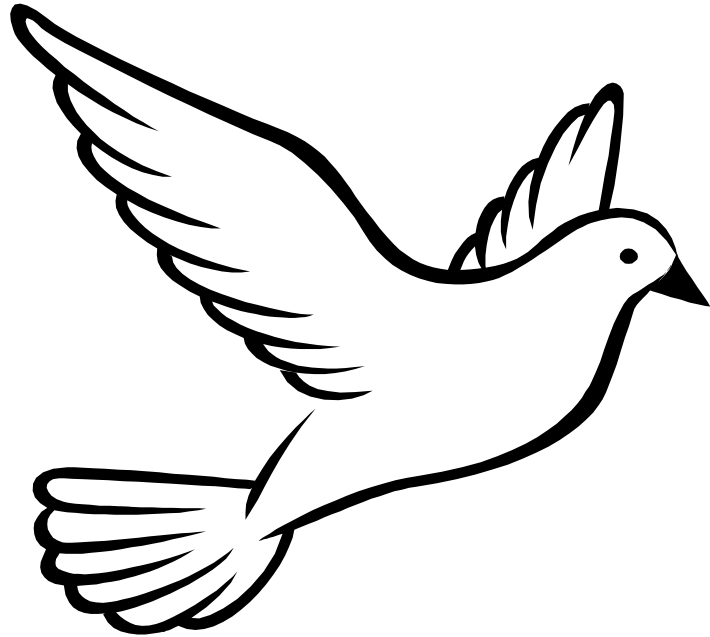


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- Archangel: \$150 & up a week (\$7,800 +)
- Angel: \$125 a week (\$6,500)
- Guardian: \$100 a week (\$5,200)
- Protector: \$75 a week (\$3,900)
- Apostle: \$60 a week (\$3,120)
- Disciple: \$40 a week (\$2,080)
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- Supporter: \$20 a week (\$1,040)
- Friend: \$10 a week (\$520)

- Monthly (12 Payments a Year)
- Quarterly (4 Payments a Year)
- Semiannually (2 Payments)
- Annually

- Check: Mail/In person (memo: stewardship)
- Online at assumptionlb.org/stewardship

Please review our new stewardship card prayerfully for your commitment.
For other one-time donations please call the church office or visit our website.

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9/7/19

Cohen Nico Baum

Proud parents: Josh & Danielle Baum
Godparents: Richard & Nicole Schwartz

11/2/19

Maria Zeta Rae Hatzis

Proud parents: Serafim & Morgan Hatzis
Godparents: John Vagelatos

11/9/19

Teagan James (Demetra) Dolas

Proud parents: James & Angela Dolas
Godparents: Robert & Nicolette Silva & Kendall Elliott

11/16/19

Frankie Geno (Fotios Tzanos) Elder

Proud parents: Josh & Katrina Elder
Godparents: Kristopher & Jessica Captanis

11/23/19

Stamatios Roumeliotis

Proud parents: Giorgos & Pamela Roumeliotis
Godparents: Harry & Sia Giannakopoulos

11/30/19

Andromahie Mikhail Xeros

Proud parents: Nicholas & Anna Xeros
Godparents: Bobby & Kathy Tsigkounis, Pete & Tia Kanavos, Jimmy, Frances & Athanasia Kyriazis

Menelaos Gabrielle Xeros

Proud parents: Nicholas & Anna Xeros
Godparents: Andrew & Rula Eliopulos & Jimmy & Effie Spathopoulos

12/14/19

Ariana Marie Stavros

Proud parents: Andy & Amber Stavros
Godparents: Aki & Adriana Vourakis

WEDDINGS

10/12/19

Joshua Elder & Katrina Armogida

Koumbari: Kristopher Captanis & Toni Marie Koulos

Announcements

SACRAMENTS cont.

WEDDINGS

10/25/19

Ryan Mascoli & Constance Richards

Koumbaros: Michael Richards

12/7/19

Paul Poulis & Neysa Mains

Koumbari: Peter & Jenny Valaskantjis

MAY THE MEMORY BE ETERNAL

Condolences are offered to the family and friends of **George Georgoulis** who fell asleep in Lord on 9/7/19.

