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**TONE 6**

**JANUARY 26, 2025**

**EOTHINON 9**

### 32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST • 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LUKE

الأحد الثاني والثلاثون بعد العنصرة • الأحد الخامس عشر من انجيل لوقا  
تذكار البارّ كسينوفونديس مع زوجته ماريا وولديه أركاديوس ويوحنا



*VENERABLE XENOPHON, HIS WIFE, MARY, AND THEIR TWO  
SONS, ARKADIOS AND JOHN, OF CONSTANTINOPLE  
VENERABLE THEODORE THE STUDITE*

Xenophon, his wife Mary and their sons Arkadios and John, were noted citizens of Constantinople in the fifth century. Despite riches and position, they distinguished themselves by simplicity of soul and goodness of heart. Wishing to give their sons John and Arkadios a more complete education, they sent them to Beirut. When the ship on which both brothers sailed became ship-wrecked, they were pitched by the waves onto shore at different places. Aggrieved at being separated, the brothers dedicated themselves to God in monasticism. For a long time the parents received no news about their children and presumed them to have perished. Xenophon, consoled his wife Mary, telling her not to sorrow but to believe that their children were watched over by the Lord.

After several years, the spouses made pilgrimage to the Holy places and at Jerusalem and there ran into their sons at different monasteries. The joyful parents gave thanks to the Lord for re-uniting the family. The monks Arkadios and John, having taken leave of their parents, went out into the wilderness, where after long ascetic toil they were glorified by gifts of wonderworking. The parents, Xenophon and Maria, having too pursued asceticism in silence and strict fasting, also received of God the gift of wonderworking.

# LITURGY VARIATIONS

## THIRD ANTIPHON: TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION (TONE 6)

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou ledest Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O

إِنَّ الْقُوَاتِ الْمَلَائِكِيَّةَ ظَهَرُوا عَلَى قَبْرِكَ الْمُؤَقَّرِ، وَالْحُرَّاسَ صَارُوا كَالْأَمْوَاتِ، وَمَرْيَمَ وَقَفَّتْ عِنْدَ الْقَبْرِ طَالِبَةً جَسَدَكَ الطَّاهِرَ، فَسَبَّيْتَ الْجَحِيمَ وَلَمْ تُجْرَبْ مِنْهُ، وَصَادَقْتَ الْبَتُولَ

### Schedule of Regular Weekly Services

**Sundays:** Matins, 9:15 AM Confession: After Saturday Vespers  
Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM During Sunday Matins  
**Saturdays:** Great Vespers, 6:00 PM Or by Appointment

*See Calendar for Fast Days and Other Weekday Services Scheduled*

*Please turn cell phones off!*



### Order for Holy Communion

Members of the Orthodox Church age seven and above must prepare for Holy Communion with a recent confession, prayer, fasting from all food and drink from midnight (unless a medical condition preclude it), being in church *before* the Epistle and Gospel readings, and being at peace with everyone.

### نظام المناولة المقدسة

يجب على أعضاء الكنيسة الأرثوذكسية من سن السابعة وما فوق، الاستعداد للمناولة المقدسة باعتراف حديث والصلاة والصوم عن جميع الأطعمة والمشروبات من منتصف الليل (ما لم تكن هناك موانع طبية)، والتواجد في الكنيسة قبل قراءات الرسالة والإنجيل، وأن يكونوا في سلام مع الجميع.

**TEACHERS THEN CHILDREN** going to church school should come down the center aisle first. (Small children may need to be assisted by their parents.)

**ALL OTHERS** should wait until an usher dismisses your row from the center aisle. Then return to your place by a side aisle for the prayers of thanksgiving and the final blessing and dismissal. Please let choir members pass when they come down for Communion.

### A Warm Welcome to Our Guests

We are glad you are worshipping with us. Please note that participation in **Holy Communion is limited to members of the Orthodox Church** in good standing, who have prepared with prayer, fasting and a recent confession.

### ترحيب حار بضيوفنا

نحن سعداء لأنكم تشاركون معنا في الصلاة. يرجى ملاحظة أن المشاركة في المناولة المقدسة تقتصر على أعضاء الكنيسة الأرثوذكسية الذين استعدوا أيضا بالصلاة والصوم والاعتراف الحديث.

For all others: though we cannot share Communion with you—since it is an expression of membership and full unity in faith—you are welcome to come forward after the dismissal, receive a blessing and partake of the blessed bread (from the large bowls). Please also sign our guest book and introduce yourself to Fr. Nabil or Fr. Andrew during coffee hour. You may inquire with them how you can become a member.

Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord,  
glory to Thee.

مَآجِئاً الحَيَاةَ. فَيَا مَنْ قَامَ مِنْ بَيْنِ الأَمَوَاتِ، يَا رَبُّ المَجْدُ  
لَكَ.

## APOLYTIKIA AFTER THE ENTRANCE

### Troparion of The Resurrection (Tone 6)

When Mary stood at Thy grave....

إِنَّ القُوَاتِ المَلَائِكِيَّةَ ظَهَرُوا عَلَى قَبْرِكَ....

### Troparion of St. Raphael (Tone 3)

Rejoice, O Father Raphael, Adornment of the  
holy Church. Thou art Champion of the true  
Faith, Seeker of the lost, Consolation of the  
oppressed, Father to orphans and Friend of  
the poor, Peacemaker and good Shepherd,  
Joy of all the Orthodox, Son of Antioch, Boast  
of America. Intercede with Christ God for us  
and for all who honor Thee.

يَا مُحَارِباً عَنِ الإِيمَانِ، وَمُعَزِّباً مَنْ فِي الأَحْزَانِ، وَأَبَا الأَيْتَامِ،  
وَصَدِيقَ الفُقَرَاءِ. الرَّاعِي الصَّالِحَ المِفْتَاحَ الضَّالِّينَ، يَا رَفَائِيلُ،  
يَا فَخْرَ الأَرْتُوذُكْسِيِّينَ. ابْنِ أَنْطَاكِيَا، وَفَخْرَ أَمِيرِكَا ابْتِهَلِ إِلَى  
المِيسِيحِ مِنْ أَجْلِ مُكْرَمِيكَ.

### Troparion of St. Nicholas (Tone 4)

The verity of your actions revealed you to  
your flock, a rule of faith, an icon of mild-  
ness, and teacher of abstinence, O Father  
Bishop Nicholas; wherefore by humility you  
have achieved exaltation and by poverty  
richness. Intercede with Christ our God to  
save our souls.

لَقَدْ أَظْهَرْتَكَ أفعالاً الحَقِّ لِرَعِيَّتِكَ قَانُونَاً للإِيمَانِ، وَصُورَةً  
لِلوَدَاعَةِ، وَمُعَلِّماً لِلإِمْسَاكِ، أَيُّهَا الأَبُ وَرئيسُ الكَهَنَةِ  
نِيقُولَاوسَ. فَلِذَلِكَ أَحْرَزْتَ بالتَّوَاضُّعِ الرِّفْعَةَ، وَبِالمِسْكِنَةِ  
الغِنَى. فَتَشَفَّعْ إِلَى المِيسِيحِ الإِلَهِ أَنْ يُخَلِّصَ نَفوسَنَا.

### Kontakion of the Meeting of the Lord (Tone 1)

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst  
sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet,  
didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also  
come to save us, preserve Thy fold in wars,  
and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for  
Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

أَيُّهَا المِيسِيحُ الإِلَهِي، يَا مَنْ بِمَوْلِدِهِ قَدَّسَ المُسْتَوْدَعَ البَتُولِي،  
وَبَارَكَ يَدَيْ سِمْعَانَ كَمَا لاقَ، وَأَدْرَكْنَا الآنَ وَخَلَّصْنَا؛ إِحْفَظْ  
رَعِيَّتَكَ بِسَلَامٍ فِي الحُرُوبِ، وَأَيِّدِ المُلُوكَ الَّذِينَ أَحْبَبْتَهُمْ، بِمَا  
أَنْتَ وَحْدَكَ مُحِبٌّ لِلبَشَرِ.

## THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

### Prokeimenon (Psalm 27.9, 1 LXX; Tone 6)

O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance.

Verse: To You, O Lord, I cry, O my God.

### From the 1<sup>st</sup> Epistle of St. Paul to Timothy (4.9-15; 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost)

TIMOTHY, MY SON, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, Who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Until I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties; devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

### Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (19.1-10; 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke)

AT THAT TIME, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And

بروكيمنون (مزمو ٢٧، ٩، ١ سيع.؛ اللحن ٦)

خَلِّصْ يَا رَبُّ شَعْبَكَ وَبَارِكْ مِيرَاثَكَ.

إِلَيْكَ يَا رَبُّ أَصْرُحْ، إِلَهِي.

فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولَسِ الْأُولَى إِلَى تِيموثَاوَسِ  
(١٥-٤، ٩؛ الْأَحَدِ الثَّانِي وَالثَّلَاثُونَ بَعْدَ الْعِنَصْرَةِ)

يَا وَلَدِي تِيموثَاوَسُ، صَادِقَةٌ هِيَ الْكَلِمَةُ وَجَدِيرَةٌ بِكُلِّ قَبُولٍ  
فَيَأْتِي هَذَا نَتَعَبُ وَنُعَيِّرُ، لِأَنَّ أَلْقَيْنَا رِجَاءَنَا عَلَى اللَّهِ الْحَيِّ الَّذِي  
هُوَ مُخَلِّصُ النَّاسِ أَجْمَعِينَ، وَلَا سِيَّما الْمُؤْمِنِينَ. فَوَصِّ بِهَذَا  
وَعَلِّمْ بِهِ. لَا يَسْتَهِنَنَّ أَحَدٌ بِفَتْوَتِكَ، بَلْ كُنْ مِثَالًا لِلْمُؤْمِنِينَ فِي  
الْكَلَامِ وَالتَّصَرُّفِ وَالمُحِبَّةِ وَالإِيمَانِ وَالعَفَافِ. وَاطْبَعْ عَلَى  
الْقِرَاءَةِ إِلَى حِينِ قُدُومِي، وَعَلَى الوَعْظِ وَالتَّلْعِيمِ، وَلَا تُهْمِلِ  
المُوهَبَةَ الَّتِي فِيكَ، الَّتِي أُوتِيَتْهَا بُنْيُوتٌ، بِوَضْعِ أَيْدِي الكَهَنَةِ\*  
تَأْمَلْ فِي ذَلِكَ وَكُنْ عَلَيْهِ عَاكِفًا لِيَكُونَ تَقْدُّمُكَ ظَاهِرًا فِي كُلِّ  
شَيْءٍ.

مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ لُوقَا الإِنْجِيلِيِّ البَشِيرِ وَالتَّلْمِيذِ الطَّاهِرِ  
(١٩، ١-١٠؛ الْأَحَدِ الخَامِسِ عَشَرَ)

فِي ذَلِكَ الزَّمَانِ، فِيمَا يَسُوعُ مُجْتَازًا فِي أَرِيحَا، إِذَا بِرَجُلٍ اسْمُهُ زَكَرَّيَّا  
كَانَ رَئِيسًا عَلَى العَشَّارِينَ، وَكَانَ غَنِيًّا وَكَانَ يَلْتَمِسُ أَنْ يَرَى  
يَسُوعَ مِنْ هُوَ، فَلَمْ يَكُنْ يَسْتَطِيعُ مِنَ الْجَمْعِ لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ قَصِيرَ  
القَامَةِ فَتَقَدَّمَ مُسْرِعًا، وَصَعِدَ إِلَى جُمَيْزَةٍ لِيَنْظُرَهُ، لِأَنَّهُ كَانَ  
مُزْمِعًا أَنْ يَجْتَازَ بِهَا فَلَمَّا انْتَهَى يَسُوعُ إِلَى المَوْضِعِ، رَفَعَ طَرْفَهُ  
فَرَأَهُ، فَقَالَ لَهُ: يَا زَكَرَّيَّا اسْرِعْ انزِلْ، فَالْيَوْمَ يَنْبَغِي لِي أَنْ أَمْكُثَ  
فِي بَيْتِكَ فَأَسْرِعْ وَانزِلْ وَقَبِّلْهُ فَرِحًا\* فَلَمَّا رَأَى الْجَمِيعُ ذَلِكَ

when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

تَدَّعَرُوا قَائِلِينَ: إِنَّهُ دَخَلَ لِيَحِلَّ عِنْدَ رَجُلٍ خَاطِيٍّ. "فَوَقَّفَ رَبُّكَ  
 وَقَالَ لِيَسُوعَ: هَاءَنْذَا، يَا رَبُّ، أُعْطِي الْمَسَاكِينَ نِصْفَ  
 أَمْوَالِي. وَإِنْ كُنْتُ قَدْ غَبَنْتُ أَحَدًا فِي شَيْءٍ، أُرُدُّ أَرْبَعَةَ  
 أَضْعَافٍ فَقَالَ لَهُ يَسُوعُ: الْيَوْمَ قَدْ حَصَلَ الْخَلَاصُ لِهَذَا الْبَيْتِ  
 لِأَنَّهُ هُوَ أَيْضًا ابْنُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ لِأَنَّ ابْنَ الْبَشَرِ إِنَّمَا آتَى لِيَطْلُبَ  
 وَيُخَلِّصَ مَا قَدْ هَلَكَ.



