



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LUKE NOVEMBER 2, 2025

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Mode 4 | No Fasting | 10th Morning Gospel

This Lord's Day we remember the Holy Martyrs Acindynos, Pegasios, Aphthonios, Elpidophoros, and Anempodistos; and Domnina, Domna & Kyriaki, the Martyrs.

Antiphon I. Mode 2. Psalm 103.

Verse 1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and everything within me, bless His holy name.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us.

Verse 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His rewards.

Ταῖς πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, Σῶτερ, σῶσον ἡμᾶς.

Verse 3: The Lord prepared His throne in heaven, and His Kingdom rules over all.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us.

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us.

Antiphon II. Mode 2. Psalm 146.

Verse 1: Praise the Lord, O my soul! I shall praise the Lord while I live; I shall sing to my God as long as I exist.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

Verse 2: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob; his hope is in the Lord his God.

Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

Verse 3: The Lord shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, to all generations.

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

Glory to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Both now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Only begotten Son and Word of God....

Antiphon III. Resurrection Apolytikion. Mode 4.

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἁγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριαι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπόρρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Angel the joyful message of the Resurrection and rejected the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world.

Apolytikion for the Martyrs, Mode 2: Ἀθλοφόροι Κυρίου, μακαρία ἡ γῆ, ἡ πιανθεῖσα τοῖς αἵμασιν ὑμῶν· καὶ ἄγιαι αἱ σκηναί, αἱ δεξάμεναι τὰ σώματα ὑμῶν· ἐν σταδίω

γὰρ τὸν ἐχθρὸν ἐθριαμβεύσατε, καὶ Χριστὸν μετὰ πάρρησίας ἐκηρύξατε· αὐτὸν ὡς ἀγαθὸν ἱκετεύσατε, σωθῆναι δεόμεθα τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

O victorious Athletes of the Lord, blessed is the ground that was watered with your blood, and holy are the dwellings that received your spirits. You prevailed over the enemy in the stadium, and

you openly proclaimed Christ. We pray you will earnestly entreat Him for us, that He save our souls, since He is good.

The Apolytikion of the Church, Mode 4: Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ Κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος Μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις, ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τὴ Θεοτόκω βοήσωμεν Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

Today is the crowning moment of our salvation, and the unfolding of the eternal mystery: the Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel brings the good tidings of grace. Therefore, with him let us also cry aloud to the Mother of God: Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you.

Kontakion for the Theotokos, Mode 2: Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

After the Trisagion Hymn:

Prokeimenon of the Apostle. Mode 4. Psalm 103.

O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom. Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, You are magnified exceedingly.

The Reading is from the Apostle Paul's Letter to the Galatians (2:16-20): Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Alleluia

The Gospel Reading is from Luke (16:19-31): The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able,

and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses, and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to them, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Parish Council: Team A

Bill Evrigenis – Team Leader, Takis Fotopoulos, Chris Georgoulias, RJ Hansen, Niko Pikios, Demetri Romas

Memorials

Bill (Vasilios) Triphon (11 months), Steve (Stavro) Econome (15 years), Katherine (Kay) Marefos (2 years), Theodore Marefos (14 years), Cliff Moody (3 years)

Coffee Fellowship

Sponsored by the Moody Family and the Triphon Family Wedding Reception Celebration Sponsored by Newlyweds Steve and Lori Vourakis

PUBLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINES

SUNDAY BULLETIN - Wednesdays by 4pm to **nhansen@annunciationsac.org** *Limited to Annunciation parish and parochial ministry activities and announcements*

WEEKLY EMAIL BLAST - Wednesdays by 4pm to nhansen@annunciationsac.org

QUARTERLY OBSERVER - December 10th to observer@annunciationsac.org

one year of ministry and faithful service

This Sunday, we joyfully mark Fr. Vinnie's one-year anniversary as Presiding Priest at Annunciation. We are deeply grateful for the faith, warmth, and dedication that he, Presbytera Nadia, and their children bring to our parish family.

