

The Word

December 2025

*"And the Word became flesh & dwelt
among us, full of grace & truth."
~John 1:14*



In Hoc Anno Domini

Written in 1949 by Vermont Royster and annually published in the Wall Street:

When Saul of Tarsus set out on his journey to Damascus the whole of the known world lay in bondage. There was one state, and it was Rome. There was one master for it all, and he was Tiberius Caesar.

Everywhere there was civil order, for the arm of the Roman law was long. Everywhere there was stability, in government and in society, for the centurions saw that it was so.

But everywhere there was something else, too. There was oppression—for those who were not the friends of Tiberius Caesar. There was the tax gatherer to take the grain from the fields and the flax from the spindle to feed the legions or to fill the hungry treasury from which divine Caesar gave largess to the people. There was the impressor to find recruits for the circuses. There were executioners to quiet those whom the Emperor proscribed. What was a man for but to serve Caesar?

There was the persecution of men who dared think differently, who heard strange voices or read strange manuscripts. There was enslavement of men whose tribes came not from

Rome, disdain for those who did not have the familiar visage. And most of all, there was everywhere a contempt for human life. What, to the strong, was one man more or less in a crowded world?

Then, of a sudden, there was a light in the world, and a man from Galilee saying, Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's and unto God the things that are God's.

And the voice from Galilee, which would defy Caesar, offered a new Kingdom in which each man could walk upright and bow to none but his God. Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. And he sent this gospel of the Kingdom of Man into the uttermost ends of the earth.

So the light came into the world and the men who lived in darkness were afraid, and they tried to lower a curtain so that man would still believe salvation lay with the leaders.

But it came to pass for a while in divers places that the truth did set man free, although the men of darkness were offended and they tried to put out the light. The voice said, Haste ye. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness come upon

you, for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.

Along the road to Damascus the light shone brightly. But afterward Paul of Tarsus, too, was sore afraid. He feared that other Caesars, other prophets, might one day persuade men that man was nothing save a servant unto them, that men might yield up their birthright from God for pottage and walk no more in freedom.

Then might it come to pass that darkness would settle again over the lands and there would be a burning of books and men would think only of what they should eat and what they should wear, and would give heed only to new Caesars and to false prophets. Then might it come to pass that men would not look upward to see even a winter's star in the East, and once more, there would be no light at all in the darkness.

And so Paul, the apostle of the Son of Man, spoke to his brethren, the Galatians, the words he would have us remember afterward in each of the years of his Lord:

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

December Services

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All services will be streamed.

[Stream Services Here](#)

December Services

Date	Service	Time
Tuesday, December 2	St. Porphyrios	8:30 am
Saturday, December 6	St. Nicholas	8:30 am
Sunday, December 7	10th Sunday of Luke	8:30 am
Friday, December 12	St. Spyridon	8:30 am
Sunday, December 14	11th Sunday of Luke	8:30 am
Monday, December 15	Holy Unction	6:00 pm
Wednesday, December 17	St. Dionysius	8:30 am
Saturday, December 20	St. Ignatius	8:30 am
Sunday, December 21	Sunday before Nativity	8:30 am
Wednesday, December 24	Royal Hours and Vespersal Divine Liturgy	8:30 am
Thursday, December 25	Holy Nativity of Our Lord	8:30 am
Sunday, December 28	Sunday after Nativity	8:30 am
Tuesday, December 30	Apodosis Great Vespers	6:00 pm
Wednesday, December 31	Leave Taking of Christmas	8:30 am
Thursday, January 1	St. Basil	8:30 am

Parish Council Elections

Parish Council elections will be held Sunday, December 14, 2025, after Divine Liturgy, in our Fellowship Hall. There will be four vacancies on the Parish Council for 2026. Three applications for Parish Council were received for this 2026-2028 three-year term:

Chrisoula Capetanos

Nick Eftimiou

Spiro Stratigos

2026 Directory

We will be including a printed 2026 Parish Directory in the January Calendar mailing. If you have any changed contact information that you have not provided to the Church Office, please email us at office@nativityofchrist.org or call us at 415-883-1998, prior to **December 15**, to update your information.

BUILDING ON OUR FAITH

Sunday, December 14th following the Divine Liturgy



COME AND SEE

Take a walking tour with the Steering Committee and experience our vision for the future.