## HOLY OBLATIONS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Offered by	For the Health of	In Memory of
<b>Lucy Hanna, Fr. Nabil and Kh. Elaine Hanna, Suzy and Joseph Hadeed and Mary and Kyle Thompson</b>	Their <b>children and grandchildren</b> , brother-in-law/uncle <b>Fr. Augustinos</b> Hanna and cousin <b>Atef Iskander</b>	<b>Lotfy</b> Hanna (husband/father, 5-year memorial), <b>Raouf</b> Hanna (brother-in-law/uncle, 40-day memorial) and <b>Georgiann</b> Jacobson (Kh. Elaine's cousin, 3/9-day memorial)
<b>Richard and Joyce Ayoob</b>	<b>Alice</b> Kristine Ayoob and <b>Marianne</b> Joyce Ayoob (on the occasion of their baptism) and their godparents <b>Elizabeth</b> and <b>Steven</b> Ayoob and <b>Mark</b> and <b>Jennifer</b> Valentino	
The <b>Sadd family</b>		<b>John L Sadd Sr</b> (38 years)
<b>George, Mariam, Mark, Antonio and Hend Bshara</b>		
<b>Ehab, Rania, Sami, Selena and Anthony Dahabreh</b>		<b>Hani</b> Tadros (Rania's father) and <b>Nawal</b> Hawatmeh Dahabreh (Ehab's mother)

To offer Holy Oblations and Memorials please use the form at <https://stnicholasla.com/makeaprayrequest> or call the Cathedral office by Wednesday.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PLEASE JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE LITURGY

Following the dismissal and announcements, come forward for a blessing, then exit via the south (right side/chapel area) doors, and join us in the Heritage Ballroom for refreshments.



### Hamburger Bar Today



The Ladies of St. Nicholas Cathedral are putting on their annual Hamburger Bar for a good cause.

**Adults \$10 • Children \$5**

*All you can eat!*

That's a deal! And all proceeds will go toward the Antiochian Women's National Project of raising funds to establish an Endowment Fund for widowed clergy wives.

Any additional donations you care to make will be gratefully accepted for this good cause. See Georgette Malouf. Credit cards, ApplePay, GooglePay, etc. accepted.

### Upcoming Coffee Hour Schedule

Feb. 2	Amaany Samaan and family	Mar. 2	OPEN
Feb. 9	The Andrews, Hanna and Shalhoub families	Mar. 9	OPEN
Feb. 16	John Nahas family	Mar. 16	OPEN
Feb. 23	Lunch and General Assembly		

***Please consider sponsoring a Coffee Hour after Liturgy.*** The time of fellowship after the Divine Liturgy is integral to the life of our community. It provides an opportunity for visitors to be welcomed and for the rest of us to enjoy visiting with our church family members. Contact Joujou George at (562) 522-1322 or [ginageorge@verizon.net](mailto:ginageorge@verizon.net) to reserve a Sunday.

A colorful poster for the Antiochian Women 2025 Project. The top text reads 'ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN 2025 PROJECT FORTIFY THE Endowment Fund'. Below this is an illustration of two women, one with dark hair and one with white hair, embracing and holding a red flower. The text 'FOR OUR BELOVED Widowed Clergy Wives' is written in a mix of fonts. On the right, a thermometer graphic shows a goal of \$1,000,000 and a current amount of \$395,712 for 2024. At the bottom, it says 'NORTH AMERICAN BOARD - ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN WOMEN OF NORTH AMERICA'.

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## THIS IS STEWARDSHIP EDUCATION MONTH

Over the course of this month, we are reflecting on the question of what should be our fitting response to the Lord, Who has saved us and continues to work in our lives.



At the end of Liturgy today, Richard Ayoob will help us in this reflection by offering a testimonial to his faith and life in the Church.

