



# Weekly Bulletin

Greek Orthodox Cathedral  
of the Annunciation

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## Sunday, January 7 | Synaxis of John the Baptist

Synaxis of John the Holy Glorious Prophet, Baptist, & Forerunner,  
Afterfeast of the Theophany of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Cedd, Bishop of Scotland, Fursey, Abbot of Lagny

### Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour is sponsored in loving memory of Thomas Giannakopoulos by his family.

### GOYA Basketball Teams

Congratulations to the Senior Girls, coached by Angelo Spetseris & Peter Zaharis, on winning 1st place and the Junior Boys, coached by John Costopoulos & George Pribas, winning 2nd place at this year's Winter Youth Rally! Players and Coaches will be recognized on Sunday, January 21st.

### A.R.K. Adult Religious Knowledge

Wednesday Nite Life

Please join us this Wednesday, January 10 as we begin the Spring Semester of Wednesday Nite via Zoom.

Where are They Now? 6:00 pm

Road to Orthodoxy 7:00 pm

Saint Lazarus Bereavement Ministry 7:00 pm

For more information please click [HERE](#).

### 2024 Hellenic Dance Festival

Good luck to our Dance Groups participating next weekend in Orlando!  
Happy Dancing!

### Festival Town Hall Meeting

Sunday, January 21st

Festival Town Hall Meeting following Divine Liturgy in Carlos Hall

### 2024 Vasilopita Luncheon

The Philoptochos Society of the Annunciation Cathedral invites the entire community to the Vasilopita Luncheon

Sunday, January 28th

Immediately following the Divine Liturgy

Kartos Ballroom

Traditional Cutting of Vasilopita & Vasilopita Auction with Dance Performances from our Cathedral Dance Groups

Proceeds to benefit St. Basil Academy

St. Basil Academy is the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese home for children in need.

The academy provides a loving Christian environment where resident children are nurtured to adulthood.

### Atlanta Greek Festival Solicitation for Non-Orthodox Charity Contribution

As outlined in the Parish By-Laws, the opportunity to receive recommendations for this year's charitable contribution to a non-Orthodox metro Atlanta-based charity is taking place. All recommendations must be received by January 31, 2024. Solicitation forms can be found on our website or by clicking [HERE](#).

### Parish Contact Information

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# Stewardship

*We want to thank you for your continued support of the Cathedral.  
We are one community, worshiping and praying together.*



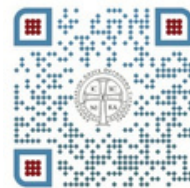
## Support our Cathedral



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Or visit us at [atlgoc.org](http://atlgoc.org) to light candles and submit names for prayers, manage your online giving, make a quick donation, and more.

# Ministries

## Sunday School

January 7  
 Sunday School following the Prayer of Thanksgiving

## HOPE & JOY

January 14  
 "Bath time for all Orthodox"...the Baptismal Font

## GOYA

January 12-15  
 Hellenic Dance Festival  
 January 21  
 Meeting and Activity

## Golden Group

Celebrate the New Year with your Golden Group friends on Thursday, January 11, at 10:30 am in Kartos Ballroom. We will sip mimosas, play New Year games, and cut the Vasilopita. The Evrytarian Society is our host for this month. Come join the fun as we welcome the new year 2024!

**USO**

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED PREPARE MEALS FOR OUR TROOPS ON WEDNESDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL!

OVER THE PAST 4 YEARS, THE ATLANTA GREEK COMMUNITY HAS PROVIDED 3000+ MEALS FOR OUR TROOPS RETURNING FROM HOLIDAY BLOCK LEAVE. GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS!

## K-8th & Preschool OPEN HOUSE

**JAN. 10th** Both from: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
**JAN. 17th**

**ANNUNCIATION DAY SCHOOL**  
 Centered in Christ, Children and Community



Accredited by COGNIA & Member of GISA and AAAIS



State-of-the-Art Science Lab



Low student to Teacher Ratio - Average class size of 16 students



Community Service Projects with Beta Club, National Junior Honor Society & Student Leadership Houses System



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Competitive sports in the Metro Atlanta Athletic Conference (MAAC) League in Basketball, Soccer, Volleyball & Cross Country

RSVP to Sophia Tsiotsias at [marketing@adsatlanta.org](mailto:marketing@adsatlanta.org) or call 404-565-2850.  
 2500 Clairmont Road, N.E. Atlanta, GA. 30329  
[AnnunciationDaySchool.org](http://AnnunciationDaySchool.org)

Or Scan this QR code to RSVP directly!