Walking Tour Highlights

- Narthex/Gateway
- Enlarged Dome
- Small Hall Addition
- Elevator/ADA Access
- Drop Off/ADA Access
- Walk of Faith Path



We look forward to seeing you!

Stewardship

As a young child, I remember the excitement of the Christmas season. The weeks leading up to Christmas I counted my gifts under the tree. I recall Christmas caroling and the abundance of food and volume in all the family dinners that would inevitably end with the cousins playing games late into the night. While I hold those memories fondly in my heart as an adult, my true joy is in giving gifts. The joy of giving is not merely about material presents; it is about sharing love, compassion, and hope. Giving allows our hearts to stretch, our compassion to deepen, and our joy to multiply. In Acts 20:35, the Apostle Paul reminds us of Jesus' words: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." During this Christmas season, let us embrace a deeper joy: the happiness found in giving to others. As stewards, so many of you, not only in December but, also throughout the year, give of your time, talents and treasures. Take a moment to reflect and be filled with the joy that comes with giving.

Please Join us for Stewardship Sunday on December 14.



Nativity of Christ

Great Vespers and Apodosis Dinner

Come celebrate our Name Day as a
community!

Tuesday, December 30

**Great Vespers at 6:00 pm
followed by Apodosis Dinner**

Flower Donations

As we celebrate our Lord's Birth and Parish feast day, we are blessed to decorate our Nativity icon on the iconostasion and processional icon for our Apodosis feast day. If you would like to make a donation for these decorations please contact the Church Office or Fr. John. Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

Word Mailing Team

**Join us monthly as we fold and label the
the Word newsletters. This month we are
gathering Tuesday, Dec. 30 at 10 am.**

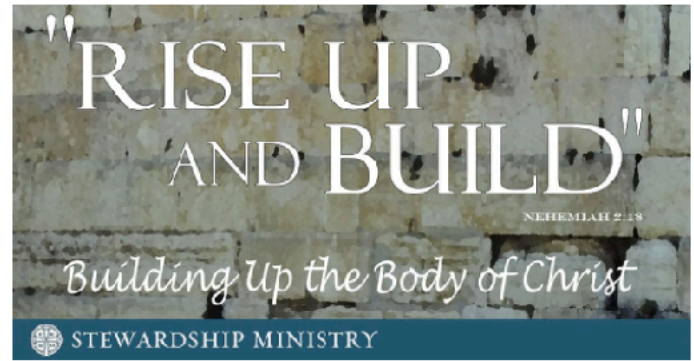
Questions?

Email the Church Office.

office@nativityofchrist.org

2026 NATIVITY OF CHRIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT FORM

Orthodox Christian Stewardship is our active commitment to use all our time and talent and treasure for the benefit of humankind in grateful acknowledgment of Christ's redeeming love. Christian Stewardship is your relationship to God and God's church; it is learning how to enjoy Church life and be happy in Church work, for in Her dwells the fullness of the Spirit of God.



NAME _____ (Name Day _____)	CELL PHONE _____	EMAIL _____
HOME PHONE _____	MAILING ADDRESS _____	
SPOUSE _____ (Name Day _____)	CELL PHONE _____	EMAIL _____
May we include your contact information in the parish directory (If yes, please indicate any information you would like excluded) <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no		

TREASURE In gratitude for God's blessings, I/We Pledge to contribute for Christ's work at Nativity of Christ for the year 2026 the following amount:
\$ _____

May we add you to our parish email list?

☐ yes / ☐ no / ☐ I/We are already on it

CHILD NAME _____ (Name Day _____)

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TIME AND TALENT MINISTRY INTERESTS

Individual stewards should indicate areas of interest with an X.
Families should mark "H" for husband, "W" for wife or "C" for children.