***“With every gift show a cheerful face,  
and dedicate your tithe with gladness.” (Sirach 35.9)***

**كُنْ بِشَوْشَ الْوَجْهِ فِي كُلِّ عَطِيَّةٍ،  
وَكَرِّسْ لِلرَّبِّ عَشْرَ غَلَالِكَ بِفَرَحٍ (سيراخ ٣٥،٩)**



### Stewardship Sunday: Renewing our Commitment to the Lord

**Regular Stewardship Pledge for 2025**  
2001 W. 3rd Street • Los Angeles, CA 90007

1. For pledges to St. Nicholas Cathedral, Orthodox Cathedral of Los Angeles, California, all contributions must first appear in the Stewardship Calendar from our God as a token of thanksgiving and in support for St. Nicholas Cathedral.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Renew my pledge at the same level as last year  
 Increase my pledge by  5%  10%  15%  20%  
 Start with a fresh pledge of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per  week  month  year

Giving by Check/Cash/Check, etc.  
 Giving by Bank Draft/Credit Card (Please include church of residence)  
 Giving by Credit/Debit Card  Money Order  Visa  Discover

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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**We will conclude Sunday, February 2, Stewardship Sunday at the Cathedral this year.** That is the day we ask all to recommit their faith by pledging to be part of God’s work through a monetary commitment.

## OFFICIAL NOTICE OF ANNUAL CATHEDRAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

**Our annual general assembly will be held after Liturgy on Sunday, February 23, 2025, immediately after the Liturgy and lunch.**

Reports from the organizations and financial reports are being compiled in a packet and will be made available via a download link to be emailed in advance of the meeting. A few paper copies will also be printed and made available for those who desire them. (If you are an organization head or treasurer, please submit your report to the Cathedral office by February 2.)

If you would like to nominate someone, or you are possibly interested in serving God through the Cathedral Council yourself, please contact Lamia Qafaiti (323-597-7332), qafaiti@yahoo.com, chairman of our nominations committee, by February 9.

Voting members at the Annual Meeting are comprised of all adult members of the Orthodox Church, who are in good spiritual standing at St. Nicholas Cathedral and whose pledges and contributions are current through 2024. *Note that “nominations from the floor” means that voting members can make nominations, but they must still go through the committee, prior to the meeting to confirm they meet basic eligibility requirements: candidates must be in good spiritual standing, have made and fulfilled their stewardship pledge, be at least 18 years of age and members of the Cathedral for at least one year. Candidates must have accepted nomination and signed the Archdiocese standard affirmation form.*

St. Nicholas LA Teen SOYO

# Bowling Social

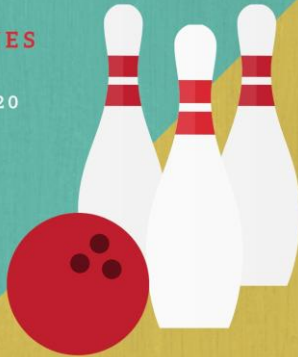
Sunday, January 26 after Liturgy

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3255 W 4TH ST.  
LOS ANGELES, 90020



SCAN TO RSVP!



St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Cathedral

**JANUARY 26**

Preschool - Father Nabil  
Grades 1&2 - Father Andrew

**FEBRUARY 9**

Grades 3&4 - Father Nabil  
Grades 5&6 - Father Andrew

**MARCH 2**

Junior High - Father Nabil  
High School - Father Andrew

**Ask Abouna Sessions are an opportunity for students in each Sunday school grade to engage directly with our priests!**

After lessons have been taught, our priests will visit each classroom to answer questions that the children may have, whether related to the lessons they've been learning or any other curiosities they have about the faith.

## GOD BLESS YOUR HOME AND BLESS YOU!

After the Twelve Days of Christmas, we celebrate the Feast of Epiphany, which includes taking the blessed water to the homes of all our parishioners.

Kindly return the coupon below to request your house blessing. Fr. Nabil will take all the requests and group them geographically and assign them to one of his assistants or to himself. We will let you know in advance when a priest will be coming. (We would like to do our best to see as many as possible before Lent, which will start March 3).



### House Blessing Scheduling Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Check ALL Possible Days:  Sun  Mon  Tue  Wed  Thu  Fri  Sat

Check ALL Possible Times:  Mornings  Afternoons  Evenings

Do not schedule me for a house blessing at this time. I will call Father when I'm ready.