Sacramento Greek Festival Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

THURSDAY, November 6TH at 6:00pm

at the Annunciation Hellenic Center (616 Alhambra)

Please RSVP by 11/3 calling the Church Office at (916) 443-2033 x221



FOR SALE

MOUSSAKA - \$40 Frozen, half pan TIROPITAKIA - \$10
One dozen, frozen, appetizer size

Call (916) 443-2033 to purchase



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WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 12
10:00 AM

ANNUNCIATION
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2025 OFFICIAL ANNUNCIATION SACRAMENTO GREEK DANCE STORE



STORE CLOSES NOVEMBER 9 @ MIDNIGHT





PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUNCIATION PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERS GENERAL MEETINGS FOR 2025

Please join us for the following Philoptochos Chapter meeting on Tuesday, December 9, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Hellenic Center room 2206

Philoptochos General meeting are open to all Annunciation parishioners. Voting is reserved for Philoptochos Members only. If you are not a Philoptochos member but would like to receive announcements and meeting agendas please joint Philoptochos by using the QRC above or contact Despina Demas at Despinademas@outlook.com

BAKING FOR THE HOLIDAYS

We'll continue baking for the Philoptochos Holiday Bake Sale on Monday, October 20, and every Monday through December 15 (except October 27 and November 24) at 9:00 a.m. in the Hellenic Center kitchen. Come join us—and bring a friend!

HOPE COOPERATIVE WELLNESS CENTER

Please help Philoptochos assist those in need...Socks for those people who visit Hope Cooperative, and coats for children who attend the Leataata Floyd Elementary School.

With your help last year, our Annunciation Philoptochos collected new socks for the men and women who are aided by Hope Cooperative (HC), and warm winter coats for children in need who attend the Leataata Floyd Elementary School. We were able to provide over 500 pairs of socks to those in need at the Hope Cooperative, and over 50 warm coats for students at Leataata Floyd school. Please help us to provide socks and coats to these worthy causes once again.

The Red Cart (socks) and a grey bin (coats) will be in the hall during coffee hour, beginning November 2, for the next few weeks for your donation of socks and/or coats.

Thank you for your continued support of Philoptochos and our effort to assist those in need.

LIGHT THE PATH





INTRODUCTION TO THE EASTERN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ORTHODOX FAITH?

In recent months, our Parish has been blessed with a number of people inquiring about the Faith. Are you among these inquirers? Or are you Orthodox. but you feel you need to learn more about your Faith? We would like to share the Faith with you in an organized and systematic way. Beginning Monday, September 22, the Autumnal Equinox(!), and continuing until Holy Week and Pascha, we will be offering an Introduction to the Eastern Orthodox Christian Church. We will meet in the downstairs Conference Room in the Hellenic Center most of the time and from time to time in the upstairs classroom 2206. Class will begin at 6pm (7pm during Lent) and meet for about an hour plus. If you cannot come in person, but you would like to participate via Zoom, please tell us, and we will endeavor to accommodate you as much as possible.

If you are interested in attending this class, please email me at frtimothy@annunciationsac.org. I want your name and an email address!

Fr. Timothy Robinson Associate Priest

REQUIRED TEXTS:

- BESIDES HANDOUTS THAT I WILL EMAIL TO YOU BEFORE CLASS MEETS, PLEASE OBTAIN A COPY OF REV. FR. MICHAEL SHANBOUR, KNOW THE FAITH: A HANDBOOK FOR ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS AND INQUIRERS (ANCIENT FAITH PUBLISHING, 2019). THIS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN OUR BOOKSTORE VERY SOON. IT IS ALSO AVAILABLE NOW DIRECTLY FROM ANCIENT FAITH OR FROM AMAZON IN PRINT OR VIA KINDLE.
- A MODERN LANGUAGE BIBLE, E.G. THE ORTHODOX STUDY BIBLE, OR AN EDITION OF THE NEW KING JAMES OR NEW AMERICAN BIBLE (ROMAN CATHOLIC) OR NEW REVISED STANDARD BIBLE (ECUMENICAL).



PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Four Positions Open - Three-Year Term Beginning January 2026

*Nominations will be accepted until Wednesday, November 5 and Election Day is on Sunday, December 14.