Condolences are offered to the family and friends of **Christos Pirillis** who fell asleep in Lord on 9/28/19.

Condolences are offered to the family and friends of **Tina Lilis** who fell asleep in Lord on 10/3/19.

Condolences are offered to the family and friends of **George Loizides** who fell asleep in Lord on 10/15/19.

And **Rodoula Loizides** who fell asleep in Lord on 10/21/19.

Condolences are offered to the family and friends of **Fragouly Hatziris** who fell asleep in Lord on 10/22/19.

Condolences are offered to the family and friends of **Savas Zamvakellis** who fell asleep in Lord on 11/15/19.

Monthly Prosforo

January's prosforo is donated by Amelia Ladas

February's prosforo is donated by Kay Platis

March's prosforo is donated by Cecilia Kourtis & Niki Vorriss

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



68th ANNUAL EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

Sunday, January 5, 2020

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church

5761 East Colorado Street

Long Beach, California 90814

8:45 AM – Orthros

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy & Great Agiasmo

Followed by the Service of the Cross Drive at Mother's Beach

Mother's Beach

5839 East Appian Way

Long Beach, CA 90803

A Luncheon will be back at the Church Hall will follow.

Prices for lunch are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children.

- All divers must contact Angelo Karapoulios at (714) 267-7891

or at Karapoulios@gmail.com

Happy New Year and welcome 2020!

Assumption Philoptochos sends their best wishes for a healthy and safe new year.

Philoptochos

Thank you to all for your generosity in 2019. Without your donations we would not have been able to support our outreach and make our Thanksgiving food drive successful. We were able to supply Thanksgiving dinners to various Long Beach organization such as For the Child and The Children's Clinic. Over 178 families were fed including more than 300 children.

God has truly blessed us! Thank you to the Parish Council for helping us to provide Christmas food baskets to the families in need at For the Child.

A great big thank you for all the love that you have given and for being a part of this fantastic Philoptochos Omonia Chapter.

Hoping that in 2020 we will be able to continue to spread love and good will throughout our community and beyond.

Our Lovely Philoptochos Ladies, made holiday visitations to those confined to their homes and not able to come to church. Your visits brought smiles to all as you shared your love. **A great big thank you!**

Once again, we hosted Trinity Foster Homes with over 60 children and their families to a Christmas party that even included Santa. The glow in the eyes of the children were priceless.

Our Christmas party was more than successful.

Our baking team, never let us down. From working weeks and weeks preparing for our festival to making sure we had supplies of koulourakia each Sunday for coffee hour and delicious Greek Christmas sweets, they were there. A BIG thank you to all of you wonderful bakers, without you we wouldn't satisfy our sweet tooth.

Jumping on to the events of 2020, mark your calendars for all the events coming up the first quarter of this year:

- **Annual Cutting of the Vasilopita: Sunday, January 19th.** Once again, we are asking that you share your favorite Vasilopita with us that day. All proceeds from for the cutting are given to St.

Basil Academy. Assumption Long Beach has adopted two students from St Basil's.

- **Annual Membership Lunch: Sunday, February 2, 2019.** This year's theme, "Off to the Races—Philoptochos Opening Day". We need to build our membership. We cannot do this without your help. It is our goal that every member of this community be part of Philoptochos and its mission as well and spread philanthropy to those in need. Help us increase our membership by attending. It's a fun and exciting afternoon and a joy to see the talents of those who decorated tables for the event. If you are interested in participating, please contact Lia Kakaris @ 562-773-1778.

We will be recognizing women's heart health at our luncheon so, remember to wear something red that day.

- **Clean Monday with Compliment Service on Monday, March 2 at 6pm** at the hall. Start Lent by breaking bread together as a family with delicious Lenten meals. Bring your favorite Lenten dish to share.

- **General Meeting: Sunday, March 15.** More information to follow.

Again, we wish that the New Year bring the best of health and happiness to you and your families.

