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## COMMUNITY UPDATE

### We welcome into the church:

Marisa (Maria) Church, Adult Chrismation, April 10  
Brian Boerman, Adult Chrismation, April 10  
Briana (Anastasia) Church, Adult Chrismation, April 10  
Ramsay (Basil) Weisenfeld, Adult Baptism, April 10  
Marcus Alfred, Adult Baptism, April 21  
Eleni, daughter of Jason & Anastasia Stroud, May 11  
Devin (Thomas) Paine, Adult Chrismation, May 19  
Jason Sirois, Adult Baptism, June 15  
Noah and Luke, sons of Andrew & Jennifer Harry, June 22

### We celebrate the marriage of:

Anthony Winder & Marika Pappas, May 18  
Marcus Alfred & Angelica Whaley, May 25  
George Tzikas & Amber Vitito, May 25  
Eric Johnson & Maia Evrigenis, June 2  
Dr. Parshan Namiranian & Dr. Theodora Triphon, June 8  
Jason Sirois & Grace Cambra, June 15  
Thomas Paine & Katy Mouzakis, June 29

### We pray for the servants of God who departed this life:

Eleni Vathis, April 2  
Peter "Gus" Kokotis, April 3  
Linda Drakos, May 2  
Demetios Kogos, May 23  
Paul Urvinitka, May 29  
Demosthenis Douveas, June 10  
Annette Christopulos, June 18  
Anastasia Manikas, June 20  
Nicholas Vathis, June 21

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## JULY

<b>Sunday, July 7</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Matthew</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Sunday, July 14</b>	<b>Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Saturday, July 20</b>	<b>St. Prophet Elias</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Sunday, July 21</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Matthew</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Wednesday, July 24</b>	<b>Vespers Dormition of St. Anna - at St. Anna, Roseville</b> 6:00pm
<b>Thursday, July 25</b>	<b>Dormition of St. Anna - at St. Anna, Roseville</b> Orthros 8:00am, Divine Liturgy 9:00am
<b>Friday, July 26</b>	<b>St. Paraskevi the Righteous Martyr</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Saturday, July 27</b>	<b>St. Panteleimon the Great Martyr</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Sunday, July 28</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Matthew</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am

## AUGUST

<b>Thursday, August 1</b>	<i>Fast for the Dormition of the Theotokos Begins</i>
<b>Thursday, August 1</b>	<b>Paraklisis to the Theotokos</b> 6:00pm

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## AUGUST, CONT.

<b>Sunday, August 4</b>	<b>Sixth Sunday of Matthew</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Monday, August 5</b>	<b>Great Vespers, the Transfiguration of our Lord</b> 6:00pm
<b>Tuesday, August 6</b>	<b>The Transfiguration of Our Lord</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Wednesday, August 7</b>	<b>Paraklisis to the Theotokos</b> 6:00pm
<b>Friday, August 9</b>	<b>Paraklisis to the Theotokos</b> 6:00pm
<b>Sunday, August 11</b>	<b>Seventh Sunday of Matthew</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Monday, August 12</b>	<b>Paraklisis to the Theotokos</b> 6:00pm
<b>Wednesday, August 14</b>	<b>Great Vespers, The Dormition of the Theotokos</b> 6:00pm
<b>Thursday, August 15</b>	<b>The Dormition of the Theotokos</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Sunday, August 18</b>	<b>Eighth Sunday of Matthew</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Sunday, August 25</b>	<b>Ninth Sunday of Matthew</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am
<b>Thursday, August 29</b>	<b>Beheading of St. John the Baptist</b> Orthros 8:30am, Divine Liturgy 9:30am

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

## SEPTEMBER

- Sunday, September 1**      **Ecclesiastical New Year**  
Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am
- Sunday, September 8**      **Sunday Before Holy Cross**  
Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am
- Friday, September 13**      **Great Vespers - at Holy Cross, Jackson Road**  
6:00pm
- Saturday, September 14**      **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**  
Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am
- Sunday, September 15**      **Sunday After Holy Cross**  
Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am
- Tuesday, September 17**      **St. Sophia and Her 3 Daughters,  
Faith, Hope and Love**  
Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am
- Sunday, September 22**      **First Sunday of Luke**  
Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am
- Sunday, September 29**      **Second Sunday of Luke**  
Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am

## REGULAR HOURS BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

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

STAY UP-TO-DATE ON UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS WITH THE

*Annunciation Parish Calendar*

[tiny.cc/parishcalendar](http://tiny.cc/parishcalendar)



# PASTORAL MESSAGE

It is Time (Καίρος) for the Lord to Act!

