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SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 THE ELEVATION OF THE CROSS

ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.
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DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M. (LITURGY SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)

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HYMNS OF THE DAY

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KONTAKION MODE 4.

You who were lifted on the cross voluntarily, * O Christ our God, bestow Your tender compassions * upon Your new community to which You gave Your name. * Cause our faithful emperors to be glad in Your power, * granting them the victories against their adversaries. * And for an ally, Lord, may they have You, * peace as their armor, the trophy invincible.

Ό ὑψωθεὶς ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ ἑκουσίως, τῇ ἐπωνύμῳ σου καινῇ πολιτείᾳ, τοὺς οἰκτιρμούς σου δώρησαι, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός. Εὔφρανον ἐν τῇ δυνάμει σου, τοὺς πιστοὺς βασιλεῖς ἡμῶν, νίκας χορηγῶν αὐτοῖς, κατὰ τῶν πολεμίων τὴν συμμαχίαν ἔχοιεν τὴν σήν, ὅπλον εἰρήνης, ἀήττητον τρόπαιον.

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE DAY

EPISTLE READING

St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 1:18-24

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.



GOSPEL READING

The Gospel According to 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.

HOLY COMMUNION PROCEDURE

- *For the benefit of our Sunday School students, their teachers and the TIMELY start of their Sunday School Classes, the children will be receiving Holy Communion first.
- *The ushers will release the children by pew from Front to Back.
- *Only parents of the smallest, youngest Sunday School children, who need assistance, should receive Holy Communion with their children.
- *If you are not seated when Holy Communion begins, please take a seat in the back rows, quietly. Your children will be released in turn.
- *Please do not attempt to send your children down the side aisles to the front alone or down the center aisle.
- *After all children have received, the ushers will release the adults, again from the front pews.
- *Please cooperate with our ushers. Please do not ask to be allowed through ahead of others.
- *Please remember this new procedure is for the benefit of our children and their Sunday School experience.



Festival Countdown All Hands-on Deck: Light lunch will be served (by Saint Anthony)

Please join us immediately after church to prepare dolmathes for our festival next weekend. Grab a quick bite to eat and come into the kitchen and help us prepare! Don't forget to sign up to work next weekend. Many hands make light work!

STUDIES IN THE FAITH

Fall Session, 2025: October 06th - Nov. 24th

Our text for the 2025 Studies in the Faith class will be, *The Orthodox Faith, "Spirituality" Volume 4,* by Fr.Thomas Hopko. Our class for this fall, will be taught over 8 class sessions, meeting on Monday evenings: 6:30 – 7:45pm.

These informative Zoom classes will serve as an excellent introduction to the Orthodox Faith for those interested in learning about the Orthodox Church. This series of classes will also provide an inspiring enrichment and review for practicing Orthodox Christians.

- *Reading each week's assigned chapter and participating in class discussions is encouraged to ensure that the sessions become an exciting and meaningful experience for all participants. For those interested in this fall's class please email Fr. Peter at this address: frpeter@saint-anthonys.org (I will then, send you the Zoom link to logon).
- * Google SVS Press, go to the Find a Book tab at the top right of page, and type in: Volume 1 Doctrine and Scripture. The cost of the book is \$23. (Please order your copy as soon as possible and begin reading).

CHAPTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

Introductory Session - Monday October 06th

Chapter One: "Orthodox Spirituality"

Second Session - Monday October 13th

Chapter Two: "The Beatitudes"

Third Session - Monday October 20th

Chapter Three: "The Virtues"

Fourth Session – Monday October 27th

Chapter Four: "The Greatest Virtue is Love"

Fifth Session - Monday November 03rd

Chapter Five: "Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving"

Sixth Session - Monday November 10th

Chapter Six: "Sexuality, Marriage, and Family"

Seventh Session - Monday November 17th

Chapter Seven: "Sickness, Suffering, and Death"

Eighth Session - Monday November 24th

Chapter Eight: "The Kingdom of Heaven"

METROPOLIS NEWS

<u>Metropolis Gala – Celebrating Our Ministries and Honoring Extraordinary Leadership</u>

