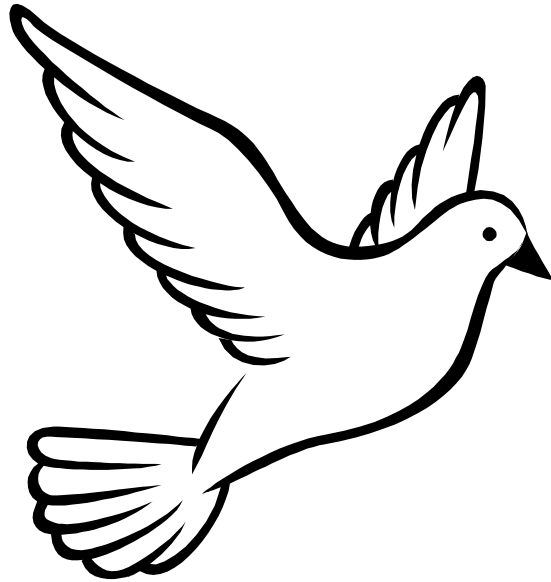


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# THE PANAGIA

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Long Beach, CA



## ***Worship Services***

**Regular Schedule**

**Orthros 8:45 AM**

**Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM**

**NOTE: Sunday Divine  
Liturgy starts at  
10:00AM year-round.**

*See enclosed calendar for  
dates and times of other ser-  
vices this month.*



**NOVEMBER & DECEMBER**

**2018**

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church**

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Athena Mantas, Jerry Polychrones, Ajit Shahani,  
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**Bulletin Coordinator**

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**ASSUMPTION COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD 2018**

Again this year the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Choir is sponsoring a Community Christmas Card. All the proceeds go towards the Assumption Choir needs.

Please support this effort by entering your family's name in the card for \$25 per line. The card will be mailed to all the families in the community's mailing list. This will save you money and effort because this card can replace the individual Christmas cards that you would otherwise be sending to other members of our community.

Please visit the choir table after Sunday services and sign up so that your family's name will appear with all the others on this year's Christmas Card.

Choir members will be outside the Betty Reckas Hall beginning Sunday, November 11 through Sunday, December 9. **The cut-off day is December 9.**

You may also fill out the form below and send it by mail to the:

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Attn: Community Christmas Card  
5761 E Colorado Street, Long Beach, CA 90814

**Please make your checks payable to:  
The Assumption Greek Orthodox Church**  
For: Community Christmas Card

**ASSUMPTION COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD**

Sponsored by your Choir

Minimum Donation: \$25 per line

Your name, as you wish it to appear on the card – Please print:

Line 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Line 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel# \_\_\_\_\_

Donation per line (circle one): \$25 \$50 Other: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Total Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BAPTISMS & CHRISMATIONS**

**8/5/18**

**Nancy Azer (Chrisma)**

Godparent: Tia Karapoulios

**Jack Campbell (Chrisma)**

Godparent: Angelo Karapoulios

**9/15/18**

**Olivia Lita Raimo**

Proud Parents: Anthony & Jennie Raimo

Godparent: Christine Raimo

**9/22/18**

**Noah Demitri Dolas**

Proud Parents: Thomas & Sophia Dolas

Godparent: James Dolas

**10/20/18**

**Katerina Trudy Hill**

Proud Parents: Bobert & Eva Hill

Godparents: Maria & Dimitri Tsolomites,  
Panagiota Simitakos & Meredith & Andres Ortiz

**10/20/18**

**Alexandra Lucinda Patzold**

Proud Parents: Mike & Celeste Patzold

Godparents: Marya Diamond

Congratulations to the families & Godparents.

**WEDDINGS/CONGRATULATIONS**

**9/8/18**

**Nancy Azer & Jack Campbell**

Koumbara: Tia Karapoulios

**9/15/18**

**Christopher Chelekis & Lindsay Yossef**

Koumbari: Tom Chelekis & Shahar Nasser

**MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL**

Condolences are offered to the family and friends of **Zacharoula Krantz** who fell asleep in Lord on 8/13/18.