***Please place in tray in church, or mail back as soon as possible.***



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**St. Michael Antiochian Orthodox Church**  
 16643 Vanowen St. Van Nuys, CA 91406

**Saturday February 1, 2025 6:00 PM**

**Free Will Donation**

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28: PIZZA AND MOVIE NIGHT AT THE CATHEDRAL

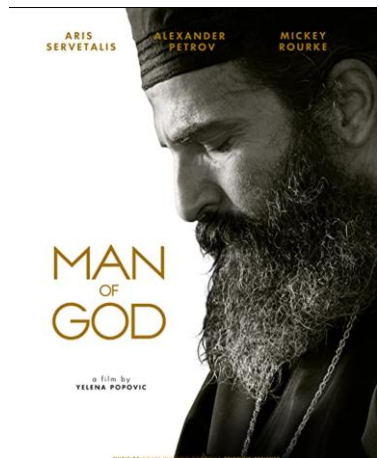
That's Friday of Cheesefare week, so let's have some cheese pizza, cheesecake, etc., together!

### 6:30 pm Friday, Feb. 28: Pizza and Movie

The movie will be *Man of God* about St. Nektarios, the great Saint of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Note that the bus trip to the St. Nektarios Shrine in Covina has been tentatively rescheduled for Saturday, March 15. More details will be coming soon, but seeing the movie (or seeing it again) will be good preparation.

*Organized by the Ladies' Society for men, women and the whole family.*



## IOCC Emergency Response Update

### Los Angeles Wildfires

On January 7, a wildfire was ignited in the Pacific Palisades area of Los Angeles that grew into a massive fire which so far has burned more than 23,000 acres. Another fire near Pasadena also ignited on Tuesday, burning at least 14,000 acres. Other fires have also broken out in the region, though their damage has been less significant thus far.



**As of now, we are aware that four St. Nicholas families have lost their homes on account of the wildfires. Another lost a free-standing garage. Some of our families are still not able to return to their homes on account of still not having power, water or gas. Some homes that are still standing will need extensive cleaning from smoke and soot.**

We have already taken care of the immediate needs of Cathedral families who lost their homes. **Please let us know of anyone who still needs help.** In the meantime, we are concentrating our work now on the needs of the greater community.

Fr. Nabil spoke with Metropolitan Saba, who called to check on us, and he blessed that our work and that of churches from around the Archdiocese be directed through IOCC. We are working closely with IOCC, FOCUS and St. Sophia Cathedral, which has become the 'command center' for the IOCC relief operation. We are also working with FEMA and other government agencies, who have not yet figured out what they will do for longer-term housing of the displaced, who cannot continue to stay in hotels or in tight quarters with relatives for long.

**How You Can Help: Donate Needed Items:** *You can bring them either to St. Nicholas (office hours and Sundays) or St. Sophia Cathedral (1324 S. Normandie Ave, 9-5, M-F)*

- Non-perishable food
- New Clothing
- Toiletries
- Blankets
- Baby supplies (diapers, formula, etc.)

**Cash donations** are the most efficient way to get aid delivered at this point. You can channel them either through St. Nicholas (earmarked "Fire Relief") or IOCC ([www.iocc.org](http://www.iocc.org)).

This will need to be a sustained, long-term effort, as so many families have lost everything, and it will take years to rebuild homes, schools, churches, grocery stores, etc. What makes matters worse is that many families had their homeowners' insurance canceled recently. IOCC is looking to help rebuild homes *à la* Habitat for Humanity.



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## WORSHIP: MEANING TO THE RHYTHMS OF OUR LIFE

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The St. Nicholas **Young Adult Bible Study** continues every other Monday. We're starting a new series on understanding the Liturgy tomorrow.

**The January 27 session will be online at 7 pm.** Find the link to join the discussion in our Young Adult GroupMe chat, or ask Fr. Nabil, and he'll text or email it to you. We will explore:

Jan. 27: What Is worship, and Why We Do It

Feb. 10: The Eucharist

Feb. 24: The Liturgy of Time

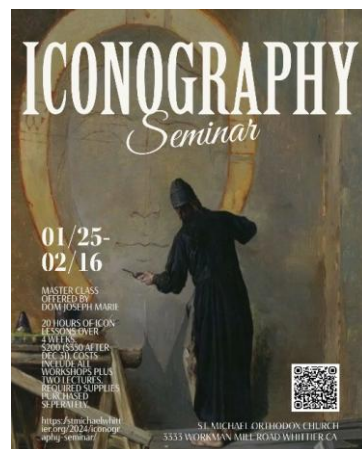
Mar. 10: Sharing the Light

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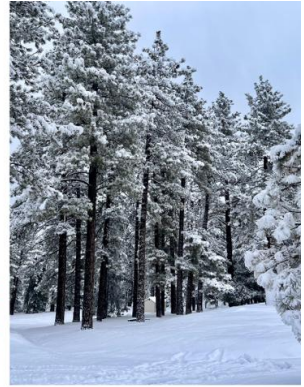
## MASTER CLASS IN ICONOGRAPHY