<input type="checkbox"/> GEM Greek Language <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Sports <input type="checkbox"/> Dance Group <input type="checkbox"/> JOY (Children) <input type="checkbox"/> GOYA (Youth) <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School Student <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday School Teacher <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Religious Education <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Bible Study <input type="checkbox"/> Ladies' Activities <input type="checkbox"/> Men's Activities	<input type="checkbox"/> New Member Events <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Team <input type="checkbox"/> Narthex Greeters <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adults (YAL) <input type="checkbox"/> VIPs 60+ Ministry <input type="checkbox"/> Philoptochos <input type="checkbox"/> Choir <input type="checkbox"/> Altar boys/Acolytes <input type="checkbox"/> Reader <input type="checkbox"/> Baking Prosfora <input type="checkbox"/> Bookstore	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Outreach <input type="checkbox"/> Feed the Hungry <input type="checkbox"/> Visitation – Shut-ins <input type="checkbox"/> Mailing Prep Team <input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal Mgt/Review <input type="checkbox"/> By-Laws <input type="checkbox"/> Computer/Technical <input type="checkbox"/> Office Help <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter Creation <input type="checkbox"/> Campus Clean-up <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday Fellowship <input type="checkbox"/> Festival Volunteer	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal <input type="checkbox"/> Garden & Landscape <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing <input type="checkbox"/> Interior/Exterior Repairs <input type="checkbox"/> Stewardship <input type="checkbox"/> Development /Fundraising <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations <input type="checkbox"/> Technical Support <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
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Philoptochos

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Philoptochos Meeting

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, December 2 at 7 pm. All are welcome! Due to the inclement weather and early darkness, the meeting will be held on **Zoom only**. Please join us in your very own cube! Be there and be square! We'd love to see you! Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83158313960?pwd=V0xTM0xEV3RMaFNZbGJ3Qy9CbnFIQT09> Meeting ID: 831 5831 3960 Passcode: phil

Fellowship Hours

Fellowship groups are going strong! Thanks to everyone who is a part of a group. You are the ones who make the Fellowship hours so welcoming. If you have not joined a group and would like to help, please contact Irene Meehan at imeehan715@gmail.com or 415-497-7674. Thank you!



Harvest Luncheon and Yiayia's Attic

The reviews are in – the food was great and the company even better! Thank you to all who made our turkey dinner one of the best!

Thanks to the generous offerings of so many parishioners and the great organizational skills of Kathy Marshall, Yiayia's Attic was a great success! And lots of fun, too!



Vasilopita cutting and drawing January 4

We're trying something new for the New Year. Do you have a passion for baking bread and showing it off? Here's your chance! You do not have to be a member of Philoptochos to enter a loaf (or two) for our drawing. Details to come soon! Find your favorite Vasilopita recipe and get ready to help support St. Basil Academy and the National Philoptochos Children's Fund.

Membership Sunday, January 11

This will be your chance to join Philoptochos for 2026. We will provide a light lunch. Through your generous membership donations, we have supported 19 national funds, five Metropolis funds, and 15 local charities in 2025. We also provided dinners for Johnathan's place, a gathering place for people in need of emergency shelter. In cooperation with the parish, we provided furnishings and set-up for two apartments with Welcoming Home. Thank you!

Light the Path

On November 16, the ladies of our Philoptochos attended the San Francisco Metropolis Light the Path Luncheon to benefit the students of Hellenic College and Holy Cross. Thanks for everyone's support!



Sunday School

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Whether you are reading this in your inbox or holding a printed copy in your hands, we have entered one of the most beautiful months of the year.

December is exciting — full of energy, movement, gatherings, preparation, and celebration. In the midst of this bustle, we as Orthodox Christians have the sacred opportunity to show our children that we can keep Christ first and at the very center of Christmas. Mid-November to Christmas Eve is a lenten period called Advent, or the Nativity Fast, designed to help us slow down and reflect on the beautiful gift we are about to receive; the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Attending services during this time, doing kind things for others, and reading Scripture can help us stay centered and focused on the true meaning of the season. To have the daily Bible readings at your fingertips, download the Greek Orthodox Daily Readings app.

As we prepare for the Nativity of our Lord, we pray that not only Christmas trees and family memories fill your home this season — but, also most importantly, that Christ Himself is present, living, and in our midst, just as we proclaim every Sunday.

During Thanksgiving, we gave thanks to God for all of His blessings. Now, let us also bring our children closer to Christ — filling them with all five senses of the meaning and wonder of the Nativity: sight, sound, touch, smell, and taste — so that this Feast becomes something real, lived, and loved in their hearts.