*What creature walks on four legs in the morning, two in the afternoon, and three in the evening?* This is the renown riddle posed to Oedipus by the Sphinx in Greek mythology, and he answered correctly: in the morning of life, a human crawls on all fours as a baby. In the afternoon, when they have grown, they walk on two legs. And in the evening, during old age, they use a cane or walking stick as a third leg to support themselves.

While I have reached the evening of my life, I am happy to say I still don't need a cane and I also don't think of myself as old, despite the fact my successor as Proistemanos is half my age! But the riddle does highlight certain immutable facts of life, because indeed "time marches on." When asked what I'm planning to do in retirement, I respond by saying, "I'm not retiring but refocusing." Focusing on what? You know the adage, man proposes, but God disposes. This is true in every stage of our life, and as I recall the blessings of 37 years of ministry as an Orthodox Priest, I look forward with anticipation (and some trepidation) what God has in store for me and Presbytera Barbara. Many of you are familiar with the difference between chronos time and kairos time, the former we measure, the latter we experience. Regardless of our longevity, the goal of every disciple of Jesus is to live in the moment (kairos time), worshipping the Triune God in spirit and truth, and with unconditional love for our neighbor. This is what I hope and aspire to focus on with whatever time I have left in this life, *that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.* (John 17:13)

This is also what I truly wish for you, my beloved Church family of nineteen years. In addition to 1,000 Sunday Divine Liturgies, we have celebrated 453 baptisms, 200 weddings and 410 funerals together. You have shared our joy in marrying all of our children and the arrival of nine grandchildren. But get ready, because the best is yet to come!

*But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:  
And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God,  
That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh;  
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
Your young men shall see visions,  
Your old men shall dream dreams.* (Acts 2:16,17)

Beloved in Christ, as I hand off the baton to your next spiritual leader, I only ask that you pray for me to continue to dream dreams, especially if and when I will be walking on three legs.

With love in Christ,

*Fr. James*

Father James



# LETTER FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Parishioners,

As we approach the retirement of our beloved Father James Retelas, it is with a heart full of gratitude that I write to you. For nearly two decades, Father Retelas has been a pillar of strength and guidance for our Annunciation Church, embodying our core mission to "know the love of Christ which passes knowledge that you may be filled with the fullness of God."

In my tenure as Parish Council president, I have had the privilege of working alongside Father James, witnessing firsthand his unwavering commitment to our community. His leadership during "The Build" provided us with a campus that not only meets our needs, but also fosters our growth. Even through the challenges of COVID, Father James kept our congregation connected, nurturing our faith and fellowship.

Our church has flourished under Father James' stewardship, marked by an increase in diversity and attendance across Sunday School, Philoptochos, and community events like the Greek Festival. His impact is immeasurable, from delivering over 1,200 Divine Liturgies to supporting families through baptisms, weddings, and funerals. His presence will be missed by all of our parishioners, but especially missed by our Sunday School children, who are captivated by his personal lessons delivered to the children while sitting on the soles of the church.

Following his graduation from Holy Cross, Father James began his journey in the Church as a deacon in 1986, and was ordained into the priesthood in 1987 by Archbishop Iakovos. Alongside his wife, Presbytera Barbara, he has served with distinction in four parishes: Cathedral of the Annunciation in San Francisco, Church of the Resurrection in Castro Valley, Holy Trinity in Portland, and ultimately here at our Annunciation Church in Sacramento.

As we bid farewell to Father James, we celebrate his dedication and the indelible legacy he leaves behind. His service has been a testament to the power of faith and the strengthening of our Annunciation community.