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St. Michael Antiochian Orthodox Church in Whittier is hosting an Iconography Master Class January 25 through February 15. Fr. Joseph-Marie Brown, an Orthodox monk and blessed iconographer, will offer the classes. They will meet for 20 hours on four Saturdays and two Wednesdays. He will also offer two different lectures on "The Theology of Icons" on the afternoons of February 2 and February 16. More information for these events is located at: <https://stmichaelwhittier.org/2024/iconography-seminar/>



Dom Joseph-Marie Brown has been painting icons since 1989. Icons by his hand can be found in England, Russia, Mexico, Australia, Italy, and in North America. Currently he is painting the interior of Ladyminster Monastery, and recently completed St. Michael Orthodox Church in Whittier, California.



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# ST NICHOLAS LENTEN FAMILY CAMP

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**MARCH 29-30, 2025**  
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 Register:



Register at: <https://form.jotform.com/250086230570146>

SATURDAY

11:00AM Check In and Rooming Assignments  
 12:00PM Lunch  
 1:00PM Workshop  
 2:30PM Games, Sports, Crafts (Snow??)  
 5:00PM Vespers  
 6:00PM Dinner  
 7:00PM Ask Abouna + Evening Program

SUNDAY

8:30AM Orthros  
 9:30AM Divine Liturgy  
 11:00AM Brunch  
 12:00PM Pack, Clean and Depart Camp

For more information email [frandrewa@stnicholasla.org](mailto:frandrewa@stnicholasla.org)

# ST LUKE'S GOLF CLASSIC

ALTA VISTA COUNTRY CLUB  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2025

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 9:00AM  
SHOT GUN AT 11:00AM  
DINNER TO FOLLOW 4:30

## Golf Packages

- **Single Golfer \$250:** Includes green fees, breakfast burrito, one drink ticket, and dinner
  - **Foursome \$900:** Includes 4 single golfer packages
  - **Dinner (only) \$75:** Includes one drink ticket and meal
- \*On course beverages available (water and gatorade) and raffle opportunities will be available\*

## Sponsorship Opportunities

- **Platinum \$5,000:** Includes foursome golf package and four additional dinner tickets, reserved seating, four tee signs, company logo displayed on tournament website, and recognition during dinner.
- **Gold \$2,500:** Includes foursome golf package and four additional dinner tickets, reserved seating, two tee signs, company logo displayed on tournament website, and additional recognition during dinner.
- **Silver \$1,500:** Includes foursome golf package, a tee sign, and additional recognition.
- **Tee sponsorship \$500:** based on availability first come first serve

## TO REGISTER

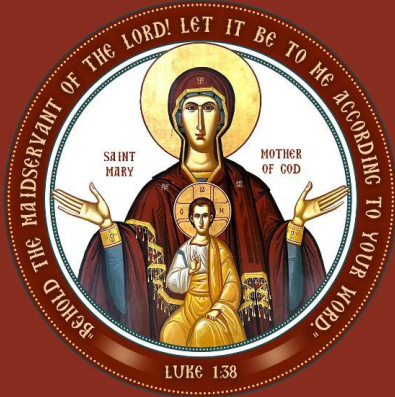
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OR SCAN QR CODE



## FOR QUESTIONS

CONTACT LUCAS KINAN (714) 296-5783 OR  
EMAIL [STLUKEGOLFLCLASSIC@GMAIL.COM](mailto:STLUKEGOLFLCLASSIC@GMAIL.COM)





# DIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES & THE WEST PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE

JUNE 25 - 29, 2025

HOSTED BY:  
ST. NICHOLAS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX  
CHURCH, SAN FRANCISCO

[WWW.LAPLC.ORG](http://WWW.LAPLC.ORG)

## SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS:

### THURSDAY JUNE 26

- Morning and Afternoon Workshops
- Order of St. Ignatius Reception
- Young Adult Dinner
- Taco Thursday Welcome Reception

### FRIDAY JUNE 27

- Organization Meetings
- Bible Bowl
- Ice Cream Social & Teen Dance  
"Candyland" Theme

### SATURDAY JUNE 28

- Young Adult Pilgrimage to Holy  
Virgin Mary Russian Cathedral
- Awards Brunch
- Oratorical & Choir Festival
- Middle Eastern Dinner and Dance  
(Hafli)