Your Sister in Christ,
Lia Kakaris, President

Kostallas Tony & Cathy
Koulos Peter & Emily
Kountakis Eugenia
Kouris Gregory & Patricia
Kourtis Costa & Cecilia
Kral Michael & Lisa
Krantz Robert & Tricia
Krebenios Anastasia
krebenios Nick & Georgia
Kyriakos Spiros & Lainie
Ladas Amalia
Ladas Charlie & Patty
Lambros Mary
Lamrakis Catherine
Liarakos George & Dezi
Liarakos John & Athanasia
Liarakos Voula
Lilis Tina, Anagia, Chris
Lofton Max & Mary
Loizides George & Rodoula
Lotakis Eleni
Makas Diane
Makridis Gus & Gene
Mamo Tirusew
Mangoutas John & Barbara
Maniatogiannis Loukas & Stacy
Manos Denise
Manos Dr. Andy & Pamela
Mantas Athena
Mantikas Nick & Katherine
Marinow Atanas
Markouizos George & Argyro
Markouizos Karolos & Georgia
Markouizos Markella
Markouizos Nektarios & Lisa
Matty Dave & Barbara
McMillan James & Angela
Medenas Theodore & Fotoula
Mentas Ann
Mentas James & Patricia
Mentzelos George & Christina
Michel David & Vasiliki
Michel Erik & Jennifer
Milonas Dina
Mitchell Pete
Monios Linda
Montalbano Paul & Maria
Moreno Russ & Stephanie
Morgan Valerie
Nakai Keiichi & Saki
Nezis Eleni
Nicolaou Alex & Reese
Papacalos George & Lucia
Papadakis Christina
Papadakis Lillian & Andrianna
Papadakis Michael & Janel
Papadakis Nick & Alexandra
Papadopoulos Evangelos & Lorraine
Papakoulos Angie
Papas Tasos & Georgia

Papoulias Thanasis & Sophia
Pappas Constantina
Pappas Mark & Shari
Pappas Victor & Christina
Parlapanides Charles & Elenie
Parra Rick & Nicole
Parros Bessie
Patsios Spiro & Melva
Paulos Mary
Paulos Nicholas
Pelonis Peter & Agatha
Petras Brian & Aline
Phillips Crystal
Platis James & Kay
Pliaconis Michael & Maria
Polychrones Jerry & Marianna
Polychrones Spero & Dora
Popoff Thalia
Poulis Sofia
Ragias Pete & Maria
Raptis Maria
Reed Richard & Kyriaki
Richards Constance
Richards Dean & Dorothy
Richards Michael
Richmond Dan & Doris
Roubanis Savva & Jody
Roumeliotis George & Pamela
Russos Asimina
Russos Manolis
Salsman Mel & Andria
Santamarina Jose & Ronnea
Schwartz Richard & Nicole
Schwarzbach Theodore & Anastasia
Seeger Clay & Susan
Sehremelis Andy & Leslie
Sehremelis Athena
Sharkoff Donald & Anna
Sharkoff James & Katherine
Shweiri Cathy & George
Sikolas Maria Elena
Silva Robert & Nicolette
Simitian Richard & Anna
Siouris Chris & Panayota
Siouris Faith
Skarzenski Joseph & Gitana Deneff
Skourtas Tony & Angelique
Smyrniotis Christos & Mary
Sotiriou Dimitris & Christina
Sotiriou Elias
Sotiriou Peter & Vasiliki
Soultanakis Trudith
Soupos Tom & Bobbie
Spiratos Jerry
Spiratos John & Kiva
Spiropoulos James & Marina
Spiropoulos Troy & Gina
Spyropoulos Evridiki
Stapakis Olympia
Stapakis Steve & Joanne