I am wishing you all a joyful summer, filled with rest and time with family and friends. For those who are traveling, I pray for your safe travels. Please remember that, although many of our ministries take a break for the summer, church continues with regular services and community fellowship. I look forward to seeing you there! At the conclusion of summer, our ministries will resume with the Ecclesiastical New Year and our Ministries Kickoff on Sunday, September 8. Join us at this annual event for lunch, festivities, and to learn about and register for our Annunciation groups.

With warm regards and deepest thanks,

Michael Dariotis  
*Parish Council President*



# STEWARDSHIP

## STEWARDSHIP 2024 BELIEVE, BELONG, BE LOVED

The joy of **believing** comes from believing in God, to whom we give our love, loyalty, and trust.

The joy of **belonging** comes from becoming practicing stewards by being responsible caretakers of His House of Worship and lovingly participating in the life of His Church.

The joy of **being loved** comes from experiencing the love of God and the love we have for one another in our faith community.



### Annunciation Ministries Made Possible by Our Stewards

Acolytes • Altar Guild • Annunciation Bookstore • Annunciation Choir  
Annunciation Endowment Fund • Annunciation Historical Society • Athletics Ministry  
Annunciation Senior League • Byzantine Chant Choir • Dance Support Group & Ministry  
Epistle Reading • Fr. Demetri T. Dogias Library and Archives • GOYA • Greek School  
Hellenic Golf Classic • Hellenic Orthodox Education & Cultural Center • HOPE • JOY  
Myrrh-Bearers • Orthodox Basic Training • Parish Council • Philoptochos Society  
Stewardship Committee • Studies in the Faith • Sunday School • Young Professionals

Make your pledge online at  
[annunciationsac.org/stewardship](https://annunciationsac.org/stewardship)  
or return a pledge card to the Church Office



# SACRAMENTO GREEK FESTIVAL



The most common question asked during the setup for our Festival is, “Have you seen Dan?” Dan Eriksson - Saganaki chairman, Design & Contracts chairman, Planning & Execution of set-up & tear down, and Greek Festival co-chair - is inarguably the busiest guy in the weeks before and after our festival. In 2008, Dan took on the role of Festival Co-Chair with Gerri Magers & Michael Dariotis. After 15 years, Dan has made the decision to retire from his Co-Chair role. Thank you, Dan, for all your hard work over the past decades! Axios!

Helming the festival this year are Stefanie Hionis and Christo Georgoulis. Festival weekend, you can find them by the trail of smoke left behind as they traverse the festival grounds, and occasionally even in the Kafenion or Gyro booths which they also, respectively, chair.

As the 2024 Greek Festival will be held October 4 – 6, the Festival Board is working hard organizing, procuring, and coordinating. Volunteers have started preparing our delicious entrees & pastries. You, too, can join in the fun! Bring a friend! The current schedule is included but most up to date baking schedule can be found in the Sunday bulletin and weekly email.



The past few years, we’ve welcomed many new families to our community and encourage everybody to volunteer. We also hope to see each and every one of our parishioners joining in the fun this year by preparing sweets, rolling gyros, serving stifado, or syrumping loukoumades. Did you know it takes more than 400 volunteers to put on our Festival? We can’t do it without you!

To volunteer at the Festival, check out the Sign Up Genius links in Annunciation’s weekly email and bulletin. You are also welcome to reach out to any Festival board member to learn about additional volunteer opportunities and to sign up. We are grateful for your support!



Keep an eye out for the Festival mailer containing your Raffle tickets; they should be arriving the first few weeks of August. Return them early to get 7 tickets for the price of 6!

We would also like to extend our gratitude to the businesses, families, and individuals who make generous donations to underwrite Festival expenses. Every dollar donated allows us to better support the Festival, church operations, and our community. Please consider underwriting an item or becoming a festival sponsor. Donations can be made by several methods: reaching out to any board member, calling the church office, via the QR code at right, or our website: <http://sacramentogreekfestival.com/sponsors>.



