

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

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CITY OF PEABODY
**INTERNATIONAL
FESTIVAL**

St. Vasilios will be participating in the City of Peabody's annual International Festival today, Sunday, September 7th

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Due to the International Festival date being changed, we will now have our first Philoptochos meeting on Sunday, September 21, at 11:00 in the Parlor Room. Get a cup of coffee and a pastry from the coffee hour and join us for a fun meeting. Bring a friend and your ideas so we can plan a great year ahead.

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PANGARI SCHEDULE

Ted Stephanides	Costa Partaledis	Victor Fanikos
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Chris Kachinski	George Papadopoulos	Brandon Simpson
Dionisios Pissios	Christine H. Martins	Tina Manolakos
9/14/2025	9/21/2025	9/28/2025

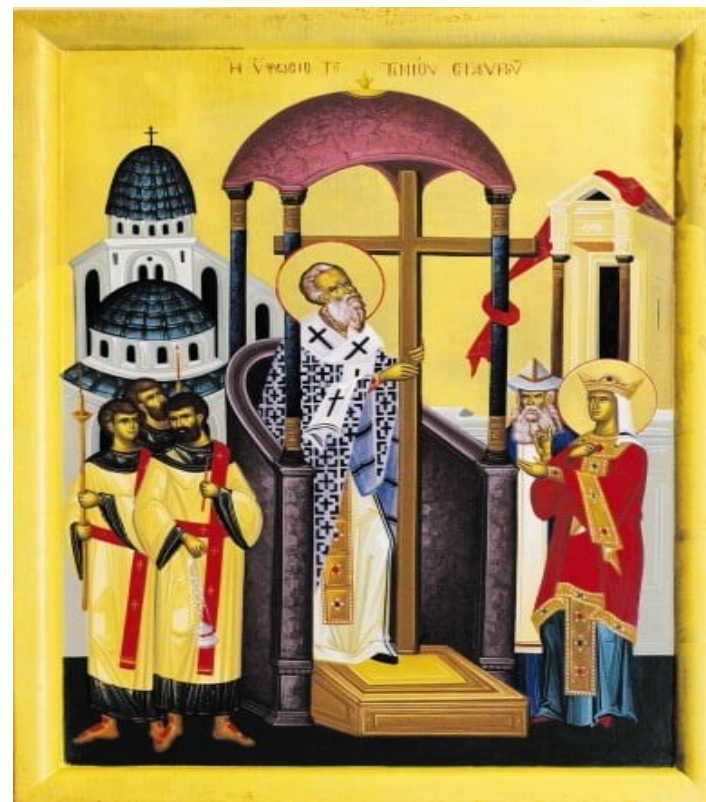
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**THE ELEVATION OF THE VENERABLE AND
LIFE-GIVING CROSS**

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

Hymns Following the Gospel (Small Entrance)

Apolytikion for Elevation of the Holy Cross in the First Mode

Save, O Lord, Thy people and bless Thine inheritance; grant Thou unto the faithful victory over adversaries. And by the power of Thy Cross do Thou preserve Thy commonwealth.

Σώσον Κύριε τόν λαόν σου καί ευλόγησον τήν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς Βασιλεύσι κατά βαρβάρων δωρούμενος καί τό σόν φυλάττων διά τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

St. Vasilios 1st Mode

Your message was carried throughout the world . As it received your mighty word, By which you divinely made manifest And clarified the nature of existing things You set in order the customs of men, You who are royal priesthood! Holy Father, intercede with Christ our God To grant us His great mercy.

Εἰς πάσαν τήν γήν ἐξήλθεν ὁ φθόγγος σου, ὡς δεξαμένην τὸν λόγον σου, Δι' οὐ θεοπρεπῶς ἐδογμάτισας, Τήν φύσιν τῶν ὄντων ἐτράνωσας. Τά τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἦθη κατεκόσμησάς, Βασίλειον ιεράτευμα Πάτερ ὅσιε Χριστόν τόν Θεόν ἰκέτευε δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τό Μέγα ἔλεος

Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

Lifted up on the Cross by Your free will, Christ God, grant mercies to the new commonwealth that bears Your name. Gladden our faithful rulers by Your power, giving them victories over their adversaries. May Your alliance be for them a weapon for peace, an invincible standard. .