Condolences are offered to the family and friends of **Argyro Andrikos** who fell asleep in Lord on 8/31/18.

**Announcements**

**Stewardship**

If your name does not appear on the Stewardship list, or you are new in our Parish and want to become member Simply fill out and return to the office the 2018 Stewardship Card as soon as possible. Thank You.

Pledged Categories:	
\$1 - \$100	23 cards
\$101 - \$500	118 cards
\$501 - \$1,000	79 cards
\$1,001 - \$3,000	57 cards
\$3,001 - \$10,000	7 cards
Pay but not Pledged	27 cards



**November & December Prosforo**

**November's** prosforo is donated by Maria Tsalikis & Anna Georgoulis.

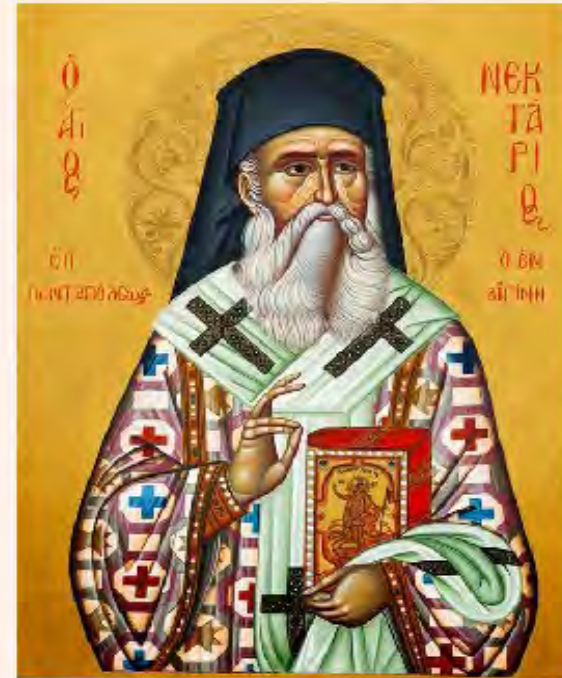
**December's** prosforo is donated by Mina Russos.

Thank you.

If you would like to donate the Prosforo please call the office.

# Assumption Day Trip

## Bus Trip to Covina for the Feast Day of Saint Nektarios



### Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and Lunch Reception

### Friday, November 9th , 2018

Bus leaves from Assumption at **8:00 a.m.** and returns at **3:00 p.m.**

**\$20 per person.**

Please call the church office at 562-494-8929 to reserve your seat.



## Philoptochos

It's Fall and our first General Meeting of the Ecclesiastical year combined with Go Pink Sunday was a success with Demetra Bastas Bratkic as our guest speaker. Demetra spoke on women's health issues. Thank you Demetra for all the information you shared.

The Lovely Ladies of Philoptochos forged through another 5K Walk for the Cure. If you haven't donated yet for Breast Cancer please do so.

Thanksgiving is approaching and it is time to be thankful for what we have by sharing all that God has given us to those less fortunate. There is a drop off table in the foyer of the hall waiting for your Thanksgiving food donation. If you rather not shop, we will be happy to do that for you. This is a community project! It needs the help and cooperation of each and every one of us at Assumption. Sunday school, under the guidance of Elizabeth Syrengelas, along with the Sunday school children and parents are once again doing their part to make this successful. Please be a big part of this and help others have a Happy Thanksgiving. Look for the flyer in this Panagia to find what all is needed.

November 4<sup>th</sup> there will be a memorial for all Philoptochos members who are no longer with us and to commemorate our Patron Saints Cosmas & Damianos. Please join us for this occasion.

The smell of freshly baked goods filled with pumpkin, cinnamon and nutmeg will be waiting for you on Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup>. The annual Philoptochos Harvest Bake Sale will be held to help support Philoptochos and the many outreach programs that we are involved in. Please stop by and purchase goodies to satisfy your sweet tooth.