Respectfully,

The 2024 Greek Festival Board: Stefanie Hionis, Christo Georgoulis, George Chuchas, Emily Coleman, Michael Dariotis, Dan Eriksson, Helen Grammatitakis, Julie Mamalis, & Demetri Romas

# SACRAMENTO GREEK FESTIVAL

61<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL

# SACRAMENTO GREEK FESTIVAL



FRIDAY & SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2024: 11AM - 10PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2024: 11AM - 8PM

\$5 ADMISSION (AGES 13 & UP)

\$3 ADMISSION FRIDAY 11AM - 3PM ONLY

FREE ADMISSION WHEN YOU BIKE OVER (BYO LOCK)

616 ALHAMBRA BOULEVARD

[www.sacramentogreekfestival.com](http://www.sacramentogreekfestival.com)

# SACRAMENTO GREEK FESTIVAL



## BAKING

### PAXIMADIA

**Monday, July 1**

**9:00 a.m.**

Please join us as we begin baking for our 61st annual Sacramento Greek Festival.

Beginners are welcome!  
Come learn, support our parish, and enjoy lunch, fun, and fellowship.

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**Monday, July 1 - Paximadia**  
**Monday, July 8 - Koulourakia**  
**Saturday, July 13 - Baklava**  
**Monday, July 29 - Dolmades**  
**Monday, August 19 - Galaktobouriko**

Please contact Helen Grammatikakis  
at (916) 607-1627 with questions

Thank you, the Sacramento Greek Festival Committee

# ANNUNCIATION HISTORICAL SOCIETY



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## Introducing the Annunciation Historical Society

The celebration of our parish's 100th anniversary along, with the publication of our commemorative album, reignited an interest in the rich history of our parish. To continue the momentum created by our anniversary activities, the ANNUNCIATION HISTORICAL SOCIETY has been organized. Its mission is to preserve and celebrate the rich history and traditions of the Greeks in the Sacramento region. The members of this group are Bill Triphon (lead), Terry Kastanis, Jim Chuchas, Julie Mamalis, Katerina Lagos, Maria Sampanis, and Toni Chapralis.

We're excited about the society's first project: to write a small book highlighting the Greeks in the greater Sacramento area. (Similar books have been written about the Greeks in Phoenix, San Francisco, and Chicago.)

Historical photographs are essential and we would appreciate your help in finding interesting pictures. Do you have any good pictures you think we could use? These could depict agriculture, formation of the parish, social events, business, politics, culture, art, celebrations, armed forces, social life and sports --- all focusing on the Greeks in and around Sacramento.

Please look through your old family photos. If you have any relevant photographs you'd like to share for possible inclusion in our book, please speak with any of the society's members or contact Bill Triphon at [bttriphon@comcast.net](mailto:bttriphon@comcast.net).

Thank you.

# ANNUNCIATION BRIDGE-DOMINOES GROUP



## *Annunciation Bridge-Dominoes Group*



Come join us! The Bridge Dominoes Group meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month in the Annunciation Hellenic Center 10:30am–2:00pm for game playing fun and fellowship. We have a no-host lunch break with a yummy dessert provided by the host for the month. Some experience is needed for Bridge. We will teach you our version of Mexican Train Dominoes within a few hands. No experience needed! No stress—just fun! For more information contact Sophia Evrigenis for Bridge and Liz Dokimos for Dominoes. Cell phone numbers are in the Church Directory or email:

Sophia Evrigenis: [sophiage@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sophiage@sbcglobal.net), Liz Dokimos: [lizdokimos@comcast.net](mailto:lizdokimos@comcast.net).



# PROJECT MEXICO



## PROJECT MEXICO BUILDING HOPE. SERVING PEOPLE. JUNE 5-11, 2024



Project Mexico & St. Innocent Orphanage performs works of mercy and helps others do works of mercy in the name of Jesus Christ, transcending cultural barriers by building homes for the poor in Mexico and by providing a home for orphaned boys through St. Innocent Orphanage.

