

# ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY SCHOOL NILES, ILLINOIS

## MISSION STATEMENT

### **OUR MISSION IS TO:**

- \*Educate the children of our community in the teachings of the Orthodox Faith.
- \*Lead their hearts closer to Christ, to love Christ and His Church.
- \*To partner with our families, provide tools, information, and encouragement to reinforce the Sunday School teachings in their everyday life.

**ENROLLMENT:** Preschool to 12<sup>th</sup> grade. (3 years of age by September 1<sup>st</sup> of the enrollment year)

**CLASSES ARE HELD:** September through May.

**TUITION:** per family, 1 child: \$30, 2 children \$50, 3 children \$70, 4 children or more \$80

**PURPOSE:** To cultivate within our children the Orthodox Christian way of life.

**ACTIVITIES:** Each class has a lesson and special projects. The entire school participates in the Christmas Family Retreat, Christmas Pageant, Godparent Sunday, Pre-sanctified Liturgy and Family Lenten Potluck and discussion, Procession of Icons on Sunday of Orthodoxy, the Oratorical Festival, Mission projects, Saturday of Lazaros and/or Holy Friday Family Retreat and Vacation Church School.

### **THE GOALS OF OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM:**

1. To encourage all families with children to participate in our Sunday School program.
2. To make our Sunday School spiritually enriching for our children.
3. To provide Christian awareness and education for inclusive classrooms and a learning format geared for all children of all abilities.
4. To provide well rounded and theologically based lessons on the Bible, Liturgical Worship, Prayer Life, Sacramental Life, and Mission Awareness.
5. To have a dependable volunteer staff, who because of their personal commitment to Christ, serve His Church as teachers.
6. To provide the staff and students with text books and other resources (craft supplies, videos...) which inspire Christian learning.
7. To provide Sunday School students the opportunity to learn about Stewardship and caring for our Church grounds.
8. To learn how to work together with one another in the House of God.
9. To encourage respect and Christian agape between all children of our church.
10. To love Christ and His Church.