAnne Finicle, Sue Fisher, Elizabeth Franklin, Sia Hatzipavlou, Sophia Kondoleon, Elaine Lampros, Georgia Liapes, Joan Liapes, Ann Mehas, Kathy Melcher, Katherine Pappas, Shelle Pickens, Christin Rouches, Christine Rulli, Sophie Sly and Vasiliki Vlahakis with Paula Diamond as advisor.

### PHILO MEMBERSHIP DRIVE.

Please send in your 2011 membership envelopes to the Church office today. Men and women are invited to become members. Fairshare dues due by June 1, 2011. We will be printing a MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY soon and all current members will be listed.

Tues. June 7, PHILO BOARD MEETING –Museum - 7:00 p.m.

INSTALLATION OF NEW PHILO BOARD (in church) & Special Board Meeting to elect New Philo Exec.

Board ( immediately following church service). Sunday, June 5.

Philoptochos Past President's Luncheon – Sunday, June 5, 2011, 1:30 p.m. Portland Golf Club.

With faith & love in Christ,  
Paula D. Diamond  
Philoptochos President



# Camp Angelos

## Annual



**Sunday, June 19, 2011**  
**Lamb BBQ Dinner- 4:00 PM**  
**Take this opportunity to visit Camp Angelos and tour our beautiful facility!**

**Enjoy delicious Greek cuisine!**  
**Bring your family and friends!**

**Tickets are \$50 per person**

**Camp Angelos**  
**32149 SE Stevens Rd**  
**Corbett, OR 97019**  
**503-695-5888**

Email: [ahec@teleport.com](mailto:ahec@teleport.com)

## **Orthodox Spirituality**

Father Jordan's Wednesday evening class on Orthodox spirituality continues on June 1 & 8 at 7:00 PM in the Museum.

## **Wednesday morning Bible Study**

Bible Study continues on June 1 & 8 at 10:00 AM in the Library

Please mail this portion with your check or credit card information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50  
= \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed

Or Credit card

Exp: \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact Mary Jo Brobeck @503-695-5888 for information or to reserve space.

April 17, Palm Sunday



Anastasis Service

Holy Saturday

April 23



# Anastasis Service, Holy Pascha



After the Anastasis service, everyone was invited to join together in the small hall for Turkey Avgolemeno soup and bread prepared by Ted and Dimitri



Festival 1980, a video by Peter Corvallis

# Seniors Luncheon, Thursday, April 28.



All photos by Peter Corvallis

A fantastic lunch was prepared by George & Chrisoula Papas, followed by a nostalgic look back at Greek

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Paraclesis 9:00 AM, June 1 & 8  
Ascension, June 2,  
Orthros 8:00 AM,  
Liturgy 9:00 AM  
Saturday of the Souls, June 11,  
Orthros 8:00 AM,  
Liturgy 9:00 AM  
Pentecost Sunday,  
Orthros 8:15 AM,  
Liturgy & Kneeling Prayers 9:30 AM  
Monday of the Holy Spirit,  
Orthros 8:00 AM,  
Liturgy 9:00 AM  
St. John Feast Day at the Monastery,  
June 24  
Apostles Fast: June 20 – 29  
Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul, June 29,  
Orthros 8:30 AM,  
Liturgy 9:30 AM

**16TH ANNUAL**

# GREEK OPEN

**BENEFITTING AGIA SOPHIA ACADEMY**



**Sept. 20, 2011**  
Tuesday  
Langdon Farms Golf Club

**Golf - Dinner - Auction**

Sign up now for early discount and sponsorship opportunities.

WWW.**GREEKOPEN**.COM

11:30 Registration Lunch - 1:30 Scramble Golf - 6:30 Cocktails, Dinner, Auction  
Contact Norm at Norm@GreekOpen.com