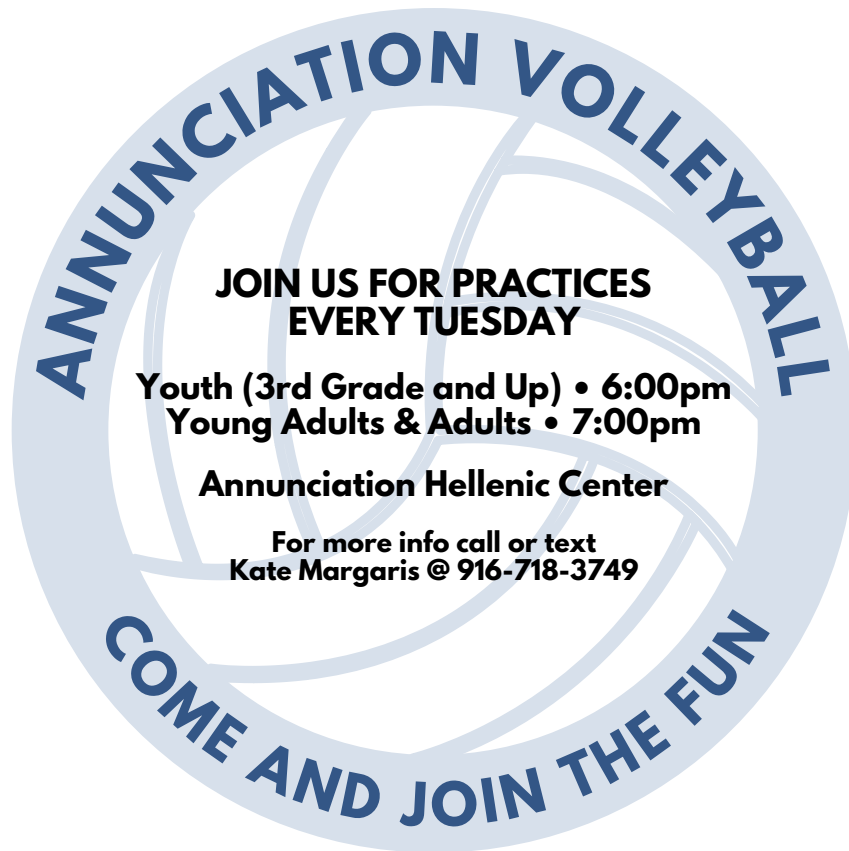
Since 1988, Project Mexico has been building safe, secure and weather-tight homes for some of the most impoverished families in Northern Mexico. Every home is constructed over the course of four days and built entirely with volunteer labor. Once complete, these homes are provided so that these families can build a brighter future for themselves and their children.

Thank you to our Annunciation team members, Aaron Davis and Christian Kontaxis. Through your service and dedication, you have changed the life of a family in need.

**To learn more about Project Mexico and St. Innocent Orphanage  
visit [www.projectmexico.org](http://www.projectmexico.org)**



# ANNUNCIATION VOLLEYBALL



# ACOLYTES



## ALTAR BOY REGISTRATION 2024-2025

2nd Grade and Up

Visit [tiny.cc/altar2024](https://tiny.cc/altar2024)

Please contact Gary Leonard with questions  
[garyleonard@hotmail.com](mailto:garyleonard@hotmail.com)

# EPISTLE READING PROGRAM

## 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 Fr. Timothy at [frtimothy@annunciationsac.org](mailto:frtimothy@annunciationsac.org) with questions.

[tiny.cc/epistlereaders](https://tiny.cc/epistlereaders)

# SUNDAY SCHOOL



## SUNDAY SCHOOL

Building a solid foundation for Christian education and formation

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR**  
**CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 15**  
**REGISTER AT [tiny.cc/sunday-school](https://tiny.cc/sunday-school)**

### NURSERY-5TH GRADE

Class begins at 10am.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL

Students attend the Divine Liturgy or assist our youth in class lessons and activities beginning at 10am. Middle School and High School lessons begin following Holy Communion.

Please contact [sundayschool@annunciationsac.org](mailto:sundayschool@annunciationsac.org) with questions

## Inspire. Grow. Give.

### 2024-2025 Sunday School Teachers Needed

No experience is necessary for this wonderful opportunity to inspire our youth as a Sunday School Teacher! We're looking for kind humans who are good listeners and enjoy kids. As you donate your precious time, you'll experience the joy, humor and wonder of our Annunciation youth.

New this year, the Annunciation Sunday School Board will support teachers with curriculum, lesson planning ideas and substitutes as needed.

