

SAINT SOPHIA

*Axiologa*

*"worth mentioning"*



**FEBRUARY 28, 2021**

*Sunday of the Prodigal Son*

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*When you write your will or update it, won't you please remember Saint Sophia Cathedral? Such a gift will live forever as our church ministers to our spiritual needs. It's an investment in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*

# Memorials

*Among the spirits of the righteous perfected in faith, give rest,  
O Savior to the souls of your servants...*

*Ero Cosfol (7 years)*

*Vladimír (6 years)*

*Panayiota Zagorianos*

*George Baramily (40 days)*

*Anthony (Tony) Mellos  
(3 years)*

*Nicola Baramily (31 years)  
Chryssoula Anton*

*Nickolas Edwards (1 year)*

## ALTAR CANDLES

Offered in loving memory of Anthony Mellos by Donna Mellos and their son Anthony Tyler.

## ALTAR TABLE CANDLES

Offered in loving memory of Anthony Mellos by Donna Mellos and their son Anthony Tyler.

## SOLEA CANDLES

Offered in loving memory of George Baramily by his mother Fadia Baramily, and brother Ramy Baramily, and sister Gina Baramily.

## PERPETUAL CANDLES

Offered in loving memory of Ero Cosfol from her son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren.

Offered in loving memory of Panayiota "Bertha" Zagorianos by her daughters Marsha and Kathy Zagorianos.

Offered in loving memory of Nickolas Edwards by his family Virginia and Brent Noyes, Alexis and Kellie.



## **BIBLE STUDIES**

We hope to have indoor bible studies when permitted but for the time being please join our Bible Study, which, will be conducted online via Zoom Video Conferencing every Tuesday. This, virtual, class will be interactive which allows for questions and answers during the study. A link to join the Zoom class will be emailed out prior to that date. Please share the link below to anyone who wishes to subscribe to our weekly emails. Thank you.

<https://stsophia.us4.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=05212a9d99d6591e24e582cff&id=1da80c474c>

## **SAINT SOPHIA CATHEDRAL SPEAKS: COME RECEIVE THE LIGHT**

We can “elect” to join Fr. John Bakas for a 15-minute study of New Testament Scripture, every Tuesday at 7 pm. Join us on Saint Sophia's Facebook and YouTube pages. Look for "Saint Sophia Speaks: Come Receive the Light" on your **favorite podcast network**, and tune in during your daily commute or workout.

<https://www.facebook.com/StSophiaLA>

<https://www.youtube.com/c/StSophiaOrg>



## OUTDOOR DIVINE LITURGY

The Los Angeles County Health Department has allowed houses of worship to offer faith-based services both indoors and outdoors with **mandatory physical distancing and face coverings over both the nose and mouth that must be worn at all times while on site both inside the Cathedral and outside in the parking lot.** Divine Liturgy will take place inside the church. Seats will be available inside and outside the cathedral. Only the number of Liturgy attendees that can be accommodated with proper distancing in the marked lines on the pews will be allowed inside the church. **MASKS ARE MANDATORY** inside and outside the parking lot. No one will be allowed on the Saint Sophia property without a mask. If anyone removes their mask outside of taking the Holy Communion, they will be requested to leave and escorted outside the premises.

### Service Time Change

**9:00 am Orthros**

**9:45 am Memorial**

**10:00 am Divine Liturgy**

We will continue live-streaming services on Facebook. Join us, as once again we gather to worship, keeping of course social distancing of at least 6 ft apart. I look forward to seeing you.

**The following guidelines and regulations, that we must comply with, are for the health and safety of all. Thank you.**

- Upon arrival at Saint Sophia, everyone must check in by providing their name and phone number at a welcoming table.
- Face masks are required. (No masks for children under the age of 2 and parental supervision required for children 3-8)

- Anyone who is sick, has been sick or has been around someone who has been sick or who has traveled outside of the state during the past 2 weeks, as well as anyone who is exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19, or who have family members who are ill, should stay home.
- Congregants/visitors will be temperature screened, with non-contact (without touching) thermometers upon arrival as we are required to conduct these non-contact temperature checks by the Health Department.
- We must, respectfully, maintain physical, social, distancing of six feet or more between congregants/visitors from different households when standing or seated.
- Saint Sophia will have hand sanitizer available to use upon arrival and throughout your visit.