Ο υψωθείς ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ ἐκουσίως, τῇ ἐπωνύμῳ σου καινῇ πολιτείᾳ, τοὺς οἰκτιρμούς σου δώρησαι, Χριστέ ο Θεός, Εὐφρανὸν ἐν τῇ δυνάμει σου, τοὺς πιστοὺς Βασιλεῖς ἡμῶν, νίκας χορηγῶν αὐτοῖς, κατά τῶν πολεμίων, τήν συμμαχίαν ἔχοιεν τήν σὴν, ὅπλον εἰρήνης, ἀήττητον τρόπαιον.



JR GOYA

St. Val's

Sr. GOYA

MINIGOLF NIGHT OUTING \$10 PER PERSON

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

AFTER DANCE GROUP PRACTICE



Meet in the gym for dinner at 6:30 PM
or meet at Golf Country in Middleton at 7:30 PM

Questions? Email: goya@stvasilios.org
or text Sofia 339-927-7557

PARISH NIGHT

Save the Date! Fall 2025

You, Your Family, and Your Friends are Invited to
a Monthly Potluck Dinner at St. Vasilios Church!

ALL ARE WELCOME! SECOND SATURDAYS

5 PM VESPERS IN CHURCH, FOLLOWED BY
DINNER & ACTIVITIES IN THE GYM

NEW DATE!

SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 20TH

SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 11TH

NOVEMBER
DATE TBD

SATURDAY,
DECEMBER 13TH

PRAY TOGETHER, STAY TOGETHER

THRIVE@STVASILIOS.ORG

EPISTLE READING

Prokeimenon. Grave Mode. Psalm 98.9,1.

Exalt the Lord our God.

Verse: The Lord reigns; let the people tremble.

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 1:18-24.

Brethren, the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the cleverness of the clever I will thwart." Where is the wise man? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Προκείμενον. Grave Mode. ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 98.9,1.

Ὑψοῦτε Κύριον τὸν Θεὸν ἡμῶν.

Στίχ. Ὁ Κύριος ἐβασίλευσεν, ὀργιζέσθωσαν λαοί.

τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Κορινθίους α' 1:18-24.

Ἀδελφοί, ὁ λόγος γὰρ ὁ τοῦ σταυροῦ τοῖς μὲν ἀπολλυμένοις μωρία ἐστίν, τοῖς δὲ σωζομένοις ἡμῖν δύναμις θεοῦ ἐστίν. Γέγραπται γάρ, Ἀπολῶ τὴν σοφίαν τῶν σοφῶν, καὶ τὴν σύνεσιν τῶν συνετῶν ἀθετήσω. Ποῦ σοφός; Ποῦ γραμματεὺς; Ποῦ συζητητὴς τοῦ αἰῶνος τούτου; Οὐχὶ ἐμῶρανεν ὁ θεὸς τὴν σοφίαν τοῦ κόσμου τούτου; Ἐπειδὴ γὰρ ἐν τῇ σοφίᾳ τοῦ θεοῦ οὐκ ἔγνω ὁ κόσμος διὰ τῆς σοφίας τὸν θεόν, εὐδόκησεν ὁ θεὸς διὰ τῆς μωρίας τοῦ κηρύγματος σῶσαι τοὺς πιστεύοντας. Ἐπειδὴ καὶ Ἰουδαῖοι σημεῖον αἰτοῦσιν, καὶ Ἕλληνες σοφίαν ζητοῦσιν· ἡμεῖς δὲ κηρύσσομεν Χριστὸν ἐσταυρωμένον, Ἰουδαίοις μὲν σκάνδαλον, Ἕλλησιν δὲ μωρίαν· αὐτοῖς δὲ τοῖς κλητοῖς, Ἰουδαίοις τε καὶ Ἕλλησιν, Χριστὸν θεοῦ δύναμιν καὶ θεοῦ σοφίαν.



GOSPEL READING

The Elevation of the Venerable and Life-Giving Cross

The Reading is from John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30

At that time, when the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no crime in him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law he ought to die, because he has made himself the Son of God."

When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid; he entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, "You will not speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore he who delivered me to you has the greater sin." When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called the Pavement, and in Hebrew, Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek.

But standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. Then when Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, "It is finished"; and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Κατὰ Ἰωάννην 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, συμβούιον ἐποίησαν οἱ ἀρχιερεῖς καὶ οἱ ὑπηρέται, ἐκραύγασαν λέγοντες· σταύρωσον σταύρωσον αὐτόν. λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Πιλάτος· λάβετε αὐτόν ὑμεῖς καὶ σταυρώσατε· ἐγὼ γὰρ οὐχ εὐρίσκω ἐν αὐτῷ αἰτίαν. ἀπεκρίθησαν αὐτῷ οἱ Ἰουδαῖοι· ἡμεῖς νόμον ἔχομεν, καὶ κατὰ τὸν νόμον ἡμῶν ὀφείλει ἀποθανεῖν, ὅτι ἐαυτὸν Θεοῦ υἱὸν ἐποίησεν.

