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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.



Help Us Support the Magnolia Elementary School Pandas!



WHAT: Hamburger Luncheon

WHERE: Saint Sophia Cathedral Huffington Center

WHEN: Sunday, August 7 after the Divine Liturgy

COST: Your donation--school supplies or money is the cost of admission

As part of the national "Operation Classroom" initiative of Philoptochos, our Saint Sophia chapter is again supporting Magnolia Avenue Elementary School, which has been serving students in our Pico-Union neighborhood since 1904. Magnolia's Pandas are in need of these supplies:

- **Backpacks for girls and boys (MOST NEEDED)**
- **No. 2 pencils - regular or mechanical**
- **Erasers - pink or pencil top**
- **Kids scissors (blunt tip)**
- **Washable markers**
- **Notebooks - wide ruled**
- **Crayons**
- **Colored pencils**
- **Glue sticks**
- **Handwriting practice paper**

Please bring donated items to the luncheon on August 7 or to church any day before then.

We will accept monetary donations in lieu of school supplies.

Make checks payable to:

"Greek Orthodox Philoptochos Society"
(please write "Magnolia" in the memo)

Mail to:

Saint Sophia Philoptochos

1324 S. Normandie Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90006

For more information contact Olga Jordan at
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Your generosity makes all the difference. Thank you!

Day of Remembrance

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco

**The Honorary Consul General of Cyprus
in Los Angeles
Andreas Kyprianides**

and

The American Hellenic Council

Invite you to remember

**the 48th Anniversary of the Turkish Invasion of Cyprus
(July 20, 1974—July 17, 2022)**

on Sunday, July 17, 2022

Metropolitan Gerasimos also asks each parish in his
Metropolis of San Francisco
to offer Memorial Services on Sunday, July 17, whether in church or
worshipping virtually, in remembrance
of those who perished during the Turkish Invasion.

Let us all reflect on the tragic events of that illegal and brutal
act of aggression that still plague the Republic of Cyprus today,
and honor the memory of those who lost their lives
in defense of their country. We must never forget!

**For those who sacrificed so much,
we must continue to seek justice for Cyprus.**

The American Hellenic Council was founded in 1974, born out of that illegal invasion
of Cyprus, and was initially named **The Save Cyprus Council of Southern California.**

ST. PAISIOS FEAST DAY

Join us on Tuesday, July 12th to celebrate the feast of a beloved contemporary intercessor, Saint Paisios of Mount Athos. 9am Orthros and 10am Divine Liturgy.

On the twelfth day of this month [July], we commemorate our Venerable Father Paisios the New the Athonite, who was perfected in peace in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-four (1994).

*Paisios, the tree of Mount Athos,
You were shown to be full of fruit, most-venerable one.
On the twelfth, Paisios reposed.*

Venerable Paisios (Enzepidis), the much-wondrous and much-famed, was born in Farasa of Cappadocia on the 25th of July in 1924 from Christian parents, taking the name Arsenios after the venerable Arsenios of Cappadocia. Later he came with his parents to Greece, settling in Konitsa of Epirus, distinguishing himself as a child for his reverence and faith towards God. When he became a man he went to Athos and became a Monk, receiving the name Averkios at the prayer for the cassock-wearing, then during the prayer for the small schema he received the name Paisios. To occupy himself more with asceticism he went to Sinai. He settled in the Cell of Panagouda in Karyes of Athos, and many signs in his life were done through him. Furthermore, through his teachings he brought many to the correct path. He also became the spiritual guide of the Sacred Monastery of Saint John the Theologian in Souroti. Towards the end of his life he became seriously ill, and having been perfected he was buried in the aforementioned Monastery on the 12th of July 1994. He has done many signs even after his venerable repose. Through his holy intercessions, Christ God, have mercy and save us. Amen.

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!

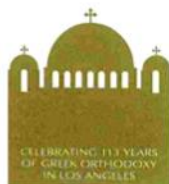
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His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos
Metropolitan of San Francisco
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Your Eminence;

As King Solomon is quoted in the book of Ecclesiastes 3:1 "There is a time for everything, and a reason for every activity under the heavens." For me the time has arrived that I must retire as Dean of Saint Sophia Cathedral effective on January 23, 2023. My last formal celebration of the Divine Liturgy will be on my birthday, Sunday the 22nd.

I have served my beloved cathedral for over 27 years. Much has been accomplished in the name of our Lord. I have served our Holy Greek Orthodox Church as a Deacon and Priest for over 40 years. I expect no formal recognition of any good that I have done. I have served with my beloved Metropolitan Anthony of blessed memory from the time of my priestly ordination to the untimely death of His Eminence on Christmas day 2004.

It has been my honor pleasure and spiritual joy to serve under your enlightened leadership since January of 2005. Someone once said "old priests never retire, they just fade away." I don't plan to fade away. I will be available to you and the church in whatever capacity you feel appropriate.

Thank you for your love support and guidance since "day one" of 2005. My love and respect for you is never ending.

With gratitude and love in Jesus Christ,


Fr. John S. Bakas,
Dean

CC: Anna Yallourakis – President Parish Council
Constantine Boukidis – President Foundation
Fr. Anthony Cornett – Assistant Priest

**THE HOLY LAND WITH FR. JOHN BAKAS
DECEMBER 10TH – DECEMBER 20TH, 2022**



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This trip includes:
accommodations, breakfast and dinner, transfers,
all entry fees, expertly guided tours.

**Trip Cost \$4225 pp/double occupancy
Deposit \$420 per person**

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Go to "Make a Donation."
Go to "Contribution."
Go to "General Donation."

Enter amount. Click the "Make a Donation" button*
*There is an area that says "Order Description." You can note "Holy Land Trip."

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LA GREEK FEST 2022

We have tentatively scheduled the weekend of October 7-9 for our LA Greek Fest '22. The viability of the fest depends on the following factors.

1. Dependable volunteers (with job descriptions) to work in designed areas. Volunteers must be workers not indulging in free food and drink. The fest is a fundraising event for Saint Sophia Cathedral. In addition, it is also a way to highlight our Orthodox Faith and Greek Culture.
2. The Fest is not a personal party for volunteers. It is a dedicated service to our church. Expenses cannot supersede income.
3. When volunteers make a commitment to work, it is important for them to show up and honor their commitment.

The LA Greek Fest is a major church and city cultural event. Let's put our "best foot forward". Thank you so very much for caring and working the LA Greek Fest '22





SAINT SOPHIA CAMP 2022

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Week 1: July 25th-July 29th at
Camp Cedar Lake in Big Bear Lake, CA

Week 2: August 2nd-August 7th at at
Camp Saint Nicholas in Frazier Park, CA

Sign up at www.saintsophiacamp.org

Registration closes on June 15th at 11:59 pm. Any sign-ups
after will be placed on a waitlist.



For more information please contact:

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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

JULY 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					 1	2
3 3rd Sunday of St. Matthew 9:00 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	4 Campus Closed Independence Day	5	6 +	7	8 	9
10 4th Sunday of St. Matthew 9:00 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	11	12 Saint Paisios 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	13 +	14	15 +	16
17 Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council 9:00 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials 10:00 am Divine	18	19	20 	21	22 	23
24 6th Sunday of St. Matthew 9:00 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	25 Dormition of St. Anna 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy	26	27 	28	29 +	30
31		Strict Fast +	Fish Allowed 	Wine and Oil Allowed 	Dairy, Eggs, and Fish Allowed 	Fast Free