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AUGUST 6, 2023
TRANSFIGURATION OF JESUS CHRIST

ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.

[\(ORTHROS SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE\)](#)

DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M.

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APOLYTIKION. GRAVE MODE. (BEFORE ENTRANCE)

You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Your disciples Your glory as much as they could bear. Do also in us, sinners though we may be, shine Your everlasting light, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of light. Glory to You.

Μετεμορφώθης ἐν τῷ ὄρει Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, δείξας τοῖς Μαθηταῖς σου τὴν δόξαν σου, καθὼς ἠδύναντο. Λάμπσον καὶ ἡμῖν τοῖς ἁμαρτωλοῖς, τὸ φῶς σου τὸ αἶδιον, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, φωτοδότα δόξα σοι.

APOLYTIKION OF THE FEAST. GRAVE MODE. (AFTER ENTRANCE)

You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Your disciples Your glory as much as they could bear. Do also in us, sinners though we may be, shine Your everlasting light, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of light. Glory to You. (3)

Μετεμορφώθης ἐν τῷ ὄρει Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, δείξας τοῖς Μαθηταῖς σου τὴν δόξαν σου, καθὼς ἠδύναντο. Λάμπσον καὶ ἡμῖν τοῖς ἁμαρτωλοῖς, τὸ φῶς σου τὸ αἶδιον, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, φωτοδότα δόξα σοι.

KONTAKION. GRAVE MODE 2

Upon the mountain were You transfigured, and Your disciples beheld Your glory as far as they were able, O Christ our God; so that when they would see You crucified they might understand that Your Passion was deliberate, and declare to the world that in truth You are the Father's radiance.

Ἐπὶ τοῦ ὄρους μετεμορφώθης, καὶ ὡς ἐχώρουν οἱ Μαθηταὶ σου τὴν δόξαν σου, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἐθεάσαντο, ἵνα ὅταν σε ἴδωσι σταυρούμενον, τὸ μὲν πάθος νοήσωσιν ἐκούσιον, τῷ δὲ κόσμῳ κηρύξωσιν, ὅτι σὺ ὑπάρχεις ἀληθῶς, τοῦ Πατρὸς τὸ ἀπαύγασμα.

EPISTLE READING

Transfiguration of Jesus Christ St. Peter's Second Universal Letter 1:10-19

Prokeimenon. Mode 4

Psalm 103.24,1

O Lord, how manifold are your works. You have made all things in wisdom.

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The reading is from St. Peter's Second Universal Letter 1:10-19

BRETHREN, be more zealous to confirm your call and election, for if you do this you will never fall; so there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Therefore I intend always to remind you of these things, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have. I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to arouse you by way of reminder, since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. And I will see to it that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. For when he received honor and glory from God the Father and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," we heard this voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. And we have the prophetic word made more sure. You will do well to pay attention to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

GOSPEL READING

Transfiguration of Jesus Christ The Gospel According to Matthew 17:1-9

At that time, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain apart. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is well that we are here; if you wish, I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces, and were filled with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of man is raised from the dead."

METROPOLIS ANNOUNCEMENTS

YAL Conference – Labor Day Weekend – REGISTER TODAY!

Are you ready to FULFILL your purpose and make friends to last a lifetime? If you are ages 18 – 35 then the YAL Conference is for YOU! Please join us over Labor Day Weekend in Orange County, CA for a full weekend of events, workshops, worship, and relaxation. Highlights of the weekend include engaging workshops, worship, dances, social events, an afternoon at the beach, a formal Hellenic Gala, and a fun-filled event called "Rock 'n' YAL" at the House of Blues in Anaheim, California. Attendees will have the opportunity to enjoy live music, dancing, and an unforgettable night of entertainment at this iconic venue. Diakonia is also an important part of the YAL ministry and will include a program to benefit those in need in the local community. For registration and hotel information, please visit www.sanfran.goarch.org/YAL. Space is limited - the deadline is approaching soon!

Monthly Ministry Series – Monday, August 21

The Metropolis of San Francisco Stewardship Ministry invites you to the next presentation of our 2023 Monthly Ministry Series on Monday, August 21, 2023, for a special presentation on *“The Anastasimatarion – The Importance of Saturday Vespers and Sunday Orthros in our Lives”*.