On November 17<sup>th</sup> Light The Path will be held at The Betty Reckas. The sights and sounds of the Christmas holidays will fill the room. Please mark your calendar and don't miss out on this fabulous event. This annual event helps our graduates of Holy Cross and Hellenic College graduate with little or no college loan debt. We are the only Metropolis in the United States that does this for our future priests and students. This was started by Bishop Anthony and we continue to carry on with his dream. Please be sure to be a part of this gala. If you have any questions please see Bobbie Soupos.

December is a busy month for all of us. One way to have a little relaxing time is to join us at our annual Philoptochos Christmas Luncheon. The date is Sunday December 9<sup>th</sup> after Divine Liturgy. There will be a lovely lunch, beautiful Christmas decorations that will light up the eyes of all. Please join us and be a part of this fun afternoon. Look for the flyers with more information or contact Bobbie Soupos, our party planner!

Our Trinity Homes Christmas Party will be held on Thursday December 13<sup>th</sup>. Seeing the joy in the eyes of these children as they watch for Santa to arrive warms the hearts of all. Please join in the festivities on that evening. If you have any questions, please contact Matoula Batshoun.

Once again, we will have 2 Christmas trees set up in the Narthex. One with names and ages of the foster children of Trinity Foster Homes. Don't forget to stop by and take a name from the tree so that these foster children can have a Christmas they will never forget.

The second tree is for our home bound seniors. Here are asking for donations of board games, adult coloring books, color pencils, and lap blankets. Our ladies will be making visitations to deliver your packages during the month of December. Please be a part of bringing Christmas joy to all.

May God's Blessing be with you and your families on Christmas and always. May you experience the wonder of His abiding love, as He guides you, through each day of the coming year. MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Your sister in Christ,  
Karen Fic, President

Ladas Charlie & Patty  
Lambrakis Catherine  
Lambros Mary  
Liarakos George & Dezi  
Liarakos John & Tesi  
Liarakos Voula  
Lofton Max & Mary  
Lovejoy JJ & Nikki  
Makas Diane  
Makridis Gus & Gene  
Mamo Tirusew  
Mangoutas John & Barbara  
Manos Denise  
Manos Dr. Andy & Pam  
Mantikas Nick & Katherine  
Marentis Victoria  
Marinow Atanas  
Markouizos George & Argyro  
Markouizos Karolos & Georgia  
Markouizos Markella  
Markouizos Nektarios & Lisa  
Matty Dave & Barbara  
McMillan James & Angela  
Mentas Ann  
Michel David & Vasiliki  
Michel Erik & Jennifer  
Milonas Dina  
Mindes Aimee  
Mitchell Pete  
Mitchell Pete Jr.  
Monios Nick & Linda  
Montalbano Paul & Maria  
Moreno Russ & Stephanie  
Morgan Valerie  
Nakai Keichi & Saki  
Nicolau Alex & Reese  
Papacalos Angelic  
Papacalos George & Lucia  
Papadakis Christina  
Papadakis Lillian & Andrianna  
Papadakis Michael & Janel  
Papadakis Nick & Alexandra  
Papadopoulou Evangelos & Lorraine  
Papakoulos Angie  
Papas Taso & Georgia  
Pappas Dino & Catherine  
Pappas Mark & Shari  
Pappas Tina  
Pappas Victor & Christina  
Parlapanides Charles & Elenie  
Parros Bessie  
Patsios Spiros & Melva  
Patzold Mike & Celeste  
Paulos Mary  
Paulos Nicholas  
Pelonis Peter & Agatha  
Phillips Crystal  
Platis Jim & Kay