One of the most beautiful traditions that helps our children experience the Nativity is our annual Christmas play. Emails have been sent, and all students should be signed up to participate — either as narrators or as characters in the reenactment. If your child has not yet been assigned a part, please email Sunday School at sundayschool@nativityofchrist.org with any questions or role requests.

Please note that we will be asking students to attend each Sunday for a short Sunday school lesson, followed by play practice, as we prepare this joyful offering to our whole parish

congregation and families.

Sunday School will meet every Sunday in December except the “Nativity” play performance day, December 21.

December 28 is Family Sunday - a special opportunity for parents and children to worship together, side-by-side, as one family before God. On these assigned Sundays, Father would love to see families unified in prayer, chanting with the choir, hearing the Gospel and Divine Liturgy together with their whole family and guests who have come to be with them for the holidays. “Come one, Come all.”

Sunday School wishes you, and your family, a most blessed Christmas and a joyful New Year! Your love and support are truly appreciated.

With love in Christ,

Your Sunday School Staff



Holiday Market and YiaYia's Attic

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Holiday Market and YiaYia's Attic

Thank you to our volunteers, vendors, and especially our fearless leader, Eva Aaron, for another successful Holiday Market, and Susan Stockton for guiding us through YiaYia's Attic. May it be the beginning of a blessed Christmas season!



Highlights

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Kid's Night

Hosted by the Minoans, 1st through 5th graders and their parents recently enjoyed a fantastic evening of fun! The night included a great session learning a new dance, followed by a relaxing movie screening complete with pizza and popcorn. Thank you to all who joined for the fun and fellowship!



Sack Meals

On November 24, parishioners gathered again to assemble 150 sack meals for St. Vincent de Paul. Join us this month on December 9 beginning at 9 am.



Sunday Funday

On November 2, we had our monthly Sunday Funday. Autumn crafts were among the many wonderful parts of the afternoon.



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SONs

On Thursday, November 6, we had another wonderful SONs gathering. Thank you to the Kelley's for their amazing hospitality! Join us December 11 for our SONs Christmas party at the Stratigos home.



VIPs

On Friday, November 21, our VIPs gathered after services for their November luncheon. Join us December 12 for our December luncheon after the Divine Liturgy for St. Spyridon.



JOY Event

On Sunday, November 16, JOY gathered after Liturgy to discuss how gratitude is so deeply found in the Divine Liturgy. Each student also individually expressed their own gratitude in their lives. May it be a blessed Thanksgiving for all!



Upcoming in November

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Join us to celebrate

SUNDAY FUNDAY

Jesus is the reason for the season!
Let's kick off the month with fun
crafts, the jumpy house and more!

DECEMBER 7TH
following Divine Liturgy & Sunday School



Christmas PARTY

Thursday, December 11th 6:30PM
Hosted by Gigi & Marina

rsup for address

Join us for a fun evening of laughter,
holiday cheer, and our annual White
Elephant Gift Exchange!

*Significant others welcome
to watch Thursday Night
Football next door!*



★
SONS

CHRISTMAS *Party*

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11TH
06.30 PM
HOSTED BY SPIRO STRATIGOS

RSVPS Appreciated!

**Please note the date
change from our original
calendar.**



JOIN US FOR A

VIP Luncheon

Friday,
December 12th

FOLLOWING
DIVINE LITURGY

Upcoming Events

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NATIVITY OF CHRIST'S 14TH ANNUAL

Family Blanket Tying Night



Since 2011, we have tied and donated over 1,007 blankets to UCSF's Benioff Children's Hospital Pediatric Cardiac Intensive Care Unit and the Center for Domestic Peace. This year, we will surpass 1,100 blankets!

Monetary donations are needed to make this happen. While many generous hands help us tie the blankets, every monetary donation directly helps us purchase materials so we can keep spreading comfort and care to those who need it most.