Stathis Robert & Josefa
Stavros Andy & Amber
Stavros Bill & Maria
Stavros Louis & Mary
Stavros Theodoros & Olga
Stavros Tom
Stevenson Leona
Stewart Sean & Denise
Sullos James & Vickie
Sverkos Dennis & Holly
Sverkos Gus & Elena
Sverkos Pete & Natalie
Syrengelas Andreas & Niky
Syrengelas Dino & Dora
Syrengelas Evdoxia
Syrengelas Michael & Elizabeht
Syrengelas Soteria
Syrengelas Toula
Syrengelas Vasilis & Maria
Taireh Fadi & Elizabeth
Talaganis Ernest
Talaganis John & Kathleen
Talaganis Nick & Amy
Taliere Maria
Tan Chrysanthe
Tan Terpsi
Tavlarides Angelo & Mary
Terzis Andreas & Helen
Terzis Constantinos & Susanna
Thompson Joyce
Ticknor Chris & Crystal
Toulios Spyros & Eleni
Toumasis Kyriaki
Triantos Dina
Triantos Tasia
Trigonis Tula
Tsakoumakis Stan & Debora
Tsalikis Maria
Tsamous Peter & Helen
Tsegaye Kibread & Saliem
Tsimerekis Anna
Vackrinis Catherine
Valaskantjis Nikiforos & Georgia
Vanderberg Brent & Ria
Varzak Darlene
Vasilomanolakis Dr. Mike & Niki
Vassiliades John & Eliza
Vlachos Dino, Helen
Vlahakis Katherine
Vorris Thanos & Niki
Watkins Evangelia
Xeros Nick & Anna
Yortzidis Dimitris & Stacy
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Bacol Sina	Desalernos Stephen & Stefanie	Hernandez Richard & Matilda
Balas Louis & Toula	Diamond Eleni	Herron Craig & Diana
Bastas Nikos & Kathy	Dimas Michael & Maria	Hourigan Joseph & Nickie
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Batshoun Emil & Matoula	Dimou Leonidas, Niko & Ruween	Jordanides Tim & Eleftheria
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Baum Josh & Danielle	Dolas Chris	June Rod & Paraskevi
Beckas Spiro & Eleni	Dolas James & Angela	Kades Clio
Berdanis John	Dolas Jim & Camille	Kades Kelly
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Berovinos Tony & Bobbie	Donlou Gordon & Maria	Kalatzis Apostolos
Bisbikis Toula & Argyroula	Edwards Nickolas & Pamela	Kallins George & Bettina
Boosalis Afroditi	Elder Josh & Katrina	Kanakis Peter & Evangelia
Boosalis Koumis	Eleopoulos Jimmy & Leigh	Kanavos Pete & Tia
Bratkic Jure & Demetra	Esparza Marissa	Karahalios George & Angie
Brers Zena	Etchepare Anna	Karanikas Panagiotos & Helen
Brillakis Gus & Nicki	Exacoustos Stella	Karapoulios Family
Brogolias Nick	Falangas Theodore & Debbie	Karapoulios Gregory
Brogolias Steve & Janne	Falley Zoe	Karatzis Spiros & Julia
Bussa Anthony	Fattaleh Raja	Karidakis George & family
Bussa Tom & Maria	Fattaleh Saba & Diana	Kamiris Christopher & Christina
Camaras Dean & Nicole	Fenn Brad & Anna	Karpouzis Dimitrios & Natalya
Camaras Tykye & Elaine	Ferguson Robert & Fotini	Karthas Nicholas
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Captanis Katina & Joe Altounian	Flynn Matthew	Kiouisis Spiro & Katerina
Cardenas Roberto & Alexia	Fotinakes Jennie	Kirollos Freddy
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Chelekis Louis & Vicki	Francis Timotheos & Georgi	Konstnatinidis Byron & Kaite
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Christidis Harry & Ourania	Galanis Jerry & Marian	Korakis Michael
Chrysanthis Alex & Vaso	Garcia Juan & Marina	Koromelas John & Tina

ΚΑΘΑΡΑ ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ
Γιορτάζουμε τα ΚΟΥΛΟΥΜΑ

Clean Monday PotLuck

Monday, March 2
6:00pm
Church Hall

Assumption Long Beach

OFF TO THE RACES! PHILOPTOCHOS OPENING DAY!



Little Lambs

This has been an amazing year in Panagia's Little Lambs. The room is filled with laughter, music, and playing! 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, make new friends and learn new songs. The musical instruments are a big hit!!!