Pliaconis Michael & Maria  
Polychrones Jerry & Maryann  
Polychrones Speros & Dora  
Popoff Thalia  
Poulis Sofia  
Ragias Pete & Maria  
Raimo Anthony & Jennie  
Raptis Maria  
Rembouskos Panayiotis & Valerie  
Richmond Dan & Doris  
Roubanis Savvas & Jody  
Roumeliotis George & Pamela  
Russos Manolis  
Russo Mina  
Salsman Melvin & Andria  
Samartzi Maria  
Sanchez Daniel & Irene  
Santamarina Jose & Ronnea  
Seeger Clay & Susan  
Sehremelis Andy & Leslie  
Sehremelis Athena  
Settas Renne  
Shahani Ajit & Vicki Georgiadou  
Sharkoff Donald & Anna  
Sharkoff James & Katherine  
Shweiri Cathy & George  
Sidiropoulos Sandy  
Silva Robert & Nicolette  
Simitian Richard & Anna  
Siouris Chris & Panayota  
Siouris Faith  
Skourtas Tony & Angelique  
Smyrniotis Christos & Mary  
Solon William & Elaine  
Sotiriou Dimitris & Christina  
Sotiriou Elias  
Sotiriou Panagiotis & Vasiliki  
Soultanakis Trudith  
Soupos Tom & Bobbie  
Spiropoulos James & Marina  
Spiropoulos Troy & Gina  
Spirtos Dimitri & Judith  
Stathis Robert & Josefa  
Stavros Bill & Maria  
Stavros George & Donna  
Stavros Louis & Mary  
Stavros Theodoros & Olga  
Stavros Tom  
Stevenson Gus & Leona  
Stratos Gregory  
Sullos Jim & Vickie  
Sverkos Dennis & Holly  
Sverkos Gus & Elena  
Sverkos Pete & Natalie  
Syrengelas Andreas & Niky  
Syrengelas Evdokia  
Syrengelas George & Athanasia  
Syrengelas Kon/nos & Dora

Syrengelas Michael & Elizabeth  
Syrengelas Soteria  
Syrengelas Toula  
Syrengelas Vasilios & Maria  
Talaganis Ernest  
Talaganis John & Kathleen  
Talaganis Nick & Amy  
Taliere Maria  
Tavlarides Angelo & Mary  
Teodosiadis Romilo & Melpomeni  
Terzis Konstantinos & Suzanna  
Thermos Jerry & Elli  
Ticknor Chris & Crystal  
Toulios Spiros & Eleni  
Toumasis Kyriaki  
Trigonis Tula  
Tsakoumakis Stan & Debbie  
Tsalikis Maria  
Tsamous Peter & Helen  
Tsimerekis Anna  
Tzortzakis Georgis & Kelly  
Vackrinou Catherine  
Vagelatos John  
Valaskantjis Nikiforos & Georgia  
Vandenberg Ria  
Vargo Douglas & Elefteria  
Varzak Darlene  
Vasilomanolakis Mike & Niki  
Vassiliades John & Eliza  
Vlachos Dino & Helen  
Vlachos Michael & Jessa  
Vorris Thanos & Niki  
Watkins Eavangelia  
Wyatt Richard & Stefanie  
Zambos John  
Zamvakellis Nick & Dr. Alison  
Zarifis Angie  
Zeit Izz  
Zoolakis Anthony & Kari  
Zorzy Josephine  
Zoumberakis Stelio & Stacie