ST. VASILIOS DANCE GROUP

St. Vasilios Dance Group



Open House 9/20 & 9/27
Join us Saturdays 4:30-6:30 PM

NEW CLASSES STARTING THIS FALL
No experience necessary!



Please email for more information:
StValsDance@StVasilios.org

Students aged 11 and older are invited to join us.
(Aged 9 and older, if enrolled in St. Vasilios Greek School!)

A CALL FOR MYROFORES

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Our God Almighty established the position of women in the world by appointing The Virgin Mary to carry and care for His only begotten Son. Our Lord Jesus Christ followed this by holding His Mother and other women around Him in high esteem. It was these women, who today we call Myrofores, that first received the Good News of the Resurrection and carried it to the rest of the disciples and the whole world.

The young ladies of our Church have commemorated the role of the Myrofores during the Paschal services. We all have observed their serious and dedicated way of performing this blessed mission and we are extremely proud of them. They continue to serve our Lord throughout the year by helping the Church Board in the Narthex and around the church during The Divine Liturgy on Sundays and other Feast days.

All girls ages 11-18 are invited to register to serve as Myrofores during the 2025-2026 church year. If you are interested, please fill out the form below and return it to your church school teacher.

General duties include: Welcome parishioners into the church, hand out bulletins, help parishioners with the candles, assist at the Pagari, pass the collection tray, if asked, assist with the Kolyva after Liturgy.

-----Cut along line and return bottom portion to your teacher-----

2025-2026 Myrofores Registration Form

PRINT CLEARLY PLEASE!

Name: _____ Grade: _____ Age: _____

Parent Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please note that Myrofores are expected to be active in the Church School program and will serve at divine services on a 3 – 4 week rotation schedule. This schedule includes Sunday mornings throughout the year and at special services during the various Lenten seasons. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Brown at 978-595-8614 or email at sbrown888@verizon.net.

“Οτε οὖν ἤκουσεν ὁ Πιλάτος τοῦτον τὸν λόγον, μᾶλλον ἐφοβήθη, καὶ εἰσηλθεν εἰς τὸ πραιτώριον ἄλλιν καὶ λέγει τῷ Ἰησοῦ· πόθεν εἰ σὺ; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἀπόκρισιν οὐκ ἔδωκεν αὐτῷ. λέγει οὖν αὐτῷ ὁ Πιλάτος· ἐμοὶ οὐ λαλεῖς; οὐκ οἶδας ὅτι ἐξουσίαν ἔχω σταυρῶσαί σε καὶ ἐξουσίαν ἔχω ἀπολῦσαί σε; ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς· οὐκ εἶχες ἐξουσίαν οὐδεμίαν κατ’ ἐμοῦ, εἰ μὴ ἦν σοι δεδομένον ἄνωθεν· διὰ τοῦτο ὁ παραδιδούς μέ σοι μείζονα ἁμαρτίαν ἔχει. ὁ οὖν Πιλάτος ἀκούσας τοῦτον τὸν λόγον ἤγαγεν ἔξω τὸν Ἰησοῦν, καὶ ἐκάθισεν ἐπὶ τοῦ βήματος εἰς τόπον λεγόμενον Λιθόστρωτον, ἐβραϊστί δὲ Γαββαθᾶ· ἦν δὲ παρασκευὴ τοῦ πάσχα, ὥρα δὲ ὥσπερ ἔκτη· καὶ λέγει τοῖς Ἰουδαίοις· ἴδε ὁ βασιλεὺς ὑμῶν. οἱ δὲ ἐκραύγασαν· ἄρον ἄρον, σταύρωσον αὐτόν. λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Πιλάτος· τὸν βασιλέα ὑμῶν σταυρώσω; ἀπεκρίθησαν οἱ ἄρχιερεῖς· οὐκ ἔχομεν βασιλέα εἰ μὴ Καίσαρα. τότε οὖν παρέδωκεν αὐτόν αὐτοῖς ἵνα σταυρωθῇ. Παρέλαβον δὲ τὸν Ἰησοῦν καὶ ἤγαγον· καὶ βαστάζων τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ ἐξῆλθεν εἰς τὸν λεγόμενον κρανίου τόπον, ὃς λέγεται ἐβραϊστί Γολγοθᾶ, ὅπου αὐτὸν ἐσταύρωσαν, καὶ μετ’ αὐτοῦ ἄλλους δύο ἐντεῦθεν καὶ ἐντεῦθεν, μέσον δὲ τὸν Ἰησοῦν. ἔγραψε δὲ καὶ τίτλον ὁ Πιλάτος καὶ ἔθηκεν ἐπὶ τοῦ σταυροῦ· ἦν δὲ γεγραμμένον· Ἰησοῦς ὁ Ναζωραῖος ὁ βασιλεὺς τῶν Ἰουδαίων. τοῦτον οὖν τὸν τίτλον πολλοὶ ἀνέγνωσαν τῶν Ἰουδαίων, ὅτι ἐγγὺς ἦν τῆς πόλεως ὁ τόπος ὅπου ἐσταυρώθη ὁ Ἰησοῦς· καὶ ἦν γεγραμμένον Ἑβραϊστί, Ἑλληνιστί, Ῥωμαϊστί.

