



FORGIVENESS SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 22, 2026

Forgiveness Sunday

February 22, 2026

Mode 4 | Fast from meat-dairy allowed today! | 4th Morning Gospel

This Lord's Day, we remember the Finding of the Precious Relics of the Holy Martyrs in the Quarter of Eugenius; also our Righteous Fathers Thalassius and Baradatus; and Anthousa the Martyr & her 12 Servants.

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 Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριάι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπόρριψασαί, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωροῦμενος 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 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 τῇ Θεοτόκῳ 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.

Festal Kontakion, Mode Plagal 2: Τῆς σοφίας ὀδηγέ, φρονήσεως χορηγέ, τῶν ἀφρόνων παιδευτά, καὶ πτωχῶν ὑπερασπιστά, στήριξον, συνέτισον τὴν καρδίαν μου Δέσποτα. Σὺ δίδου μοι λόγον, ὁ τοῦ Πατρὸς Λόγος· ἴδου γὰρ τὰ χεῖλη μου, οὐ μὴ κωλύσω ἐν τῷ κράζειν σοι· Ἐλεῆμον, ἐλέησόν με τὸν παραπεσόντα.

O guide to wisdom, provider of prudence, disciplinarian of fools, and defender of the poor, fortify and discipline my heart, O Master; You, give me a word, O Word of the Father. For behold, I will not hinder my lips from crying to You: O merciful Lord, have mercy on me who have fallen.

After the Trisagion Hymn:

Prokeimenon of the Apostle. Mode Plagal 4. Psalm 75.

Pray and return to the Lord Your God.

In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading is from the Holy Apostle Paul's Letter to the Romans (13:11-14;14:1-4):

Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

Alleluia

The Gospel Reading is from Matthew (6:14-21): The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. "And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

THE DIVINE LITURGY OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Parish Council: Team A

Bill Evrigenis – Team Leader, Takis Fotopoulos,
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Annunciation Philoptochos Society presents

A Scrumptious Cake Raffle



Sunday, February 22

Following the Divine Liturgy
Annunciation Hellenic Center

Raffle tickets for these beautiful cakes on fancy platters
will be sold on the Sunday of the raffle, during coffee hour.



DANCER RECOGNITION

THIS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22

DURING THE DIVINE LITURGY, BEFORE COMMUNION

TA MIKRA

Director: Stefanie Mizner
Assistant Director: Marilena Pikios

TA KAMARIA

Director: Stefanie Mizner
Assistant Directors: Marilena Pikios,
Steven Kivetos and Taky Cazanis

TA KOUKOUNARIA

Directors: Ioanna Gergiannakis and Eleni Crush
Assistant Director: Kristopher Kouvaris
Participation in Division III Exhibition

RIZES

Directors: Lindsey Kivetos and Theo Petsalis
Assistant Director: Margo Tzitzikis
First Place and Choral Award, Primary Category

OI APOGONOI

Directors: Maria Verrios and Nena Kyriklidou
Assistant Directors: Spyro Avdis and Gianna Kordazakis
Second Place, Junior Category

NEA GENIA

Directors: Evi Tsigaris, Dimitra Tsigaris and Sotiris Romas
First Place, Advanced Intermediate Category





SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

MARCH 1, 2026

PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO BRING AN ICON FROM HOME
AND JOIN THE PROCESSION AS WE CELEBRATE THE TRIUMPH
OF ORTHODOXY AND THE RESTORATION OF THE HOLY ICONS



Please join us for tea & treats at a

MYRRHBEARER MEET & GREET



Sunday, March 1

*Hellenic Center Foyer
Following the Divine Liturgy*

Girls 2nd grade and up



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2026 ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ORATORICAL FESTIVAL

SENIOR DIVISION (GRADES 10-12)
JUNIOR DIVISION (GRADES 7-9)



ANNUNCIATION PARISH FESTIVAL SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2026 FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY

AWARDS

National finalists are eligible to receive the following:

- St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Scholarship: \$750 to \$3000
- FAITH: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism: to be announced

Finalists at any level are eligible to receive the following:

- Chrysostom Scholarship to Hellenic College: \$2,500 up to \$30,000 per year

Find registration, tips, manual & additional information at
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Questions? Interested in participating?
Contact oratorical@annunciationsac.org

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Lenten Retreat

Anchoring One's Life in Christ: Relationships With God, Self and Others

WITH SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER
MICHELLE MOUJAES
FROM FAITHTREE RESOURCES

Saturday, March 21

Annunciation Hellenic Center

Registration: \$15

9:30 am *Registration & Coffee*
10:00 am *Sessions 1 & 2*
12:00 pm *Lunch*
1:00 pm *Final Session with Q & A*