## Panagia's Stewardship Family as of October 1, 2018

Ala Lisa, George & Elisara	Cooc Jeff & Suzan Boltinghouse	Georgoulis George & Anna
Alex Helen	Cornwell Caryle & Demetra	Ghilarducci Walt & Laura
Alexiou Demi	Coromelas Christopher	Giannoulis Anastasia
Alexopoulos Andrew	Coroneus John & Xanthipe	Gossen Ryan & Jennifer
Alexopoulos Christina	Coster Steve & Tonya	Gurrola Raymond & Mary
Alexopoulos Dimitris & Maria	Cottgias Manuel	Hadjimarkos Nicholas & Stemma
Alexopoulos Elias	Cyprus Brandon & Eleni	Haftoglou Dimitris & Maria
Andrikos Ioannis & Argyro	Cyprus Brett & Jane	Hallock Rod & Shirley
Andros Nick	Cyprus Brooke	Hanches Fotini
Apostle Anthony	Cyprus Kayla	Hanson Richard & Haritoula
Apostle Matthew & Michelle	Dalkos Chris & Roula	Hardaway Herman & Pamela
Apostle Tina	Dalkos John & Stavroula	Haririan Alka
Argyros Dionisios & Irini	Darras Sam & Pinelopi	Hatziris Frangoulis & Anna
Argyros Phillip & Amy	Demos Christa	Hennig Vickie
Armogida Rod & Krysta	Demos Eleni	Hernandez Richard & Matilda
Armstrong Randy & Janet	Demos George & Vickie	Hill Robert & Eva
Ashley James & Stella	Deneff Peter & Diane	Hourigan Joseph & Nickie
Awad John & Litsa	Deralas Dean	Jordanides Dennis & Giselle
Bahos Kanella	Desalernos Stephen & Julia	Jordanides Tim & Eleftheria
Bastas Nikos & Kathy	Desalernos Stephen & Stefanie	Jovicic Goran & Alexandria
Batshoun Christina	Diacoumakos Marya	June Rod & Paraskevi
Batshoun Emil & Matoula	Diamond Eleni	Kades Clio
Batshoun Sofie	Dimitropoulos Tom & Elaine	Kades Kelly
Beckas Spiros & Eleni	Dimou Leonidas, Judith, Nikolaos	Kakaris Telis & Lia
Berdanis John	Dogris Alex & Peggy	Kallas Christ & Lucy
Berovinos Antonios & Bonnie	Dolas Chris	Kanakis Panagiotis & Evangelia
Berovinos Michael & Kimberly	Dolas James	Kanavos Pete & Tia
Bisbikis Toula & Argyroula	Dolas Jim & Camille	Karapoulios Family
Bogris Kostas	Dolas John & Theodora & Peter	Karatzis Spiros & Julie
Bogris Maria	Dolas Thomas & Sofia	Karmiris Christopher & Christina
Bogris Tasos & Lindsey	Donlou Gordon & Maria	Karthis Nicholas
Boyce Maria	Edwards Nickolas & Pamela	Kastanas Bill & Paris
Bratkic Jure & Demetra	Eleopoulos Jimmy & Leigh	Kiouis Spiros & Katerina
Breres Zena	Etchepare Anna	Kitsios Kostas & Voula
Brillakis Gus & Nicki	Exacoustos Stella	Kohnert Walt & Yolanda
Broglias Nick	Fally Zoe	Kontaxis Michael
Broglias Steve & Janne	Fattaleh Raja	Kontes Nick & Christina
Bussa Tom & Maria	Fattaleh Saba & Diana	Kontogouris George & Denise
Camaras Dean & Nicole	Fenn Brad & Anna	Kontokanis Dimitris & Maria
Cardenas Roberto & Alexia	Ferguson Robert	Kootsikas Coula
Chelekis Chris & Lindsay Yossef	Fic Karen	Kopp Kyle & Gina
Chelekis Louis & Vicki	Flynn Matthew	Koromelas John & Tina
Chioles James	Fourtounis Peter & Joanna	Kostallas Anthony & Cathy
Chizhov Svetlana	Foutris Constantine	Kotsakis Helen
Choullis Manolis & Sotiria	Foutris John & Marie	Koulos Peter & Emily
Chrysanthis Alex & Vaso	Francis Timothy & Georgi	Kountakis Eugenia
Chrysanthis Alexandra & Richard Wannemmacher	Frousakis Gus & Vicky	Kouris Gregory & Patricia
Colazas Xenophon & Mila	Futris Bill & Mary	Kourtis Costa & Cecilia
Confrey Katina, John & Jackson	Futris George & Consuelo	Kral Michael & Lisa
Contos Angeliki	Galanis Jerry & Marian	Krebenios Anastasia
	George Louie & Penny	Krebenios Nick & Georgia
	Georgedes Katy	Ladas Amalia



## PANAGIAS' ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE Sponsored by You!

*Goal: Thanksgiving meal for 150 families*

To our Panagia Parishioners,

Thanksgiving is a day of giving thanks to God, enjoying good food, and above all, fellowship with family. Thanksgiving is the day that we reach out to those families who need our love and support to celebrate Thanksgiving with a warm and enjoyable meal.