As Orthodox Christians, we make time weekly on Sundays to attend the Divine Liturgy and receive the Eucharist. Some may have noticed that service on the calendar before the Divine Liturgy is always there, many times an hour or so earlier. Fewer of us may have noticed there is a Saturday night service that is consistently there. We may question ourselves, “If going to receive Holy Communion is the most important thing, what is with these extra services that do not have sacraments?” That earlier Sunday morning service is essential to our spiritual lives, and that Saturday night service is as well! Through psalms and hymns from the **Anastasimatarion**, journey with us as we take you through Vespers and Matins and show how essential these services are in preparing for the Divine Liturgy. Register today: www.sanfran.goarch.org/ministries/stewardship.

Senior Resort Camp

The Metropolis of San Francisco Family Wellness Ministry presents *A Royal Adventure, Senior Resort Camp* for adults aged 50 or better! Join us from Monday, September 25 – Friday, September 29, 2023, at Saint Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center in Dunlap, CA for good food, great company, and majestic experiences. And what Royal Adventure would be complete without high tea? The adventure begins with registration on Monday afternoon. Our first Royal Feast will be Monday evening's dinner. The adventure concludes on Friday after breakfast. For registration information, please contact St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Fresno, CA 559-233-0397.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekday Divine Services for the Month of August

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar)

Monday, August 7 th	Small Paraklesis – 6:00pm
Wednesday, August 9 th	Small Paraklesis – 6:00pm
Friday, August 11 th	Small Paraklesis – 6:00pm
Monday, August 14 th	Great Vespers of Dormition in Long Beach – 7:00pm
Tuesday, August 15 th	Dormition of the Theotokos (Orthros – 9:00am, Divine Liturgy – 10:00am)
Tuesday, August 29 th	Beheading of John the Baptist the Forerunner. (Orthros – 9:00am, Divine Liturgy – 10:00am)



Today Social Hour is hosted by: Philoptochos

St. Anthony's Coffee Hour is coordinated by St. Anthony Philoptochos:

Host a Coffee Hour and Celebrate a Nameday, Milestone Birthday, Anniversary, Graduation, Loved One, or for any reason. A sign-up poster has been placed in the foyer of the Parish Community Center. Please sign up on the poster or contact Tanya Christodoulelis at 626-379-2304. Thank you for your support. **Please contact the Church office if you need to schedule a Memorial and if you wish to host the Social Hour on that Sunday.**

Church and Youth Ministries Registration Sunday on September 10.

Light lunch will be provided (immediately following Divine Liturgy)

We are excited for the beginning of the Ecclesiastical New Year and being back together again with all our ministries.

2023-2024 Greek Language school:

Youth registration with a discount rate opens August 4th through September 4th,

Adult registration with a discount rate ends on October 4th.

Classes for youth and adults start the second week of October and terminate the last week of May.

Complete and submit registration forms with your payment and proof of membership (Pledge Steward) directly to the office.

SAVE THE DATES: **Saturday and Sunday, September 30 and October 1, 2023 Pasadena Greek Fest Returns.** Please join us for food, drink, dance, games and fun!

St. Anthony needs the whole community to support this event. Your help is needed financially, as well as by volunteering. This is a community event and the best way to get to your fellow St. Anthony family!

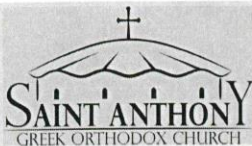
For further information please contact: Anthia Lucas: (626)274-6133. or for donations contact juliekiotas@gmail.com.

2023 Church Stewardship Financial Commitment (Pledge).

Thank you to everyone who has returned the completed commitment card. If you have not done it, please return your completed commitment card to church as soon as possible. ***If you are new to the community and want to become a member in our Church, please feel free to either take a Steward Financial Commitment card from the announcement table in the narthex, contact the Church office or Please visit saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com to make your offering and schedule your regular stewardship giving.***

Weekly stewardship envelopes are available.

Please contact the church office if you would like to have them for the 2023 stewardship contributions.



2023 Stewardship Financial Commitment

*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,
as good stewards of God's grace." (1 Peter 4:10)*

LAST NAME

FIRST NAME(S), PLEASE INCLUDE CHILDREN UNDER 18.