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco warmly invites you to a magnificent black-tie Gala on Saturday, October 11, 2025, at the JW Marriott, Anaheim Resort in Anaheim, CA. This event will celebrate the vibrant ministries of the Metropolis and honor two extraordinary stewards, Nikiforos and Georgia Valaskantjis, recipients of the 2025 Theofanis Economidis Award. The Gala will provide vital support for the thirteen dynamic Metropolis ministries that enrich the spiritual, educational, cultural, and social life of our faithful. For information on tickets, sponsorships and donations, please visit: www.sanfran.goarch.org/Gala2025.

Orthodox Parish Leadership Webinar

The Metropolis Orthodox Parish Leadership ministry is offering a webinar on "Enhancing Parishioner Engagement Utilizing an Intergenerational Approach" on Monday, September 15 at 6:30 p.m. George Ekizian will lead this engaging discussion on enhancing parishioner engagement and utilizing an intergenerational approach as a powerful way to foster community, deepen spiritual growth, and strengthen relationships within the church. Discover how to leverage the unique gifts and perspectives of each generation to strengthen your parish's spiritual life, community outreach, and overall vitality. Register online at: www.sanfran.goarch.org/events.

Metropolis Young Adult Fall Retreat 2025

The Metropolis Young Adult Fall Retreat is eager to welcome 18 – 35 year olds to at Saint Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center over the weekend of Thursday, October 16 – Sunday, October 19, 2025. Young Adults ages 18 – 39 from all Orthodox traditions are welcome to attend a weekend of hiking, prayer, and fellowship. The retreat theme will be "Glory to Thee for Every Step of My Life's Journey" with guest speaker Rev. Archdeacon Justin Bosl from Resurrection Greek Orthodox Church in Castro Valley, CA. We will explore together the spiritual path to Christ's Kingdom! Register today at https://gosfyouth.org/youngadults#/young-adult-fall-retreat.

St. Anthony's 2025 Pledged Stewards (Members)

(as of September 11, 2025)

Stratos, Fr. Peter/Pres. Aida

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Albeck, Irene

Albeck, Mark Gregory

Alex, Alysa

Anast, Alexandra

Andrei, Dragos & Ioana Andros, Gus & Lorena Angelos, James & Sophia

Angiuli, Joseph (Joey) & Elizabeth

Antsos, Dimitrios & Judith Din

Argueta, Cris & Teresa V.

Arviso, Ange

Athanasoulis, Chris & Tina Athans, Tesi & Craig Lareau

Athans, Tina & Dean P.

Athenson, Alex & Cynthia Sigler

Attalla, Philip "Ted" & Michelle Reagan

Ayers, Nicole

Balas, Argiro Julie & Dino

Balas, Christian Baliotis, Tina

Becker, Connie & Brian L.

Becronis, Christina Bicos, Chris & Eleni

Bissias, Peter

Blosiu, Julian O. & Catalina E.

Bonorris, Bill

Bonorris, Donna & Pete Boukidis, Katherine

Bowers, Connie & Terree

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Bryant, Dan & Karen

Buickians, Gagik & Jacqueline

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Caire, John.

Chames, Anastasia.

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Demopulos, Michael & Patricia

Dewar, Mary & Andrew Dimopoulos, Antonios Dobbs, Nicholas & Allison Duncan, Jan & Stephanie

Dupas, Christina Dupas, George Dupas, Katherine

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Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this stewardship list. Please forgive us if there are any errors or omissions. Contact Alma at the church office 626-449-6943 for any questions.



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2025 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)

Contact the Church office to set up easy recurring electronic payments

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*To fully cover our operating expenses, our goal is to

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Please return your completed 2025 stewardship pledge card to the Church office as soon as possible.

Pledge cards are available in the Narthex, or contact the Church office

Please visit <u>saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com</u> or scan the QR code below to make your one time or recurring offering/pledge.

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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.