As a community, we would like to reach out to 150 families this year. You can sponsor a family with a \$35.00 donation (made payable to Assumption Philoptochos) or bring in your non-perishable food items and frozen turkeys no later than *Sunday, November 18, 2018*. Representatives from *For the Child* will meet with our Sunday School children and pick up our donations for distribution to the families.

We can't stress enough how much your donation means to these families. Giving them an opportunity to have a Thanksgiving meal (like we are all so blessed to have) is priceless. We sincerely thank you and appreciate your continuous support!

*On behalf of those who are receiving your action of kindness,  
Thank You!*

### A donation of \$35 and/or items needed:

Canned veggies, canned fruit, gravy, stuffing/dressing, cranberry sauce, bag of potatoes, dinner rolls, cake & frosting mix, peanut butter, bread, cereal, oatmeal, granola bars, canned soup, dry pasta, uncooked rice/beans, pasta and frozen turkey. Grocery gift cards (Northgate, Superior, Ralphs/Food 4Less) (Please do not donate expired items.)

Mail checks to: Assumption Greek Church, 5761 E. Colorado Street, Long Beach, CA 90814, Attention: Philoptochos  
Additional information: contact Kathy Bastas at [knbastas@aol.com](mailto:knbastas@aol.com)

\*For The Child, located in Long Beach builds healthy lives for children and families free of abuse, neglect and violence.  
[www.forthethechild.org](http://www.forthethechild.org)

*"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched.  
They must be felt with the heart"*  
Helen Keller

## Η ιστορία ενός μολυβιού

### *Greek Column by Voula Michail*

Ένα παιδί κοιτούσε τη γιαγιά του που έγραφε ένα γράμμα. Κάποια στιγμή τη ρώτησε:  
- Γιαγιά, η ιστορία που γράφεις συνέβη σε εμάς; Και μήπως είναι μια ιστορία για μένα;

Η γιαγιά σταμάτησε να γράφει, χαμογέλασε και είπε στον εγγονό της:  
- Όντως γράφω για σένα. Ωστόσο, αυτό που είναι πιο σημαντικό κι από τις λέξεις είναι το μολύβι που χρησιμοποιώ. Θα ήθελα, όταν μεγαλώσεις, να γίνεις σαν κι αυτό.

Το παιδί, περίεργο, κοιτάξε το μολύβι και δεν είδε τίποτα το ιδιαίτερο.  
- Αφού είναι το ίδιο με όλα τα μολύβια που έχω δει στη ζωή μου!

- Όλα εξαρτώνται από τον τρόπο τον οποίο βλέπεις τα πράγματα. Το μολύβι έχει πέντε ιδιότητες, τις οποίες αν καταφέρεις να διατηρήσεις, θα είσαι πάντα ένας άνθρωπος που θα βρίσκεται σε αρμονία με τον κόσμο.

**Πρώτη ιδιότητα:** Μπορείς να κάνεις μεγάλα πράγματα, αλλά δεν πρέπει να ξεχνάς ποτέ ότι υπάρχει ένα Χέρι το οποίο καθοδηγεί τα βήματά σου. Αυτό το χέρι το λέμε «Θεό» και Εκείνος πρέπει να σε καθοδηγεί πάντα σύμφωνα με το θέλημά Του.

**Δεύτερη ιδιότητα:** Πότε-πότε πρέπει να σταματάω να γράφω και να χρησιμοποιώ την ζύστρα. Αυτό κάνει το μολύβι να υποφέρει λίγο, αλλά στο τέλος είναι πιο μυτερό. Έτσι, μάθε να υπομένεις ορισμένες δοκιμασίες γιατί θα σε κάνουν καλύτερο άνθρωπο.

**Τρίτη ιδιότητα:** Το μολύβι μας επιτρέπει πάντα να χρησιμοποιούμε γόμα για να σβύνουμε τα λάθη. Κατάλαβε ότι το να διορθώνουμε κάτι που κάναμε δεν είναι απαραίτητα κακό, αλλά σημαντικό για να παραμένουμε στο δρόμο του δικαίου.