#### Highlights:

- An opportunity to volunteer in the most meaningful way
- 3 Sundays per month, 10:00am to 12:00pm
- September 15 through June 1
- Stipend for classroom materials
- Coffee and lunch gift cards, to show our appreciation
- "Teacher Teams" are welcome if you'd like to volunteer with a friend

All teachers undergo the Archdiocese Youth Safety process, paid for by Annunciation. Please reach out to [sundayschool@annunciationsac.org](mailto:sundayschool@annunciationsac.org) if you would like more information.

With Gratitude,  
Annunciation Sunday School Board



# GREEK DANCE



## ANNUNCIATION GREEK FOLK DANCE

### About Our Ministry

The Annunciation Greek Dance Program is dedicated to bringing our youth and young adults together in the spirit of Orthodox Christian fellowship and faith through folk dance and music.

Scan the QR code to learn more about our program and register!



Registration closes  
August 15

# GREEK SCHOOL



**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN  
FOR THE 2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR**

General Youth Courses  Ellinomatheia Courses  Adult Courses

**REGISTRATION AND COURSE DETAILS AT [tiny.cc/greek-school](https://tiny.cc/greek-school)**

**CLASSES BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER**

Please contact [greekschool@annunciationsac.org](mailto:greekschool@annunciationsac.org) with questions

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## BACKPACK BLESSINGS

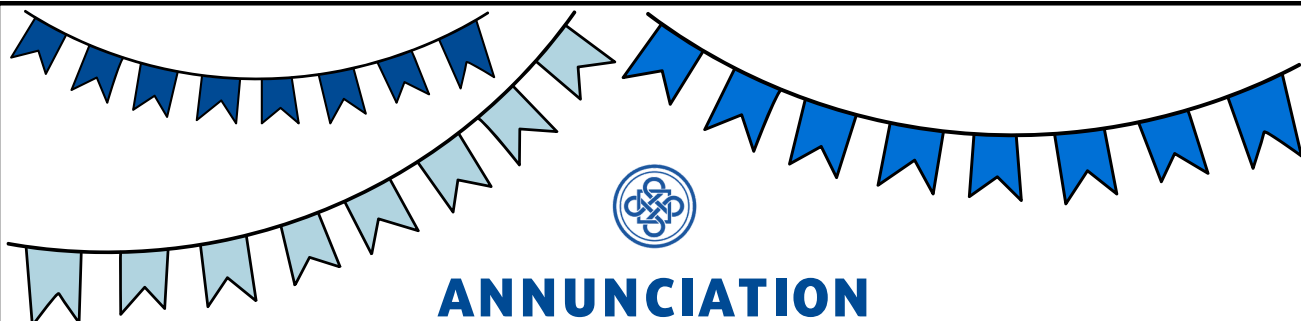


JOIN US AS WE PRAY FOR GOD TO BLESS OUR STUDENTS  
AND KEEP THEM SAFE IN THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

**Sunday, September 8**

During the Divine Liturgy, Before Communion

STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING THEIR  
BACKPACKS TO THE DIVINE LITURGY TO BE BLESSED



## ANNUNCIATION MINISTRIES KICKOFF

JOIN US FOR LUNCH, DESSERT, FELLOWSHIP, AND FESTIVITIES  
WHILE EXPLORING OUR PARISH MINISTRIES

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8**

ANNUNCIATION HELLENIC CENTER  
FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Icon Painting Workshop Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church

Experience the unique spiritual world of the Byzantine Era through icon painting

July 29-August 3, 2024

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church  
Sacramento, CA



Join us on this six day intensive course under the direction of visiting master iconographer and expert instructor Theodoros Papadopoulos from Greece. This Jesus Christ icon will "come alive" as he will guide you step by step, through the ancient techniques of Byzantine Iconography. Let us journey together, discovering anew, this traditional artistic expression of theology and spirituality often called the "meeting place of the Divine". Whether you are beginner or a professional, this workshop offers the opportunity to learn or refine your techniques.

Your tuition fee of \$780 includes most supplies including boards, pigments, brushes etc.

Space is limited and early registration is suggested.