October was filled with Halloween fun. We went to Pa's Pumpkin Patch as our outing. The children loved climbing on the pumpkins, feeding the animals in the petting zoo and, of course, the train ride. We also had a costume party. Seeing all the kids in costume is a real treat!

Our lessons have focused on doing our cross, going to church and what we see in church. The kids walked around the church building and pointed out things they saw.

We have exciting activities, celebrations and events planned for the rest of the year. 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 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 Yiayias' who bring the children weekly!

Love, Elizabeth Syrengelas

Sunday School

Sunday school has had a very productive year so far. Our greatest venture has been adding a Youth choir and music component to our program this year. Each month students have learned a hymn from the Liturgy and perform them in church. Our staff is eager each Sunday to teach our students about Saints, parts of the Diving Liturgy, prayers and the Bible. We have also created Sunday School teams. With attendance each week and team building activities, the students earn points towards each of their teams; St. Paul, St. Katherine, St. George and St. Barbara. Which will be the winning team at the end of the year? We love seeing your children in church and especially love their participation in Sunday School- Thank you!

Please email sundayschool@assumptionlb.org with any questions or concerns.

With love, Sunday School Staff

Greek School

Happy New Year!! We hope everyone enjoyed the holidays.

Greek School will be back in full swing on Wednesday, Jan. 8, after the holidays.

NO CLASS – Jan. 1st, Feb. 12th & Feb. 19th Good Luck to all our students at FDF!

Independence Day Event & Poems

Greek Independence Day Luncheon will be held on **Sunday, March 29th** after church.

Many new and exciting things happening with Greek School,
Follow us on Facebook for updates. <http://tinyurl.com/AssumptionGreekSchool>

What a wonderful start to 2020!

Greek Dance & Cultural Arts School

On Saturday, December 7th we celebrated together at our glendi “**Oli Nixta with Endasi.**” Seeing everyone gather together, from all parishes in the Southland, enjoying the live music, dancing, and atmosphere was a beautiful and touching sight to see. This event showcased our musicians, who flew out from Chicago, New York, Charlotte, and Atlanta for practices as our dance groups prepare for FDF. They are all extremely talented, as they play music from all areas of Greece, allowing us to dance, eat, and enjoy the beauty of our culture.

On Saturday, January 25th we will be having our “Oli Mazi” Dinner/Dance where all our dance groups will perform in costume and show our families what we have been learning all year. More details to follow in the weekly bulletins! We hope you will support our next event and are greatly appreciative of your generosity.

For our Diakonia project this year, our dance program will be donating toys to “Toys for Tots.” Everyone is encouraged to participate and donate an unwrapped toy. Our “Toys for Tots” boxes are located in the Narthex and the Gym classrooms. A huge thank you to Melva Patsios and Giselle Jordanides for spearheading our Diakonia project this year!

This coming year we have two competitions to prepare for. As always, our dance groups will be competing at FDF in Anaheim, CA (Anaheim Marriott) during the President’s Day Holiday (February 13-16). Our dancers and directors, with the love and support of their families and friends, will be showcasing beautiful suites of dances and will represent our parish on and off the stage.

Ta Patriotakia will be performing dances from various regions of Greece in the exhibition Division 3 category. Our director, Iliana Richards, with assistance from Dena Dalkos and Ryan Pappas have put together a beautiful suite that includes dancing and singing.

Mikra Asteria will be showcasing dances from the prefecture of Rethymno, Crete. Dina Triantos, Tasia Triantos, and Lexy Varonos have been working hard getting these kids to dance with Cretan “aera.”

Ta Angeloudakia will be performing dances from the island of Tzia and the village of Nestani, Peloponnisos. Christina Karidakis and Polimnia Stathas, their directors, have been researching these areas extensively, which are close to their hearts, as Polimnia Stathas’ family is from Nestani.

Junior Olympians will amaze us with dance suites from the village of Gergeri in Iraklion, Crete and Soroni, Rodos. Their directors, Yanni Dalkos and Sophia Armogida have been instilling structure in their practices, while also making it a fun environment.

If you would like to support any of our groups, I highly recommend driving over to Anaheim to watch live these performances. If you cannot, they will have a live stream available.