2025 GREEK FESTIVAL PASTRY PREPARATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 14 Dolmathes after Divine Liturgy

Monday, September 15 Melomakarona

Cooking will start at 9:00 am and lunch will be provided. Ending times vary depending on the items being prepared and the number of volunteers that attend.

Please join us, even if you only have a couple of hours. We can't do it without you! We look forward to seeing you.





SPONSOR APPLICATION September 19-21, 2025

The Pasadena Greek Festival is the major fundraising event that supports St. Anthony's and its programs. Saint Anthony operates as a 501(c) entity and your donations are tax deductible (Tax ID#95-3764229).

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Pasadena Greek Fest Update & Info

Be sure to stop by our energetic, fantastic, and young Festival committee right after Divine Liturgy at the Fest Table just outside the hall. It's your one-stop shop—you can make a sponsorship pledge today, grab tickets for our exciting Volkswagen raffle (yep, we're giving away a car!), sign up to volunteer, and pick up posters and postcards to share at work. After all, word of mouth is the best way to spread the word! So let's get our friends and family involved in promoting the festival too. Together, we can make this one the best yet

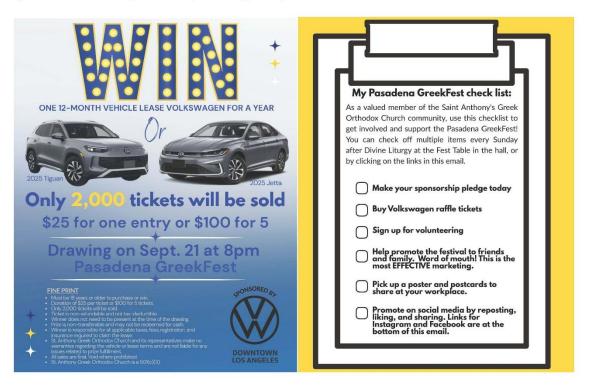
Food Prep Dates

Cooking begins at 9:00 am, with lunch provided. Join us—even for just a couple of hours. We can't do it without you! We look forward to seeing you.

Pastries Daily - September 2nd - 15th & September 14th Dolmathes

Multiple Personal & Business Sponsorship Tiers Available!

As we prepare for the GreekFest, we are offering a variety of sponsorship opportunities for individuals, businesses, and organizations. This year's Executive Committee is working hard to ensure a successful event, but we cannot do it without your support. Please let us know if you are interested in any of the sponsorship packages, and feel free to reach out if you have any questions. We look forward to partnering with you!



SAINT ANTHONY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

PASADENA GREEKFEST

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The Elevation of the Venerable and Life-Giving Cross September 14

Saint Helen, the mother of Saint Constantine the Great, when she was already advanced in years, undertook, in her great piety, the hardships of a journey to Jerusalem in search of the cross, about the year 325. A temple to Aphrodite had been raised up by the Emperor Hadrian upon Golgotha, to defile and cover with oblivion the place where the saving Passion had been suffered. The venerable Helen had the statue of Aphrodite destroyed, and the earth removed, revealing the Tomb of our Lord, and three crosses. Of these, it was believed that one must be that of our Lord, the other two of the thieves crucified with Him; but Saint Helen was at a loss which one might be the Wood of our salvation. At the inspiration of Saint Macarius, Archbishop of Jerusalem, a lady of Jerusalem, who was already at the point of death from a certain disease, was brought to touch the crosses, and as soon as she came near to the Cross of our Lord, she was made perfectly whole. Consequently, the precious Cross was lifted on high by Archbishop Macarius of Jerusalem; as he stood on the ambo, and when the people beheld it, they cried out, "Lord have mercy." It should be noted that after its discovery, a portion of the venerable Cross was taken to Constantinople as a blessing. The rest was left in Jerusalem in the magnificent church built by Saint Helen, until the year 614. At that time, the Persians plundered Palestine and took the Cross to their own country (see Jan. 22, Saint Anastasius the Persian). Late, in the year 628, Emperor Heraclius set out on a military campaign, retrieved the Cross, and after bringing it to Constantinople, himself escorted it back to Jerusalem, where he restored it to its place.



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