**SATURDAY
DEC. 6TH**

 *Vespers at 5:00*

followed by

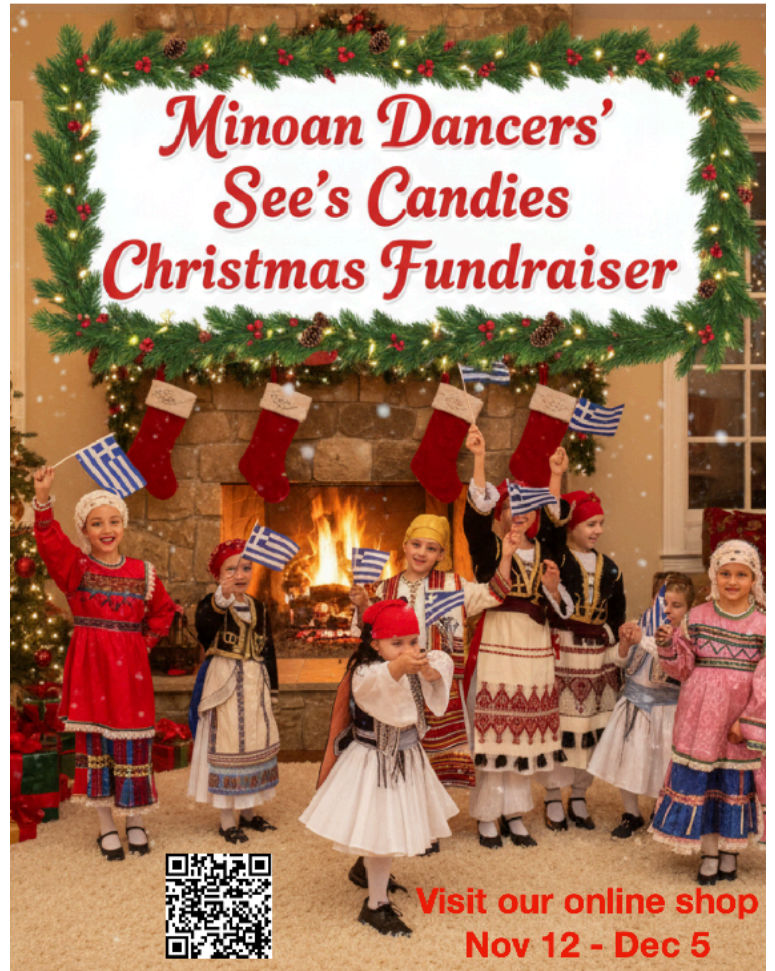
 *Blankets*

and

 *Dinner*

Thank you for helping us make a difference, one blanket at a time.
Blankets will be donated in loving memory of Elektra Fourakis.

Minoan Dancers' See's Candies Christmas Fundraiser



**Visit our online shop
Nov 12 - Dec 5**

Welcome TO THE ORTHODOX CHURCH

AN INTRODUCTION TO
Eastern Christianity

A Book Discussion
Series with Fr. John

Wednesday,
December 3 and 17
7:30 pm on Zoom

Frederica
Mathewes-Green

NATIVITY OF CHRIST
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Christmas tree Lighting

**DECEMBER
5TH
6 - 8PM**



More Opportunities

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NATIVITY OF CHRIST ANGEL TREE PROGRAM

We are once again partnering with The Salvation Army's Angel Tree Program to donate new, unwrapped gifts to seniors and children in need this holiday season.

Please join us in spreading joy by following these simple steps:

- Take a tag (or two!) from the Christmas Tree in the Fellowship Hall.
- Purchase a new gift listed on the tag.
- Return the gift unwrapped with the tag securely attached.
- Place your gift in the Church Hall *no later than Sunday, December 14th, 2025.*

The Salvation Army will pick up and distribute all gifts to those in need.

If you have any questions, please contact Elaine Chyrklund at elainechyrklund@gmail.com

Thank you for your generosity & kindness!
- Elaine Chyrklund
& Christina Tzagarakis-Foster