Our Parish Board of Elections Committee is seeking dedicated candidates to serve on the Parish Council and help strengthen our church. If you are interested in running or have questions about the role, please contact a member of the Board of Elections Committee listed below. God calls each of us to share our time, talents, and treasures in His house of worship, and serving on the Parish Council is a meaningful way to offer your gifts to the church.

Duties of a Parish Council Member:

- Parish Council is a ministry and those who serve are called to represent Christ to all whom they meet in all aspects of their life.
- Regular attendance at Divine Liturgy services and participation in the sacramental life of the church.
- Oversee administration, financial health, and physical upkeep and improvements of our church and campus.
- Meet and work with others you may not have known well in this parish.

Candidate Qualifications:

- Be a parishioner of Annunciation in good standing for at least one year.
- Have been Baptized/Chrismated into the Orthodox Christian Tradition.
- Live their life in accordance with the Faith and Canons of the Church.
- Be 18 years of age or older.
- Be current in their stewardship and other financial obligations to the Church. Cooperate in every way towards the welfare and well-being of the Parish.
- Complete Parish Council leadership seminar (more information to come).

Board of Elections Committee Members:

- Yianni Kazanis ioannis.kazanis@gmail.com
- · Yianni Kassotakis johnkassotakis@gmail.com
- · Dr. Nicholas Rotas nrotasl@mac.com



REGISTRATION STILL OPEN FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

DIVINE LITURGY BEGINS AT 10:00AM CLASSES BEGIN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING HOLY COMMUNION

Please contact sundayschool@annunciationsac.org with questions





Epistle Reading Program

The Epistle Reading Program is open to our parish youth (ages 10+) and is a wonderful opportunity for our children to take part in the Divine Liturgy on Sundays, and serve our community!

Please register and select reading dates at the link below. A confirmation will be emailed, along with the reading(s) for the selected date(s). Assistance is available to prepare new readers. Readers are needed every Sunday.

Please contact Nicki Hansen at nhansen@annunciationsac.org with questions.





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2025-2026

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Please contact Gary Leonard with questions garypleonard@hotmail.com



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We've placed some of our favorite things on the Seasonal Table on the left, including new gifts and books. Be sure to also check out the assortment of new items from Greece on the icon wall and the new cross pendants.

And good news! We will soon be carrying a sterling silver cross pendant from our signature parish cross design.

Inventory of all the icons is complete and now it's time to celebrate! **Enjoy 50% off all icons in the cabinets**. Come on in and check the list to see what we have.

Contacts us at bookstore@annunciationsac.org



Team Nick Voresis is back for a 13th year of participation in Sacramento's Run to Feed the Hungry. Over the past 12 years, Team Nick Voresis has raised over 76,300 meals for Sacramento families in need. Join the team or donate to make a difference in our community!

ABOUT RUN TO FEED THE HUNGRY

WHAT

10K run & 5K run or walk to support Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services

WHEN

Thanksgiving morning - Thursday, November 27, 2025 — Rain or Shine! 10K - 8:15am (timed runners) / 8:20am (untimed participants) 5K - 9:00am (timed runners) / 9:05am - 9:40am (untimed participants)

WHERE

The event features a loop course that starts on J Street just west of the entrance to the Sacramento State campus and runs through the beautiful tree-lined streets of East Sacramento

TEAM REGISTRATION

Youth (17 & under) - \$38.63 \$19.32 with team code Adults (18 & older) - \$55.06 \$41.30 with team code

READY TO JOIN TEAM NICK VORESIS? FOLLOW THE ONLINE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW

- · Contact Nicki at nhansen@annunciationsac.org for team codes
- Visit www.RunToFeedTheHungry.com
- · Click **REGISTER**
- · Click **SIGN IN** to create an account or enter an existing password
- Register using the **TEAM MEMBER ADULT** or **TEAM MEMBER YOUTH** option
- Scroll down to **TEAMS** and select **"Yes, add to another existing team"** and select **TEAM NICK VORESIS** from drop down
- Enter team code in the **PROMO CODE** box at the bottom of the page
- · Complete the registration process
- · DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

OTHER WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT TEAM NICK VORESIS & RUN TO FEED THE HUNGRY

DONATE

- Visit <u>tiny.cc/teamnick</u>
- · All donations go directly to the Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services

SPREAD THE WORD

- Talk to your family and friends about how they can help
- · Share event and team information to your social media



THANK YOU for your support. See you Thanksgiving Day!