For enrollment or information contact Mr Theodoros Papadopoulos at the email: [theodoreicons@gmail.com](mailto:theodoreicons@gmail.com) or visit the website [theodoreicons.com/sa](http://theodoreicons.com/sa)

# PARISH PHOTOS

Saturday Day of Lazarus • April 27, 2024





# PARISH PHOTOS

## Holy Week • April 29 - May 5, 2024



## Graduate Recognition Sunday • June 2, 2024



## Annunciation Volleyball • June 2024





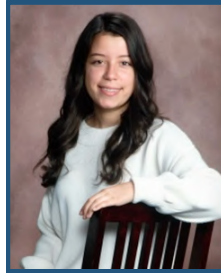
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## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



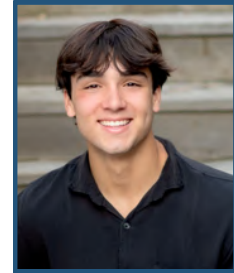
**WILLIAM COLEMAN**

El Camino Fundamental High School  
Attending American River College and  
transferring to Sacramento State  
Studying Welding Technology



**SOPHIA GARCIA**

Lyndhurst High School  
Principal's List and Community Service  
Attending Fresno State University  
Health Sciences Nursing Program



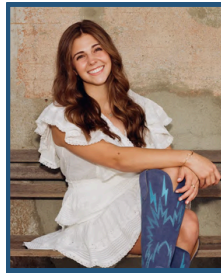
**DEMOSTHENES KAUFMAN**

Jesuit High School  
Magna Cum Laude, Varsity Basketball  
Attending University of Arizona,  
Eller College of Management



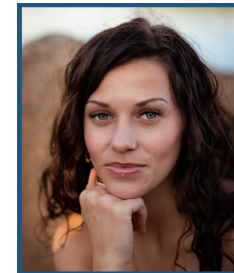
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Jesuit High School  
High Honor Award  
Attending the United States Naval Academy  
Scholarship Foundation Program



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Highest Honors  
Villanova University  
Studying Political Science



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Christian Brothers  
Sacramento City College  
Possibly working for the courts



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Jesuit High School  
High Honors  
Attending UC Berkeley



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Rosemont High School  
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Waitlisted at UC Davis,  
enrolled at Sacramento State  
Studying Psychology while working as an  
EMT fulltime to eventually be a doctor



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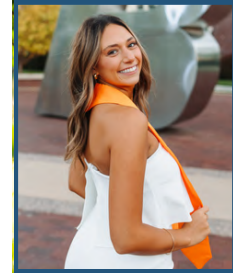
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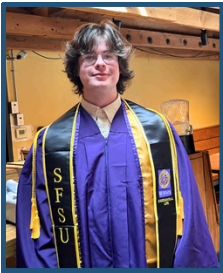
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Chico State University  
BA Communications  
Future Plans: Working in marketing



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Future Plans: Career in Human Resources,  
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Boise State University  
BA Communications  
Future Plans: Career in  
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BA Music and BA BECA  
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BS Sociology  
Summa Cum Laude, cumulative 4.0 GPA  
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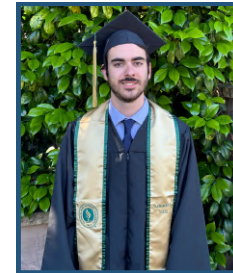
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BA History  
Magna Cum Laude  
Future Plans: Currently applying  
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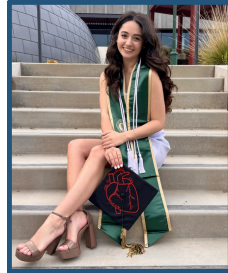
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Men's Soccer Team  
Future Plans: Exercising eligibility  
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BS Business Administration  
Dean's List  
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business finance field

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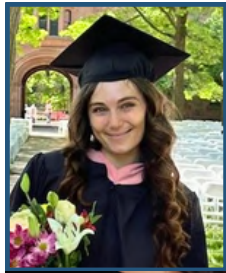
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BS Biomedical Sciences, BA Dance  
Cum Laude  
Future Plans: Career as a Clinical  
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## MASTERS DEGREE



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Master in Public Health  
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Future Plans: Going for a PHD  
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Vasseliki Vervilos  
Paul & Rusti Voresis  
Stavros & Eleftheria Vougioukas  
Anastasia & Jason Vourakis - Stroud  
Efstratios "Steve" Vourakis  
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Nicholas Wilk  
Jeremy Wong  
Maria Kostidou Workman  
Jerry & Elaine Wright  
Andreas & Becky Yerocostas  
Anestis & Areti Yiaslas  
Athanasios & Elizabeth Yiaslas  
  