SACK MEAL PROJECT

FOR THE ST. VINCENT DE
PAUL'S FREE DINING ROOM

WHEN

Tuesday,
December 9

WHERE

9-11AM NOC
Kitchen

VOLUNTEERS

4 Volunteers for
Sandwich Making

NEEDED

4 Volunteers for
the Assembly Line

SIGN UP HERE

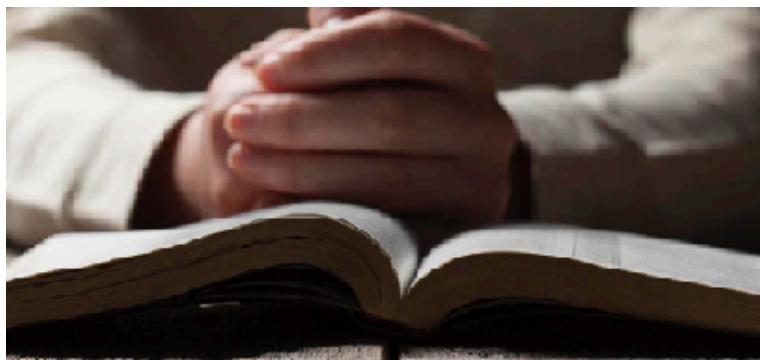
<https://tinyurl.com/DCMBR2025>

CONTACT

Elaine Chyrklund at
elainechyrklund@gmail.com
or Mary Kay Stratigos at
mkstrato@gmail.com



*Help prepare 150 sack meals for the needy in our community.
If you are unable to volunteer, monetary donations are welcome.
Cash or check payable to Nativity of Christ Memo: Sack Meal*



BIBLE STUDY

Tuesdays 9 am on Zoom.

"For the healing of soul and body..."

Sacrament of Holy Unction

Monday, December 15
at 6 pm

Bring your Holy Week books!

December Name Days

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It is the practice of our Church to give the name of a Saint to a newborn child. By assuming the name of a Saint, we honor the Saint, and we also provide the new Christian with an example worthy of emulation. The Saint then becomes the patron of the child, and we pray that through the Saint's intercessions, God will guide and protect the child throughout the child's life. Each month, we will be acknowledging in our monthly bulletin those celebrating their name day.

If by chance we accidentally missed someone's name day, we ask that you please contact the Church Office so that we may correct our records. We extend our prayers to all those celebrating their name day this month and beseech our heavenly Father to grant them many years!



Dec. 2: St. Barbara

Barbara Batbie
Barbara Owens

Dec. 6: St. Nicholas

Nicole Captanian
Nikolas Chester
Nick Daifotis
Nicholas Delis
Nicole Efstathiou
Nicholas Eftimiou
Niko Eggleston
Nicholas Enriquez
Nicholas Gavallos
Nicholas Gunder
Nicolas Haris
Nicole Haris
Nikolaos Hawes
Nick Hillman
Nicholas Kambur
Nick Kanas
Nick Kokalis
Nicole Kozas
Nikos Kuvelis
Nick Livanos
Nicholas Lynn
Nicole Mavromihalis
Nicole Meehan
Nicholas Messner

Nicholas Michael
Nicole Papageorge
Nicolette Payea
Nicholas Perivolaris
Nick Psaros
Darron Rishwain
Nicole Rizzuti
Nikki Salmas
Jonathan Silverberg
Nicholas Stavriniades
Nikolas Spiro Stratigos
Nick Vlahakos
Nicholas Xenelis

Dec. 9: St. Hannah

Hannah Messner

Dec. 9: St. Anna

Anna Kozas
Meredith Passaris
Anna-Maria Simos
Dec. 12: St. Spyridon
Emre Aaron Dellinger
Spiro Stratigos
Spiro Vlachos

Dec. 13: St. Eustratios

Stacey Weeks

Dec. 15: St.

Eleutherios

Ria Haralambopoulos

Ellie Haris
Fei Lucas
Anthoula Vlachos

Dec. 15: St. Susanna

Sylvia Haritakis
Sylvia Ross
Susan Stockton

Dec. 17: St. Dionysios

Dennis Cordellos
Dennis Thomatos

Dec. 22: St. Anastasia

Pamela Barksdale
Tiffany Hobson

Dec. 24: St. Eugenia

Evelyn Adams
Eugenia Dracopoulos

Dec. 25: Nativity of

Christ

Chris Antonis
Chrisoula Capetanios
Christian Castro
Rustam Gagas
Chris Kalabokes
Christ Kamages
Christos Kavouklis
Christine Mehas
Christina Michael
Christos Pantazes