Scan code
to register

About Michelle Moujaes



Michelle Moujaes is the founder and Executive Director of Faithtree Resources and has held ministry leadership positions for over 30 years. With a background in Community Organizing and graduate studies that emphasize organizing communities of faith, Michelle earned her MSW while actively working in the film and television industry. Michelle's passion is bringing her two worlds of production and ministry together by supporting pastors and lay leaders in their ministries as well as by creating materials that engage and inspire the people in the pews. When she's not speaking or creating content for Faithtree, she can be found spending time with her husband and their four children or volunteering at St. Michael Church in Van Nuys, her home parish.

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ANNUNCIATION OF THE THEOTOKOS

GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

Great Vespers for the Annunciation 6:00 p.m.

Coffee Reception

Hosted by Annunciation Philoptochos

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

Orthros 9:00 a.m. • Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Flag Raising Ceremony

AHEPA, Sacramento Chapter

Parish Feast Day Luncheon

Hosted by Annunciation Parish Council

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

Orthros 9:00 a.m. • Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Greek Independence Day Coffee Hour Celebration

Special Performances by Annunciation Greek School and Greek Dance



ANNUNCIATION SACRAMENTO

LENTEN
YOUTH
RETREAT

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY OF LAZARUS
APRIL 4, 2026

ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND
REGISTRATION COMING SOON



ANNUNCIATION



SUMMER
DAY
CAMP
2026

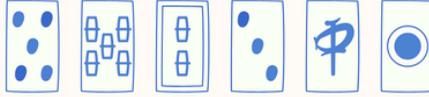
SAVE THE DATE

JUNE 15-18

MORE DETAILS TO COME

ANNUNCIATION SENIOR LEAGUE

Mahjong Group



The Annunciation Senior League invites you to join us every Friday for Mahjong and good company. Whether you're an experienced player or brand new to the game, you're welcome to join us as we learn together, share conversation, and enjoy time in fellowship.

Mahjong offers a wonderful opportunity to exercise the mind while building friendships within our parish community. All ages and skill levels are welcome!

FRIDAYS
10:00 AM

ANNUNCIATION
PARISH LIBRARY

Please contact Bernadette Kontos with questions
bernadettekre1985@gmail.com or (916) 505-3946

THEOPHANY HOME BLESSINGS

Fr. Vinnie and Fr. Timothy are available by appointment
to offer home and business blessings.

Please call or email Fr. Vinnie or Fr. Tim to schedule

frvincent@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.



WELCOME

ANNUNCIATION
SACRAMENTO



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!



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EVERY MINISTRY
EVERY MOMENT
EVERY BLESSING

YOUR STEWARDSHIP
MAKES IT POSSIBLE

STEWARDSHIP 2026

Every photo tells the story of a moment made possible by stewardship—youth growing in the faith, families worshipping together, ministries serving others, and the traditions that strengthen our parish life.

Our Annunciation community thrives because of the dedication, involvement, and generosity of parishioners like you. For many, Annunciation is where lifelong friendships were formed and core memories were made growing up in the life of the Church. For others, it has become a welcoming spiritual home where new memories are being created, one faithful step at a time. Together, these moments weave the story of our parish.

Your commitment ensures that these ministries, memories, and experiences continue now and for the generations yet to come. Thank you for supporting the mission and life of our parish and for being an essential part of our Annunciation family.

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



Please visit the Stewardship Table during coffee fellowship to learn more about our mission and how we strengthen our parish community together.

February 22-March 1

Sunday, February 22

Forgiveness Sunday

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

Sunday School Classes

High School Sunday School Class & Sr. GOYA Meeting

Dancer Recognition

Philoptochos Kids 'n' Cancer Cake Raffle

6:00pm Vespers of Forgiveness

Monday, February 23

First Monday of Lent: Clean Monday

6:00pm Great Compline

Wednesday, February 25

10:30am Bridge-Dominos Group Meeting

6:00pm Greek School Classes

6:00pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Presanctified Lenten Supper - *Hosted by Philoptochos*

Thursday, February 26

6:00pm Byzantine Chant Class

Friday, February 27

10:00am Mahjong Group Meeting

1:30pm Annunciation Historical Group Meeting

6:00pm Salutations to the Theotokos: First Stanza

Saturday, February 28

First Saturday of Lent: Saint Theodore & the Miracle of the Kollyva

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

Sunday, March 1

Sunday of Orthodoxy

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

Sunday School Classes

Myrrhbearer Meet & Greet Tea Party

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).

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