Our **Olympian Dancers**, this year, have decided to forego the FDF competition, but rather, will be competing at HDF. HDF, or the “Hellenic Dance Festival” is the equivalent of FDF, but hosted by the Atlanta diocese. It is held on MLK weekend and will be in Orlando, FL. We are so excited to have our Olympian Dancers represent our Long Beach dance program and happy that our dancers will be meeting new people and showcasing what they know best. This is also the competition that I, your dance school president, am closely involved with as an invited judge for the last 5 years. The filotimia that the East coast shows is second to none and I am so excited to have our Olympian dancers see what HDF is all about.

As always, our appreciation goes to our Assumption community for your love and support. Glory be to God for this dance ministry!

Wishing you all a blessed 2020,
Stacie Zoumberakis, President AGDCAS

Senior Christians

Dear Senior Christians, Parishioners and Members,

As we welcome the **New Year**, I want to wish you all a **healthy** long life, filled with love, new plans, new and happy memories made with your loved ones.

On Tuesday, March 31, 2020 the Seniors Christians will be hosting their Easter Holiday Lunch at 12 Noon at Claim Jumper, located on 6501 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Long Beach, CA 90803. Please be sure to wear your most festive Easter outfit because photos will be taken and shared on Facebook and the church’s website.

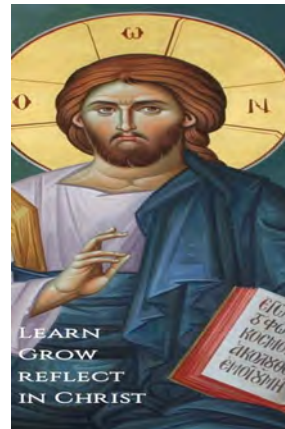
In addition, we plan to play games and Father Christos has graciously volunteered to be our Jeopardy game show host. The three highest scoring individuals will receive prizes!!!

Please RSVP by March 15, 2020 by contacting either Bobbie Soupos @ (714) 307-1488, or Matoula @ (714) 705-9316. When you are RSVPing, please also indicate whether you need a ride to the event so that arrangements can be made in advance.

Feel free to bring any of your friends, family, or neighbors, everyone is welcome to join the fun.

We look forward to seeing you all there,

Matoula Batshoun
Director of the Assumption Seniors



SUNDAY CATECHISM
(LAST TWO SUNDAYS OF THE MONTH)
9:30 - 10:00 am in the church between
Orthros/Matins and Divine Liturgy.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

January 19 & 26
February 16 & 23
March 22 & 29

Greek Column by Voula Michail

Κάποτε ένας νεαρός κύριος συναντά έναν ηλικιωμένο.

-Με θυμάστε; Ρωτάει ο νεαρός τον ηλικιωμένο κύριο.

-Όχι, του λέει ο ηλικιωμένος.

-Υπήρξα μαθητής σας στο γυμνάσιο.

-Ω! Αλήθεια; Τι κάνεις; Με τι ασχολείσαι; Ρωτάει ο ηλικιωμένος κύριος τον νεαρό.

-Έγινα κι εγώ καθηγητής, του λέει.

-Κατά την άποψή σου, κρίνεις ότι είσαι καλός στη δουλειά σου; Ενδιαφέρεται να μάθει ο ηλικιωμένος.

-Η αλήθεια είναι πως ναι. Εσείς με εμπνεύσατε και ήθελα να σας μοιάσω, του απαντάει ο νεαρός.

Περίεργος ο ηλικιωμένος κύριος, ρωτά να μάθει τι είχε γίνει και τον ενέπνευσε σε τέτοιο βαθμό ώστε να θέλει να γίνει κι ο ίδιος καθηγητής.

Και ο νεαρός του διηγείται την ακόλουθη ιστορία.