Christos Papageorge
Chris Siefkas
Christina Silverberg
Emmanuella Zachariou

Dec. 26: St. Euthemios

Emmanuel
Kaliontzakis

Dec. 26: St. Joseph

Donald Batbie

Dec. 27: St. Stephen

Steven Aaron
Jeffrey Castro
Stephanie Delis
Stephanie Lynn Gikkas
Stephen Kelley
Stephanie Kocolas
Steve Liveditis
Steven Mavromihalis
Steve Rangoussis
Stephania Vlachos
Stephen Alexander
Vlahakos
Phyllis Zaferiou

2025 Stewardship Pledges (as of November 21, 2025)

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Presiding Priest
Fr. John & Pres. Stephanie Kocolas

Priest Emeritus
Fr. Constantine Efstathiou

Pres. Evelyn Adams

Adams, Bill & Lisa
Albanes, Joseph
Alexander, Maria
Allen, Justin & Sara
Andronico, Frank
Angelonides, Peter & Arlene
Angelopoulos, Angelo & Maria
Antonis, Chris & Keri
Arango, Pat
Argyres, Andreas & JoAnne
Ballas, George
Barksdale, Pamela
Barry, Stephen & MaryLynn Samios-Barry
Batbie, Donals & Barbara
Bechaka, Sonia
Bertolina, Ronald & Elaine
Bizani, Alexandra
Blasingame, David & Katina
Botaitis, Demetri
Brzycki, Jeff & Tracy Langly
Burrows, Bill & Floretta
Camamis, Dina
Captanian, Ted & Connie
Castro, Jeff & Joanna
Capetanos, Bill & Chrisoula
Cerecedes, Frank & Dawne
Chester, Matthew & Katerina
Chyrklund, Chris & Elaine
Cordellos, Dennis
Constantin, Gus & Mary Jane
Contos, Jeff
Corcoran, Bruce & Fran
Cummings, Nathan & Daphne
Cunningham, Kenneth & Elaine
Curelaru, Viorica
Daifotis, Kimon & Cindy
Degaitis, Julia
Delfino, Ken & Carrie
Delis, Nicholas & Stephanie
Demakas, George
DesJardin, Kenny & Katia
Doers, Guy
Domenichelli, Daniel & Konstantina
Efstathiou, Paul & Kristen
Eftimiou, Nick & Jeanette Saris
Eggleston, Philp & Angela
El-Far, Karim & Jasmin
Fafoutis, Diane
Farmer, Tim & Eleni
Flohr, Dave & Diane

Fotinos, Vivian
Fourakis, Vasilis & Effie
Fradelizio, John & Georgia
Franklin, Alexandra
Friedman, Peter & Katina Pantazes
Fuss, Patrick
Gagas, Charles & Claire
Garton, Elena
Gatzios, Yiannis & Catherine
Gavallos, Dennis
Gavallos, Victor & Brenda
George, Ann
Georgeson, George & Debbie
Geron, Diana
Gikkas, Pete & Vickie Hatos
Gikkas, Stephanie
Gunder, Nicholas & Sidsel
Hadjiyianni, Loukia
Haginicols, Amalia
Hajopoulos, Kathy
Hall, Bryan & Paula Plessas-Hall
Hamill, John & Athanasia
Hanis, Jim & Stella
Haralambopoulos, Costas & Ria
Haris, George & Georgia
Haris, Nico & Nicole
Harris, Helen
Harvey, Robert & Elaine
Hawker, Nina
Hontalas, Chris & Susan
Hontalas, Frank & Eve
Hontalas, George & Amy
Hundley, Courtney & Marilyn
Hunter, John & Rose
Iannios, Demetrios & Manulani
Jianas, Alex & Diana
Kakleas, Jon
Kalabokes, Chris
Kalabokes, Matthew & Elina
Kamages, Alex & Sherry
Kamages, Pat & Christ
Kambur, JoAnne
Kanas, Nick & Carolyn
Katelanis, Olympia
Kavantjas, Diane
Keller, Ed & Karen
Kelley, Stephen & Eleni
Klobuchar, Alec & Maria Pavolou
Kokalis, George & Debbie
Kokalis, Nick & Lena
Kosmas, Anthony & Anthonia
Kozas, Anna
Kozas, Nonda & Nicole
Kozas, Tom & Angie
Kouvelis, Dean & Denise
Kouvelis, Xenia
Lagios, Shiela
Lendaris, Antonia
Lendaris, George
Leventis, Zack & Georgia