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PREFERRED PHONE

OTHER/SECOND PHONE

E-MAIL

[For office use only]

SIGNATURE

DATE

ANNUAL GIVING LEVELS:

***ARCHANGEL: \$15,000 and up**

\$288/week OR \$1,250/month & up

***ANGEL: \$10,000 - \$14,999**

\$192-\$288/week OR \$833-\$1,249/month

***GUARDIAN: \$7,000 - \$9,999**

\$135-\$192/week OR \$583-\$833/month

***DISCIPLE: \$4,000 - \$6,999**

\$77-\$135/week OR \$333-\$583/month

***FAITHFUL: \$2,000 - \$3,999**

\$38-\$77/week OR \$167-\$333/month

SUPPORTER: \$1,000 - \$1,999

\$19-\$38/week OR \$83-\$167/month

FRIEND: \$500 - \$999

\$9.60-\$19/week OR \$42-\$83/month

CONTRIBUTOR: \$499 & below

\$9.60/week OR \$42/month & below

Review your stewardship commitment prayerfully, consider what you offer to the Church in comparison to monthly utility/service payments.

Please return your completed commitment card to church by Jan. 31, 2023

Your card must be on file for you to be considered in 'Good Standing'

In response to God's blessings, I/we pledge a 2023 offering of:

My Stewardship Commitment for 2023: \$ _____

I will fulfill and pay my pledge: (CHECK ONE)

☐ Weekly at \$ _____/week

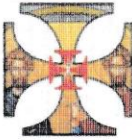
☐ Monthly at \$ _____/month

☐ Annually

Contact the Church office to set up easy recurring electronic payments -OR- set up your own recurring giving at <https://saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com>

****To fully cover our operating expenses, our goal is to have our average stewardship be \$2,000 or above per family***

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS



PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY OF SAINT ANTHONY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

778 South Rosemead Boulevard • Pasadena, California 91107

April 22, 2023

"Lord, When Did We See You Hungry and Feed You, Or Thirsty and Give You Drink? When Did We See You a Stranger and Take You In, Or Naked and Clothe You? When Did We See You Sick or In Prison and Come to You?... Inasmuch As You Did It to One of The Least Of These My Brethren, You Did It to Me." Matthew 25 37:40

Dear St. Anthony Greek Orthodox Ladies,

Did you know that Philoptochos was established **90 years** ago by Archbishop Athenagoras as the philanthropic arm of the Greek Orthodox Church of America? In those 90 years, our mothers, grandmothers, and great-grandmothers have been instrumental in making the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society one of the largest women's philanthropic religious organizations in the United States.

Our Chapter is currently holding a membership drive. We invite you to renew and encourage every woman in our parish, 18 years of age or older, to become a member of Philoptochos and fulfill our philanthropic mission to help the poor, the destitute, the hungry, the aged, the sick, the unemployed, the orphaned, the imprisoned, the widowed, those with disabilities and victims of disasters. Men are also welcome to join as an Associate member. When we combine our strengths and skills, great things can happen!

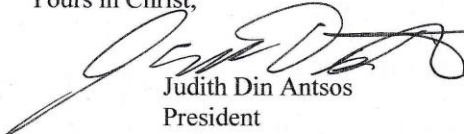
As we embark on a new year, we want to share with you our charitable efforts. Please see the reverse side to see the many charities we support locally, Nationally and through our San Francisco Metropolis. Our 2022 Christmas Benefit Luncheon chose IOCC as our featured charity with funds specifically earmarked for the Ukraine Relief Fund.

In 2021, National Philoptochos disbursed close to \$1,800,000 to those in need. Last year, our Panagia Chapter donated more than \$28,000 to our local charities.

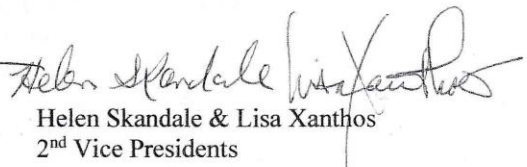
Please, renew or join by mail: enclose your registration form and check payable to St. Anthony Philoptochos, St. Anthony Philoptochos, 778 S. Rosemead Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91107. To process online: (go to <https://stanthonypiloptochos.square.site> and scroll down to Annual Membership Dues).

For those of you who have been members, we thank you for your many years of support and devotion and, to all prospective new members, we hope you will join us in our mission of philanthropic endeavors.