Οἱ μὲν οὖν στρατιῶται ταῦτα ἐποίησαν. εἰστήκεισαν δὲ παρὰ τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ ἡ μήτηρ αὐτοῦ καὶ ἡ ἀδελφὴ τῆς μητρὸς αὐτοῦ, Μαρία ἡ τοῦ Κλωπᾶ καὶ Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνὴ. Ἰησοῦς οὖν ἰδὼν τὴν μητέρα καὶ τὸν μαθητὴν παρεστῶτα ὃν ἠγάπα, λέγει τῇ μητρὶ αὐτοῦ· γύναι, ἴδε ὁ υἱός σου. εἶτα λέγει τῷ μαθητῇ· ἰδοὺ ἡ μήτηρ σου. καὶ ἀπ’ ἐκείνης τῆς ὥρας ἔλαβεν ὁ μαθητὴς αὐτὴν εἰς τὰ ἴδια. Μετὰ τοῦτο εἰδὼς ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι πάντα ἤδη τετέλεστοι, ἵνα τελειωθῇ ἡ γραφή, λέγει· διψῶ. ὅτε οὖν ἔλαβε τὸ ὄξος ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπε, τετέλεστοι, καὶ κλίνας τὴν κεφαλὴν παρέδωκε τὸ πνεῦμα.



ALTAR DONATIONS

LITURGY LIGHTS

In loving memory of Michael C. Lignos.

VIGIL LIGHTS

In loving memory of James & Dora Maravelias.

COFFEE HOUR -Will Coffee Hour continue as we know it ?

That depends on you. In order to keep the coffee pouring with a variety of desserts as well as savory options, we need several volunteers or volunteer teams to commit to running our coffee hours for the season which begins on Sunday, September 14th, coinciding with the start of Sunday School. Coffee hour sponsorships are available for most Sundays through the season for a fee of \$200. Please contact George Papadopoulos at george65pap@aol.com to inquire.



COMMUNION

Communion in the Orthodox Church is for Baptized and Chrismated Orthodox Christians in good sacramental standing.

We ask that you allow families with young children and kids to come receive before the adults enter the communion line.

Please exit into the side aisles and enter the Communion line from the central aisle at the back of the church.

ANTIDORON

Antidoron– We want to encourage parishioners to continue asking for Antidoron to take home for people who are sick or could not make it to the Divine Liturgy. We kindly ask that you wait until all those present receive their Antidoron before receiving Antidoron for those who are absent. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL



Church School will begin today, Sunday, September 14, at 10:30am.

Classes end at 11:30am. Our Church School classes include Kindergarten to Grade 12. We will never turn a child away, regardless of their age. Our Little Lambs Ministry welcomes children from 40 days to 4 years old, accompanied by a parent. Little Lambs meet in the Educational Center gym by the stage. Grades K through 12, classrooms will be posted in the Educational Center foyer. If your child is new to Church School, a registration table will be set up in the foyer and you may also register them in their classroom on any Sunday. We, the teachers, look forward to welcoming our kids back!

GREEK SCHOOL NEWS

Come support the Greek School students as they dance at the International Festival today, Sunday, September 14th at 1:40 on the Peabody Square Stage.

The first day of Greek School is Monday, September 15th we will meet in the Church for Agiasmo and a brief meeting. If you haven't registered yet visit the Church website for the link to the registration form. If you have any questions email greeksschool@stvasilios.org

SAVE THE DATE

Our Ribbon Cutting will take place on Sunday, October 19th, where we will be joined by His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios to bless our remodeled campus, and recognize all who contributed to the St. Vasilios Parish Advancement Campaign. - More info to follow!

Please visit our campaign website, givetostvasilios.org for more information or reach out to