Li, Robert & Stephanie Pappas
Livadas, Carl & Stacy Drakousis
Livanos, Nick & Patti
Lucas, Matt & Fei
Lynn, Thomas & Lucille
Madias, Constantine & Marti
Madias, Evangelia
Madias, Theodore
Malatras, John & Olivia Teter
Mandanis, Marjorie
Manesis, Alexandria
Manos, Michele
Margaronis, Anastasi & Maya
Marin, Doina
Marshall, Philip & Kathy
Mavrantonis, Antoni & Maureen Maguire
Mavromihalis, Steve & Vickie
Mayer, Paul & Diana Demetrulias
Medan, Dushan & Gigi
Meehan, Nicole
Meehan, Tom & Irene
Meek, Gerald & Stamatina
Meek, Jason
Mehas, Christine
Metallinos, Sophia
Misthos, Eileen
Morales, Marlon & Andrea
Morris, Susan
Morrisey, Lloyd & Anastasia
Pinoris
O'Connor, Wayne & Betty
Zootis
Orologas, Julie
Orologas, Katerina
Panagotacos, James & Diane
Pantazes, Christos & Jackie
Papageorge, Christos & Despina
Papanikolaou, Marina
Pappas, Evanthia
Passaris, Michael & Meredith
Passaris, Teodoro & Eleni
Pauletti, Jeff & Alexandra
Pederson, Daniela
Perivolaris, Nick
Perivolaris, Sara
Petracopoulos, George & Gina
Petracopoulos, Thelma
Pineda, Andy & Matina Seremetis
Powers, Bill & Kiki Taft
Psaros, Nick & Angi
Psaros, Stamatis & Eleni
Rishwain, Darron & Pamela
Roland, George & Doris
Rouman, Steve & Liz
Ruffcorn, Oren & Joanna
Sandoval, Irene
Sarantinos, Alexis

Saris, Anthony & Betty
Scanagatta, Roman & Eleni
Selmi, Cathy
Selmi, Helen
Sideris, Stassie
Siefkas, Chris & Susan
Silverberg, Jonathan & Cristina
Simon, Kay
Slenkin, Nancy
Smith, Evdokia
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Divine Services - 8:30 am St. Porphyrios Philoptochos Meeting at 7 pm	3 GEM Classes Minoans Dance Practice Welcome to Orthodoxy 7:30 pm	4	5 Nativity Tree Lighting 6 pm	6 Divine Services - 8:30 am St. Nicholas Great Vespers 5 pm Blanket Tying after Vespers
7 10 th Sunday of Luke Orthos 8:30 am Liturgy 9:30 am Sunday School Sunday Eunday Nativity Program Practice Minoans Dance Practice	8	9 Bible Study 9 am Sack Meals 9 am	10 GEM Classes Minoans Dance Practice	11 Ladies Christmas Party 6:30 pm SONs Christmas Party 6:30 pm	12 Divine Services - 8:30 am St. Spyridon VIPs Luncheon Sparkle Gift Drive	13 Sparkle Gift Drive Great Vespers 5 pm
14 11 th Sunday of Luke Orthos 8:30 am Liturgy 9:30 am Sunday School Vision for the Future Nativity Program Practice Minoans Dance Practice	15 Holy Unction 6 pm	16 Bible Study 9 am Parish Council 7 pm	17 Divine Services - 8:30 am St. Dionysius GEM Classes Minoans Dance Practice Welcome to Orthodoxy 7:30 pm	18	19	20 Divine Services - 8:30 am St. Ignatius the God-Bearer Great Vespers 5 pm
21 Sunday before Nativity Orthos 8:30 am Liturgy 9:30 am Sunday School Nativity Program	22	23	24 Royal Hours and Vespers Divine Liturgy 8:30 am Office Closed	25 Divine Services - 8:30 am Holy Nativity of Our Lord Office Closed	26 Office Closed	27
28 Sunday after Nativity Orthos 8:30 am Liturgy 9:30 am Family Worship	29	30 Mailing Team 10 am Apodosi Great Vespers 6pm Dinner to Follow	31 Divine Services - 8:30 am Leave Taking of Christmas	January 1 Divine Services - 8:30 am St. Basil Office Closed	January 2	January 3
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