**Τέταρτη ιδιότητα:** Αυτό που έχει στην ουσία σημασία στο μολύβι δεν είναι το ξύλο ή το εξωτερικό του σχήμα, αλλά ο γραφίτης που περιέχει. Έτσι, να φροντίζεις πάντα αυτό που συμβαίνει μέσα σου.

**Τέλος, η πέμπτη ιδιότητα** του μολυβιού: Αφήνει πάντα ένα σημάδι. Έτσι, λοιπόν, να ξέρεις ότι ό,τι κάνεις στη ζωή σου θα αφήσει ίχνη και να προσπαθείς να έχεις επίγνωση της κάθε σου πράξης.

### *Senior Christians*

The Seniors will be holding their next two holiday social events at restaurants near our church. Our Thanksgiving lunch will be held on November 20, 2018, and our Christmas lunch will be held on December 18, 2018. Both holiday socials will start at 12:00pm; however, the locations have yet to be determined. So, please check your mail and future bulletin announcements for location details.

Group pictures will be taken at both events and one of the pictures will be featured in the upcoming AHEPA Family Ad Book for Mid-Winter Conference. So, please mark your calendars from now so you can attend our holiday events. Please note, this is an open event, everyone is welcome, so feel free to invite your friends and family.

RSVPs should be sent to either Matoula (714) 705-9316 or Bobbie (714) 307-1488. When you RSVP, please indicate whether you need a ride to the events so that arrangements can be made.

Hope to see you all there,  
Matoula Batshoun

## Sunday Religious Education

What a great start we have had in Sunday School! If you haven't already registered, please visit <http://www.assumptionlb.org/sunday-school/>. It is important that we have your information to communicate about upcoming events and just about what is going on in Sunday School. We have a dedicated team of teachers and this year we have asked parents to teach one or two lessons as "guest teachers". We want everyone involved! If you are interested in teaching about your favorite saint, your favorite part of the liturgy, or your favorite bible story please contact us. We love to see you and all the children in church and Sunday School.

Elizabeth Syrengelas & Pres. Jessica Kanakis

[Sundayschool@assumptionlb.org](mailto:Sundayschool@assumptionlb.org)

[elizabethsyrengelas@gmail.com](mailto:elizabethsyrengelas@gmail.com)

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## Greek School

Congratulations to all our students & teachers on a job well done at our **OXI Day** Celebration!

Thank you to everyone who supported this event.

**SAVE THE DAY:** Christmas Party will be on Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-7pm

**NO CLASS – DECEMBER 26<sup>th</sup> & JANUARY 2<sup>nd</sup>** Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!

*Many new and exciting things happening with Greek School,*

*Follow us on Facebook. <http://tinyurl.com/AssumptionGreekSchool>*

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## Greek Dance & Cultural Arts School

Welcome to Fall AGDCAS Dancers and Parents!

As the weather gets cooler and we begin planning for the holidays, our dancers and directors are practicing night after night learning about our culture through dance. Our practices are full of life, love, and laughter! If you haven't been by the church when practices finish, it is a heart-warming sight to see all the children playing soccer and running around in our "platia," just like in Greece. The camaraderie and joy that is seen is very touching. This year, we are very excited to bring a NEW event to our parish!! Mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>** for our new Glendi "**Oli Nihta with Endasi.**" Our musicians will be coming to play music from all areas of Greece where we can dance, eat, and enjoy the beauty of our culture. More details to follow in the weekly bulletins! This will be one of two major fundraising events for our Dance Program. The next event will be on Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup> and will be a Dinner/Dance where all our dance groups will perform. More information to follow!

We hope you will support our events and are greatly appreciative of our generosity.