Yours in Christ,



Judith Din Antsos
President



Helen Skandale & Lisa Xanthos
2nd Vice Presidents

PHILOPTOCHOS



**PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY OF
SAINT ANTHONY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
PANAGIA CHAPTER**

PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERSHIP FORM

☐ 2023 Philoptochos Membership

☐ 2023 Associate Membership
(Men / Non-Voting)

Date _____

Last Name	First Name	Spouse Name	M.I.
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Street Address

City

State

Zip

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Email

 Notices will be sent via email. If you prefer your notices mailed, please, let us know by checking here ☐
St. Anthony's Philoptochos Stewardship (membership dues). Select amount below:
☐

\$50

☐

\$75

☐

\$100

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\$125

☐

Other

 Each \$50 stewardship supports National Philoptochos (\$15), San Francisco Metropolis (\$15) and St. Anthony Philoptochos obligations and projects (\$20). ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Cash

I am interested in helping with the following:

☐ Feeding the Hungry

☐ Hosting Fellowship

☐ Marketing

☐ Delivering Meals to Parishioners

☐ Baking & Cooking

☐ Website Designer

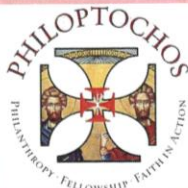
☐ Homebound Visitations

☐ Fundraising

☐ Other Talents

☐ Telephone Tree

☐ Social Media

☐ Specify


2023 PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Your continued generosity allows Philoptochos to provide financial assistance and outreach to those in need. We invite you to renew your membership or become a new member as we endeavor to do our philanthropic work. Join us as we strive to fulfill the word of Christ.

".. whatever you did for one of these, the least of my brethren, you did for me" - Matthew 25:30

PLEASE RENEW OR JOIN BY MAIL (Check payable to: Saint Anthony Philoptochos Society)

Mail your check along with this form to:

**Saint Anthony Philoptochos Society, Attention: Membership
778 South Rosemead Boulevard, Pasadena, CA 91107**

or pay online at <https://stanthonyphiloptochos.square.site>

Scroll down to "Annual Membership Dues"

For more information or questions, please contact Lisa Xanthos (626) 222-4374 or Helen Skandale (818) 618-4963

Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

August 6, 2023

Our Lord had spoken to His disciples many times not only concerning His Passion, Cross, and Death, but also concerning the coming persecutions and afflictions that they themselves would endure. Since all these evils were near at hand, but the enjoyment of good things which they hoped to receive in their stead was yet to come, our Savior desired to give them full assurance, evidently and openly, concerning that glory which is prepared for those who endure to the end. Therefore, fulfilling that which He had promised shortly before, that "there be some standing here which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His Kingdom" (Matt. 16:28), He took His three foremost disciples and ascended Mount Tabor, where He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as the light. Suddenly, together with this dread and marvelous effulgence of light, there appeared those pinnacles of the Prophets, Moses and Elias, who spoke with the Lord Jesus concerning His saving Passion which was about to take place. Standing before Him as reverent servants, they showed that He is the Lord of both the living and the dead, for Moses came forth from Hades, having died many centuries before, and Elias, as it were from heaven, whither he had been taken up while yet alive. After a little while a radiant cloud overshadowed them and out of the cloud they heard that same voice which had been heard at the Jordan at the Baptism of Christ, testifying to the Divinity of Jesus and saying: "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well-pleased; hear ye Him" (Matt. 17: 5).

Such are the marvels, truly worthy of God, celebrated in this present feast, which is an image and prefiguring of the future state of the righteous, whose splendor the Lord spoke of, saying: "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun" (Matt. 13:43). It is because of this that the Kontakion of this Feast is said daily (when there is not a great feast) in the Service of the Typica in perpetual commemoration of the glory that will be the lot of the Saints. According to tradition, the Lord's Transfiguration came to pass forty days before His Crucifixion; this is why the Transfiguration is celebrated forty days before the Exaltation of the Cross.



WELCOME!



We hope you enjoy your time with us today and
that your worship experience is inspirational and uplifting.

Please note that *only baptized and/or Chrismated Orthodox Christians may partake of the Sacrament of Holy Communion*. At the end of the Divine Liturgy, you are welcome to come and receive the *Antidoron* (blessed bread) from the priest.

Contact our office at 626-449-6943 or office@saint-anthonys.org to receive more information about our parish or the Orthodox Christian faith.

The deadline for submitting information for the Sunday Bulletin is every Wednesday. please send it to office@saint-anthonys.org