-Κάποια μέρα ένας συμμαθητής μου – που ήταν και φίλος μου – ήλθε στην τάξη και μου έδειξε ένα πανέμορφο καινούργιο ρολόι που είχε στην τσέπη του. Δεν άντεξα στον πειρασμό και κάποια στιγμή του το έκλεψα. Σε λίγο, αντιλήφθηκε ότι το ρολόι έλειπε από την τσέπη του και αμέσως ενημέρωσε τον καθηγητή που μας δίδασκε εκείνη την στιγμή στην τάξη, που ήσασταν εσείς. Εσείς, λοιπόν, απευθυνθήκατε στην τάξη και είπατε:

- Το ρολόι κάποιου συμμαθητή σας εκλάπη κατά την διάρκεια του τρέχοντος μαθήματος. Όποιος το έκλεψε, παρακαλώ να το επιστρέψει αμέσως.

-Νιράπηκα τόσο πολύ την ταπείνωση μπροστά στους συμμαθητές μου, που δεν τόλμησα να αποκαλυφθώ. Έπειτα εσείς κλείσατε την πόρτα, μας είπατε όλους να σταθούμε όρθιοι και ότι θα ψάχνατε τις τσέπες όλων μας μέχρι να το βρείτε. Αλλά θέσατε και μια προϋπόθεση. Ότι έπρεπε να έχουμε όλοι μας τα μάτια μας κλειστά για να μην δούμε τον ένοχο. Έτσι και συνέβη. Όταν φτάσατε σε μένα, το βρήκατε στην τσέπη μου και το πήρατε.

Όμως συνεχίσατε το ψάξιμο στις τσέπες όλων και όταν τελειώσατε, μας είπατε «Και τώρα, μπορείτε να ανοίξετε τα μάτια σας όλοι. Το ρολόι βρέθηκε!» Δεν αναφέρατε ποτέ το όνομά μου στην τάξη και ούτε μου σχολιάσατε ποτέ το περιστατικό σε προσωπικό επίπεδο. Περίμενα να με επιπλήξετε και να μου κάνετε κατήχηση, αλλά τίποτε από αυτά δεν συνέβη.

Εκείνη την ημέρα σώσατε την αξιοπρέπειά μου για πάντα. Εκείνη ήταν η πιο ντροπιαστική μέρα της ζωής μου όλης και μου δώσατε με τον τρόπο σας ένα ηχηρό μάθημα.

Θυμηθήκατε τώρα το περιστατικό κ. Καθηγητά;

-Ναι, ακούγοντάς σε, τα θυμήθηκα όλα. Αλλά υπάρχει κάτι που δεν θυμάμαι και αυτό είσαι εσύ, γιατί κι εγώ είχα τα μάτια μου κλειστά όταν σας έψαχνα όλους!!!

Ηθικόν δίδαγμα: το να είσαι εκπαιδευτικός δεν είναι επάγγελμα. Είναι λειτούργημα!



The Assumption Greek School
Proudly Presents Its Annual

Greek Independence Day
Luncheon & Poems

Sunday, March 29th
in the Cultural Center following church



Join us for an afternoon of hearing our children
recite poems in honor of Greek
Independence Day along with a delicious meal

For more info, contact Tasia Triantos (562) 650-5763



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OLI MAZI
Dinner Dance



SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2020

APPETIZERS, DINNER, DANCE	PRESALE: \$50 \$30 (UNDER 12Y)	EVENT BEGINS AT 5:00 PM
PERFORMANCES, DESSERTS, AND SILENT AUCTION!	AT THE DOOR: \$60 \$40 (UNDER 12Y)	PERFORMANCES AT: 5:30, 6:30, 8:30

Reservations must be prepaid, first come, first serve
RSVP to Patty Ladas (714) 797-1535

GOYA BASKETBALL 2020

Practice every **Friday 5:00 - 10:00pm starting February 7 through April 24.**

The only 2 exceptions would be **February 14th, which is during FDF & April 17 which is Good Friday.**

Home Games

Sunday, 3/1/2020 1:30 pm - 7:00 pm vs. St. John
Sunday, 3/15/2020 1:30 pm - 7:00 pm at St. George
Sunday, 3/29/2020 1:30 pm - 7:00 pm at St. Katherine