Stacie Zoumberakis, AGDCAS President



*Panagia's Little Lambs*

This year of Panagia's Little Lambs is off to an amazing start. The room is filled with laughter and playing which makes my heart happy! We have so many new members and a lot of returning ones. Watching the children grow from being the littlest to the oldest is such a blessing. In September we spent time getting to know each other. It didn't take long for the children to find toys they loved, new friends and learn new songs. October was filled with Halloween fun. We went to Pa's Pumpkin Patch as our outing and had our annual Trunk or Treat and Costume parade! The children loved the train and climbing on the pumpkins at the patch. The parade is always fun for parents. Seeing all the kids in costume is a real treat! Our lessons have focused on doing our cross and going to church. The kids walked over to church to light candles and kiss the icons. They are already so familiar with this important routine! In November and December we will learn about creation and Jesus' birth. We have exciting activities, celebrations and events planned. We encourage all parents, grandparents and caretakers to bring children ages 3 and under every Wednesday, 10:30-11:30. Please email [Elizabethsyrengelas@gmail.com](mailto:Elizabethsyrengelas@gmail.com) to inquire more and to be put on our email list. This is where updated information about classes and event times/dates are posted. Thank you to all the dedicated moms and Yiayia's who bring the children weekly!

Elizabeth Syrengelas

*From the Choir Loft*



*With my song  
I Praise Him.*

*Psalm 28:7*

**The Assumption Choir  
needs more voices!**

- All parishioners are welcome to join
- You don't need to know how to read music
- Join the fun and the fellowship of this beautiful ministry!



For more info,  
please see a choir member  
or contact the church office (562) 494-8929



**SATURDAY •  
DECEMBER 1ST •  
8:30PM •**

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## In the year of the Lord - November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Hall: TGIS & Philoptochos "For the Child" Volunteer Dinner 5pm - 8pm	2 Futsal game 6pm - 7:30 pm	3
4 ✦ Ε' Δοκιά 4th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	5	6	7 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am  Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	8 ✦ Synaxis of the Archangels Orthros & D. Liturgy 9 am	9 Nektarios the Wonderworker Trip to Covina 8am - 3pm  Futsal game 6pm - 7:30 pm	10
General Assembly						
11 ✦ Η' Δοκιά 8th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	12	13	14 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am  Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	15	16 Futsal game 6pm - 7:30 pm	17 Philoptochos: Light the Path 11:30 am
Philoptochos: Harvest Bake Sale						
18 ✦ Θ' Δοκιά 9th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	19	20 Senior Christians Thanksgiving lunch 12:00 noon  P. C. Meeting 7:00 pm	21 ✦ Entrance of the Theotokos Orthros & D. Liturgy 9 am  No Panagia's Little Lambs  No Greek School	22 Happy Thanksgiving  Church closed	23	24
25 ✦ ΙΓ' Δοκιά 13th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	26	27	28 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am  Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	29	30 Futsal game 6pm - 7:30 pm	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Greek Dance Glendi 8:30 pm
2 ✦ ΙΔ' Δοκιά 14th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	3	4	5 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am  Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	6 ✦ Nicholas the Wonderworker At Rose Hills 10 am	7 Futsal game 6pm - 7:30 pm	8
Parish Elections						
9 ✦ Ι' Δοκιά 10th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	10	11	12 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am  Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	13 Trinity Foster Homes Christmas party 4pm - 9pm	14 Futsal game 6pm - 7:30 pm	15
Philoptochos: Christmas Luncheon						
16 ✦ ΙΑ' Δοκιά 11th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	17	18 Senior Christians Christmas lunch 12:00 noon  P. C. Meeting 7:00 pm	19 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am  Greek School Christmas party 5:30pm - 7:00 pm	20	21 Futsal game 6pm - 7:30 pm	22
Sunday School: Christmas Pageant						
23 ✦ Sunday before Nativity Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	24 ✦ Christmas Eve Orthros 4pm D. Liturgy 5 pm (Holy Communion)	25 CHRISTMAS  Church closed	26 No Panagia's Little Lambs  No Greek School	27	28 Futsal game 6pm - 7:30 pm	29
30 ✦ Sunday after Nativity Orthros 8:45 am D. Liturgy 10 am	31 ✦ New Year's Eve Orthros 4pm D. Liturgy 5 pm (Holy Communion)					