God Bless, V. Rev. Fr. John S. Bakas, Dean





THE DEPARTURE OF THE SOUL

*March 6, 13 & 20*

**(return to an usher or email [secretary@saintsophia.org](mailto:secretary@saintsophia.org))**

*Memory Eternal*

*“Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace, and may their memory be eternal. Amen.”*




## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

**ELECTION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** This is an ELECTION year for the Board of Directors. Please see the notice in the bulletin should you wish to run! We will be sending ballots out in the mail to eligible members. A return envelope will be enclosed so you may easily return the ballot. We will be mailing out the ballots on May 1. Stay tuned for further details as this process continues to be worked out.

Anyone wishing to run for the Board of Directors needs to send a note to Virginia no later than April 12 in order to be placed on the ballot! Use email: [Ginoyes@aol.com](mailto:Ginoyes@aol.com) to state your intent to run for the Board. If you do not let us know by April 12 you will not be on the ballot.

**MOTHER'S DAY:** Our Mother's Day plans are going to move to Orange County because we cannot be sure the City of Los Angeles will let us have our event without cancelling it. We will be honoring JUDITH CHRISTOPOULOS, our Mother of the Year. The details are currently being worked out. We are planning a lovely event and will let you know as soon as plans are finalized. Hopefully by summer many people will have received a Covid vaccine and things will start to improve! Please join us and have some fun outside as we honor Judie! More details will be coming next month.

**DEBUTANTE BALL 2021:** Plans are underway for the SAINT SOPHIA PHILOPTOCHOS DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION BALL to be held on Friday, September 3, 2021 at the Four Seasons Beverly Wilshire Hotel. Interested young ladies who will be high school juniors (aged 16) and older should contact the Presentation Ball Chair, Trish Mentas (562) 472.7485 or email

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## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

to: [saintsophiadebball@gmail.com](mailto:saintsophiadebball@gmail.com). An orientation tea will be held at the Saint Sophia Cathedral Huffington Center on Sunday, May 22, 2021 by reservation. These dates are subject to change.

MEMBERSHIP 2021: Our membership drive as started! The mailings are out from our membership chairman Maria Toczek. Membership is important not only to our chapter but also to the Metropolis and National Boards. Maybe you would like to join one of the committees for an upcoming event. PLEASE join us and bring some new ideas to Philoptochos. We'd love to meet you.

Virginia Noyes and the Board of Directors

GOD is *Good,*  
*all* the time.

*Sunday, April 25*



## *St. Sophia Easter Bake Sale*

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Tsourekia, Baklava,  
Koulourakia, Melomakarona,  
Kourambiedes



### **Pre-Order ONLY**

*Must be made by Tuesday, 4/20/2021*

*Orders will be pre-packaged and ready for pick up from 10am-1pm on Sunday, 4/25/2021.*

*Please bring cash or check only.*

**Call Eleni at (310) 420-8374 to order.**

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PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ST. SOPHIA DANCE PROGRAM

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# SAINT SOPHIA RESIDENCES

## FOR LEASE

Lovely and spacious

2 bedroom/2 bath and 3 bedroom/2 bath

Apartments are now available at the beautifully maintained building located directly behind Saint Sophia Cathedral at

1425 South Mariposa Avenue

Los Angeles

If you are 55 or older and an Orthodox Christian, come check out these apartments while they are still available and join a friendly Orthodox community!

2 bedroom/2 bath-\$1400

3 bedroom/2 bath-\$1800














Please call Louis Pappas 310-902-0852

**Mission Statement:**  
**Keep, Practice and Proclaim the Orthodox Christian Faith**

1. Sanctify and Enhance the Life of the Faithful
2. Proclaim and Teach the Gospel of Jesus Christ
3. Add to the Number of the Faithful through Outreach and Evangelism

# Orthodox Calendar

## MARCH 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	✝ 3	4	✝ 5	6 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of Souls 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
7  Judgment Sunday 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	 8	 9  Bible Studies Class 11 am	 10	 11	 12	 13  2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday of Souls 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
 14  Forgiveness Sunday 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	✝ 15  Clean Monday 10:00 am Compline Service	✝ 16  Bible Studies Class 11 am	✝ 17  Presanctified Liturgy 7 pm	✝ 18	✝ 19  Presanctified Liturgy 9:00 am  Salutations of the Theotokos 7 pm	 20  Miracle of Kollyva 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
 21  Sunday of Orthodox 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	22	23  Bible Studies Class 11 am	 24  Great Vespers for the Annunciation 7 pm	25  Feast of the Annunciation 9 am Orthros 10 am Divine Liturgy	✝ 26  Presanctified Liturgy 9 am  Salutations to the Theotokos 7 pm	27
28  Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Studies	29	✝ 30  Bible Studies Class 11 am	31	✝		
		Strict Fast  ✝	Fish Allowed  	Wine and Oil Allowed  	Dairy, Eggs, and Fish Allowed  	Fast Free