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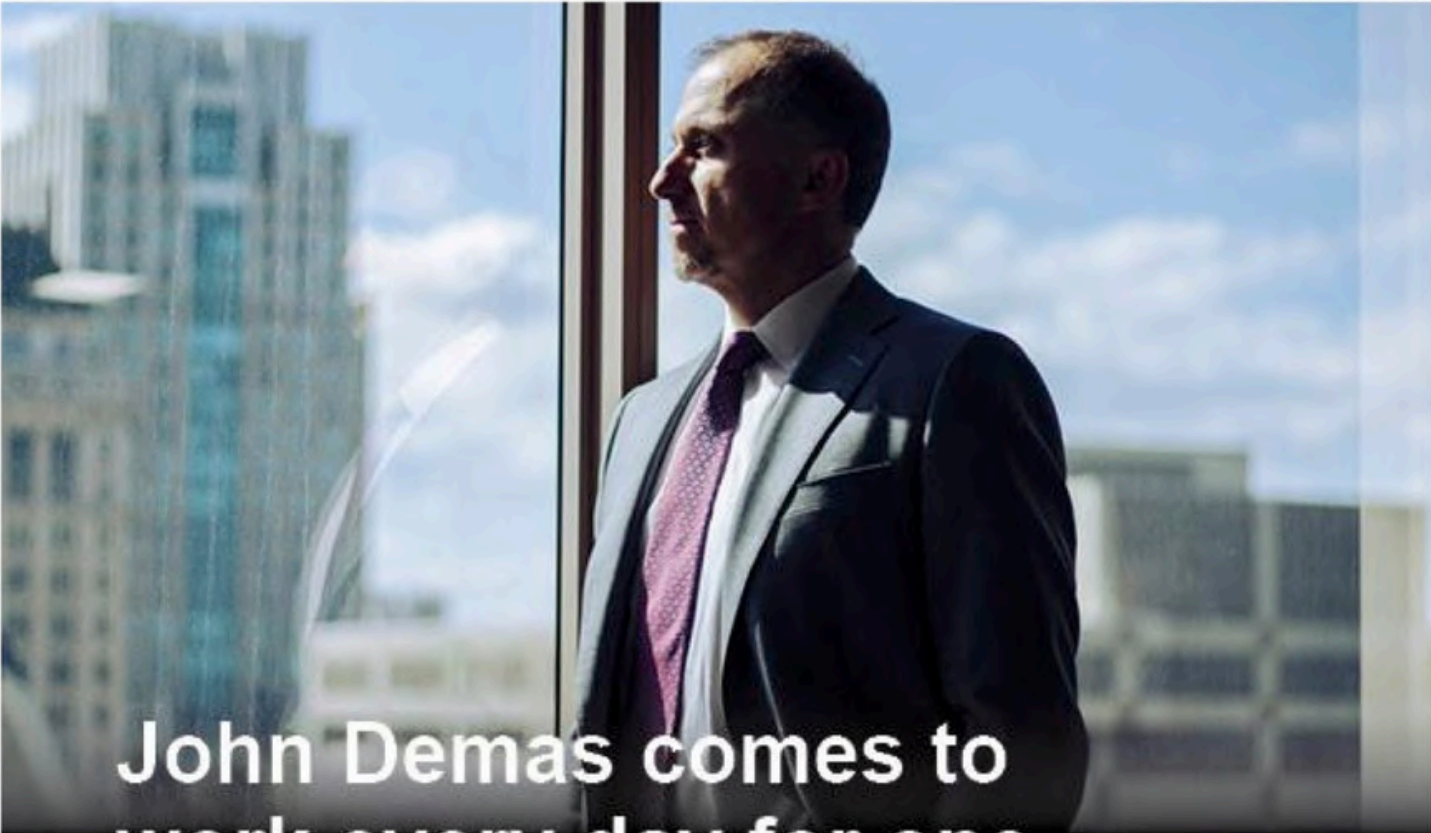
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