

**EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY:** This morning's Apostolic Reading is from Saint Paul's letter to the Galatians Chapter 1, Verse 11 - 19: Brethren, I would have you know that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

**GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY:** This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke Chapter 10, Verses 25-37: At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live." But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

**ELPIDA GRANDPARENTS SUNDAY AND LUNCHEON:** Today we will enjoy a Grandparents Sunday consisting of a luncheon and program following Divine Liturgy. We welcome all grandparents to the Cathedral today and we thank Elpida for hosting such a wonderful event for our community.

**CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS CARD FUNDRAISER:** We invite you to include your name in our yearly Cathedral Christmas Card. **Kalliope Fousekis** and **Irene Kyriacou** will be gathering names and donations following Divine Liturgy on Sundays. Please stop by their table to include your name and make your donation. We are accepting donations at a minimum of \$35. You can also email Irene Kyriacou at [irene.kyriacou@annunciation.org](mailto:irene.kyriacou@annunciation.org)

**STEWARDSHIP / REALM** – We have revolutionized how we manage donations and finances at The Cathedral. Already securely processing thousands of dollars in gifts, Realm offers convenience and transparency in your stewardship and giving journey. For those preferring traditional methods, stewardship cards are still available. Sign up for Realm at [www.annunciation.org/realm](http://www.annunciation.org/realm) to set your annual pledge and explore the benefits of this innovative system. For Realm inquiries, please contact [realmhelp@annunciation.org](mailto:realmhelp@annunciation.org). Join us as we embrace this new era of faith and community stewardship together.

*Grant us Your blessing, Lord our Savior, that we may always be faithful stewards, continuing to share the gifts You have given us, by the power of Your grace, mercy and love. May Your name be glorified forever.*

**AN INVITATION TO HOST COFFEE HOUR:** As part of our revitalized coffee hour program, we're calling on all ministries, organizations, and our parishioners (individually or in teams!) to sign up to host one or more coffee hours over the course of the year. We'll supply the coffee/ cream/ sugar, tablecloths, napkins, utensils – and you supply the goodies (e.g., pastries, donuts, bagels & cream cheese, small sandwiches, fruit/vegetable/cheese platters and assorted dips, or other similar items). We're currently seeking hosts for the month of December (1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>). Please reach out to Irene Melitas ([irene.melitas@annunciation.org](mailto:irene.melitas@annunciation.org), or 925.212.8561) to sign-up and learn more.

**GOYA WINTER FORMAL:** On **Saturday, December 14**, we will be hosting a Bay Area-wide Goya Winter Formal dance featuring the musical stylings of **DJ G Stav**. Tickets are \$30. If your Goya-age child would like to attend please contact **Vicky Spachis** at [vicky.spachis@annunciation.org](mailto:vicky.spachis@annunciation.org)

**COMMUNITY KITCHEN:** Every third Tuesday of the month, we come together to prepare, serve, and share a hot meal with those in our neighborhood. The next gathering will be on November 19th, if you are interested in volunteering please visit [www.annunciation.org/community-kitchen-signup](http://www.annunciation.org/community-kitchen-signup). You can also support this ministry by making a financial donation at <https://www.annunciation.org/community-kitchen-donate>

**PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Christmas Party**-December 12th. We will be holding our Christmas Party at Nick's Rockaway Beach Restaurant in Pacifica. The cost will be \$75/person. For more information contact Foula Vasilogiorgis at 415-378-7200 or see flyer near the pangari.

**Crab Feed**-Our annual crab feed will be held Friday, Jan 31, 2025. An Early Bird special price of \$90/person during the month of December 2024 is being offered. The price will jump to \$100/person beginning January 1, 2025.