Away Games

Saturday, 2/29/2020 10:30 am - 4:00 pm vs. St. Anthony
Sunday, 3/8/2020 1:30 pm - 7:00 pm vs. St. Nicholas
Saturday, 3/14/2020 11:00 am - 4:00 pm at St. Basil
Sunday, 3/22/2020 1:30 pm - 7:00 pm vs. St. Sophia

Playoff games

Sat. 4/4/2020 10:00 am - 8:00 pm Quarter-finals day 1
Sun. 4/5/2020 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm Quarter-finals day 2
Sat. 4/25/2020 10:00 am - 8:00 pm Semi-finals
Sun. 4/26/2020 1:00 pm - 7:00 pm Finals

In the year of the Lord - January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Office closed New Year	2	3	4
5 + Sunday before Epiphany Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10 am Carpool at Mother's Beach 11:30am Service of Immersion 12 noon Lunch to follow Sunday school	6 + Holy Theophany Orthros & Liturgy 9 am + Gr. Vespers of St. John the Baptist Anaheim 7pm	7 + Synaxis of St. John the Baptist Orthros & Liturgy In Anaheim	8 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	9	10	11 Greek Dance "Cretan Glendi"
12 + Sunday after Epiphany Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10:am Sunday school	13	14	15 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	16 + Great Vespers St. Anthony Pasadena 7pm	17	18
19 + 12th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10 am Sunday School Parish Vasilopita	20	21 P. C. Meeting 7:00 pm	22 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	23	24	25 Greek Dance "Oli Mazi" Dinner/Dance 5:00 pm
26 + 15th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10am Sunday School	27	28	29 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	30 + Three Hierarchs Orthros & Liturgy 9 am	31	

In the year of the Lord - February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 + Υπαπαντή Ιησού Χριστού Presentation of Our Lord Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10 am Sunday School Philoptochos Membership Lunch	3	4	5 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	6	7 GOYA B-ball 5pm - 10pm	8
9 + Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee (Triodion begins) Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10 am Sunday School	10	11 P. C. Meeting 7:00 pm	12 No Panagia's Little Lambs No Greek School	13 FDF - Anaheim	14 NO GOYA B-ball FDF - Anaheim	15 FDF - Anaheim
16 + Sunday of the Prodigal Son Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10 am FDF - Anaheim	17	18	19 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm-7 pm	20	21 GOYA B-ball 5pm - 10pm	22 + Saturday of Souls 9 am
23 + Judgment Sunday Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10 am Sunday School	24	25	26 Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm-7 pm	27	28 GOYA B-ball 5pm - 10pm	29 + Saturday of Souls 9 am

In the year of the Lord - March 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 + Forgiveness Sunday Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10 am Sunday School General Assembly	2 Clean Monday Compline Service & Koulouma 6 pm Great Lent starts	3	4 + Pre-sanctified Liturgy 10am	5	6 + Δ' Χαιρετισμοί 1st Salutation 7pm GOYA B-ball 5pm - 10pm	7 + Saturday of Souls 9am
8 + Της Ορθοδοξίας Sunday of Orthodoxy Orthros 8:45 am Liturgy 10 am Sunday School	9	10	11 + Pre-sanctified Liturgy 10am Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	12	13 + Β' Χαιρετισμοί 2nd Salutation 7pm GOYA B-ball 5pm - 10pm	14
15 + Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas Orthros 8:45 am, Liturgy 10am Philoptochos General meeting	16	17 P. C. Meeting 7:00 pm	18 + Pre-sanctified Liturgy 10am Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	19	20 + Γ' Χαιρετισμοί 3rd Salutation 7pm GOYA B-ball 5pm - 10pm	21
22 + Σταυροπροσκυνήσεως Sunday of Holy Cross Orthros 8:45 am, Liturgy 10am Sunday School	23	24	25 + Annunciation of the Theotokos Orthros & Liturgy 9am Panagia's Little Lambs 10:30 am - 11:30 am Greek School 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm	26	27 + Δ' Χαιρετισμοί 4th Salutation 7pm GOYA B-ball 5pm - 10pm	28
29 + Sunday of St. John Climacus Orthros 8:45 am, Liturgy 10am - Greek school Independence Day Sunday School	30	31 Seniors Christians Easter Lunch at 12 Noon at Claim Jumper				30