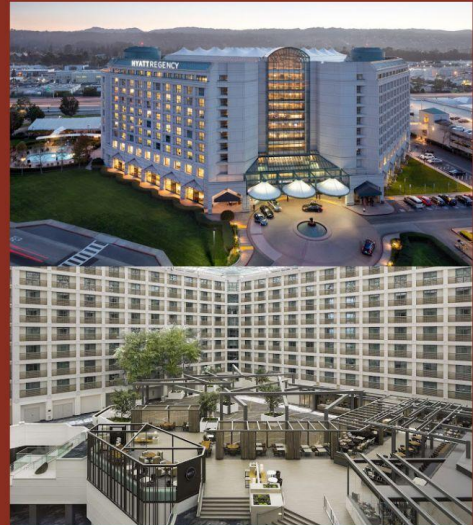
### SUNDAY JUNE 29

- Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

Visit our website for more information

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outlets



## CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST

*Please include in your daily prayers the following—those struggling with acute illness and those newly departed this life—from our parishioners and those for whom they have requested our prayers.*

### LIVING

**Fr. Joseph** Abud, friend of Fr. Nabil and Kh. Elaine, 3/4  
**Rosario** Elias, hospital, 2/24  
**Marta** Chala, rehab., 2/22  
**Georgette** Malouf, home, 2/20  
**Rose** Kakish, home, 2/17  
**Samira** El-Shammas, hospital, 2/14  
**Lyman** Parrigin, hospital, 2/13  
**Dominique** Saliano, home, 2/12  
**Dorothy** Nicholas, home, 1/31  
**Leroy** Simon, hospital, 1/30  
**Jason** Perkins, home, 1/30  
**Colin** Gantus, John and JoAnn's grandson, 3/3  
**Jeanette** Dawn Reedy, mother of Dante Solano, 2/28  
**Atef** Iskander, cousin of Lucy Hanna, 2/28  
**Johanna** Olson, Fr. Paul's stepmother, 2/12  
**Elham** Alloush, mother of Arij Alchammas, 1/30  
**Maryanne** Haddad, cousin of Dale Nicola, 1/28  
**All those displaced by the fires in our area, frontline workers, community leaders and all who are providing aid**  
**All those suffering from illness, violence and want in the Middle East, Ukraine and throughout the world**

### DEPARTED

**George** Bitar, 2/6  
**Beyhan** Vartanyan, aunt of Ferah Dauzat, 2/13  
**Hany** Youhanna, cousin of Lucy Hanna, 2/13  
**Nun Miriam** Mark, cousin of Elie Constantine, 2/9  
**Jamil** Nassif, former member of the Cathedral, 1/30  
**Jerry** Nassif, former member of the Cathedral, 1/30  
**Victims of the fires in our area**  
**Victims of the Middle East and Ukraine conflicts and of violence everywhere**

## ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL CALENDAR

### January 2025

<b>Sun. 26</b>	<b>Spanish Mission Liturgy</b> , 7:45 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fellowship and Bible Study in Spanish</li> </ul> <b>Matins</b> , 9:15 am <b>Divine Liturgy</b> , 10:30 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Church School</li> <li>• Coffee Hour: Hamburger Bar</li> <li>• Teen SOYO Bowling outing</li> </ul>
<b>Mon. 27</b>	<b>Young Adult Bible Study</b> , 7 pm ONLINE
<b>Tue. 28</b>	<b>Choir dinner and practice</b> , 6:30 pm
<b>Wed. 29</b>	<b>Bereavement Group</b> online meeting, 7 pm

### February 2025

<b>Sat. 1</b>	<b>Great Vespers and Confessions</b> , 6 pm
<b>Sun. 2</b>	<b>Great Feast of the Meeting of the Lord</b> <b>Matins</b> , 9:00 am <b>Divine Liturgy</b> , 10:30 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation of Boys and Young Men</li> <li>• Church School</li> <li>• Coffee Hour</li> </ul>
<b>Tue. 4</b>	<b>Church School</b> staff meeting, 7 pm online
<b>Wed. 5</b>	<b>Bereavement Group</b> online meeting, 7 pm
<b>Sat. 8</b>	<b>FOCUS</b> food and clothing distribution, 9 am <b>Great Vespers</b> , 4:30 pm <b>Sweetheart Ball</b> , 6 pm Hilton Universal City
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