Have questions or need assistance? Contact your Team Captain at nhansen@annunciationsac.org





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The members of Philoptochos want to thank our parishioners who support us throughout the year by sponsoring Annunciation's Sunday coffee hours and bringing pastry and goodies to share. Your sponsorship and sharing promotes fellowship, and we are so grateful.

Please consider hosting a coffee hour anytime during the year! Cookies, fruit, or a cake would be great! Coffee will be made for you.

Contact Donna Wagner at (916) 214–9794 to secure a date for hosting a regular coffee hour. When contacting Effie in the church office to schedule a memorial, please let her know if you also wish to host coffee fellowship. Effie can be reached in the office at (916) 443–2033 ext 222.





We're so glad you are here with us today!

If you are visiting, we warmly invite you to join us next door in the Hellenic Center following the Divine Liturgy for coffee fellowship.

Be sure to stop by the Welcoming Table during coffee fellowship to meet our team, ask questions, and learn more about our faith, parish, and ministries.

We look forward to greeting you!

STEWARDSHIP 2025

"Give, and it shall be given unto you."

Luke 6:38



STEWARDSHIP FACTS

Q: DO MY RECURRING STEWARDSHIP PAYMENTS ROLLOVER FROM YEAR-TO-YEAR?

A: In past years, recurring stewardship payments have NOT rolled over to the next year and stewards were required to create new pledges and payments at the beginning of the year. For 2025, recurring payments from 2024 will continue on unless stopped by the giver. If you would like to check your 2025 stewardship status or make changes to your recurring payment, please login to your PushPay account at pushpay.com/login or contact the Annunciation Financial Office at accounting@annunciationsac.org.

Q: WHAT DOES MY STEWARDSHIP PAY FOR?

A: In 2025, it will cost approximately \$3,500/day to keep the church open. Most operating expenses are paid from stewardship. Some examples are utilities, office staff and pastoral salaries, candles, permits, security, and facilities maintenance. Additional costs are directly related to church-funded ministries and programs.

Q: I ALREADY PAY FOR GREEK DANCE, GREEK SCHOOL, ETC. WHY DO I HAVE TO ALSO PAY FOR STEWARDSHIP?

A: These programs operate independently from our general operating budget. The church provides the facility, in addition to facility-related expenses, enabling their operation and receives no money from these ministries. It is also important that families participating in our children's ministries be currently pledged stewards.

Make your pledge online at annunciationsac.org/stewardship or return a pledge card to the Church Office



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Please visit the Stewardship Table during coffee fellowship to learn more about our mission and how we strengthen our parish community with our time, talent, and treasure.

November 2-9

Sunday, November 2 Fifth Sunday of Luke

9:00am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy

Sunday School Dance Practices

Monday, November 3 9:00am Philoptochos Baking

6:00pm Introduction to the Eastern Orthodox Church

Wednesday, November 5 5:30pm Dance Practices

6:00pm Greek School Classes

Thursday, November 6 6:00pm Festival Appreciation Dinner

Friday, November 7 5:30pm Dance Practices

Saturday, November 8 Synaxis of the Archangels

9:00am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy

Sunday, November 9 Seventh Sunday of Luke

St. Nektarios the Wonderworker

9:00am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy

Sunday School

High School Sunday School Class & Sr. GOYA Meeting

Dance Practices

THE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION

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OUR MISSION is to bring all people to full maturity in Christ through Worship (Liturgia), Service (Diakonia), Education (Paideia), Witness (Martyria) and Fellowship (Koinonia), guided and united in all things by the One Holy Spirit.

If you are visiting with us this morning, you are most welcome! Please fill out a Visitor's Card in the Narthex. If you have questions about the Orthodox Christian faith, our schedule of services, or becoming a member of the parish, please go to our website at www.annunciationsac.org, or contact the church office to speak with one of the Priests (M-F, 9 am – 3:30 pm, phone (916) 443–2033).

Be sure to visit our Bookstore in the Annunciation Hellenic Center. The Bookstore is open Sundays after Church or contact bookstore@annunciationsac.org for an appointment.

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