## 2024 Cretan Glendi!

Samaria Chapter

Pancretan Association of America



Saturday, January 27, 2024

Hellenic Community Center Ballroom  
 2500 Clairmont Road  
 Atlanta, Georgia

Dinner Dance Featuring

Traditional Cretan Cuisine

Cretan Dancing

Live Cretan Music by:

Giorgos Angelogiannakis (Lyra)  
 Manolis Kydonakis (Laouto)  
 Nikiforos Bolonakis (Askomantoura)  
 Demetri Spatharakis (Laouto)

7:00 pm: Cocktails

7:30 pm: Dinner

9:00 pm: Dancing

Adults: \$65

Students (13-17): \$30

Children 12 and under: Free

Early order special: \$600 for table of 10 when purchased by January 15, 2024

Tickets may be purchased from Samaria members after church or online at: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/aae2203e-e267-475c-a8d6-ce7eb1e64277>



\*\*e-ticket price will have a default donation to the website. Next to "Contribution" select "other" and add \$0\*\*

Hotel block for out of town guests at Atlanta Marriott Northeast / Emory area: \$149 per night  
 Book here by January 19, 2024: <https://www.marriott.com/events/start.mi?id=1699567989151&key=GRP>

## PICKLEBALL IS BACK

EVERYONE WELCOME

Cathedral Gym  
 Wednesday 6-8pm  
 Sunday 4-6pm



The Cathedral Philoptochos invites the entire  
community to the

# *2024 Annual Vasilopita Luncheon*

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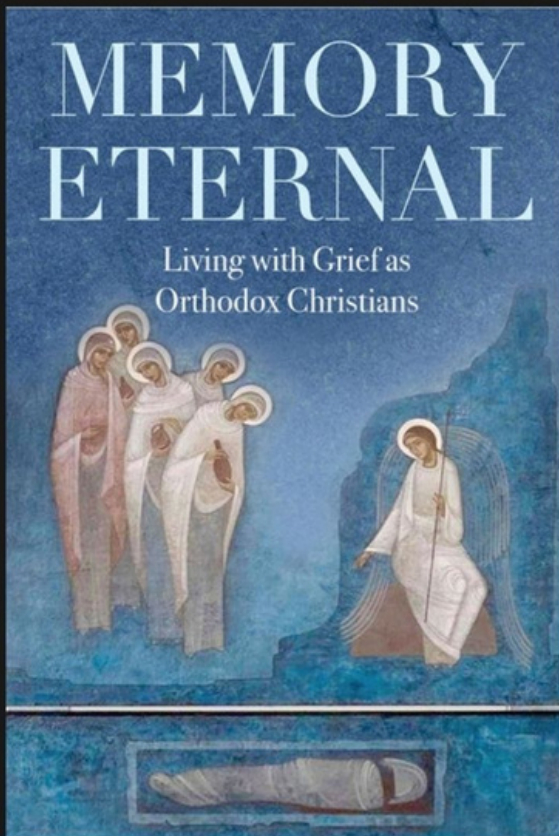
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*Donation:*

\$20/Adults

\$10/Children 10 and under

# SAINT LAZARUS BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY



All class sessions will be held in person in the Kafenion from 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Session 1: January 10  
Session 2: January 17  
Session 3: January 31  
Session 4: February 7  
Session 5: February 14  
Session 6: February 21  
Session 7: February 28  
Session 8: March 6

**Losing a loved one is not easy. Often, it may be the most traumatic experience of our lives. For those of us left behind, our whole world has changed and we are never the same.**

**This ministry is set up as an eight-session course based upon the book *Memory Eternal: Living with Grief as Orthodox Christians* by Dr. Sarah Byrne-Martelli.**

**Participants will be working with a carefully designed bereavement curriculum designed by Dr. Byrne-Martelli. The facilitator of the class is Dr. Nickitas Demos.**

**All information discussed during these sessions is held in confidence.**

[Click HERE to Register](#)

# Ecclesiastical Calendar

Sunday, January 7 <i>Synaxis of St. John the Baptist</i>	Orthros followed by Divine Liturgy in the Cathedral	8:00 am
Wednesday, January 10	Orthros followed by Divine Liturgy in the Metropolis Chapel	8:15 am
Saturday, January 13	Baptism in the Cathedral Baptism in the Cathedral	10:00 am 12:00 pm
Sunday, January 14	Orthros followed by Divine Liturgy in the Cathedral	8:00 am

## Events & Activities

Sunday, January 7	Pickleball in the Gym	4:00 pm
Monday, January 8	Golden Group Committee Meeting in the Conference Room Seniors @ Play in the Gym ADS Board Meeting in Zakas Conference Room	10:30 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm
Tuesday, January 9	GOOFS Coffee & Doughnuts in the Kafenion Clergy Brotherhood Meeting in the Boardroom Journey to Oneness via Zoom Philoptochos Board Meeting via Zoom Festival Drive-Thru Meeting via Zoom	9:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm
Wednesday, January 10	Mahjong and Games in the Kafenion Wednesday Nite Life Classes via Zoom Pickleball in the Gym St. Lazarus Bereavement Group Meeting in the Kafenion Road to Orthodoxy via zoom	10:00 am 6:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Thursday, January 11	Golden Group Luncheon in the Ballroom	10:30 am
Sunday, January 14	Pickleball in the Gym	4:00 pm

## Youth

Sunday, January 7	Sunday School following the Prayer of Thanksgiving	
Monday, January 8	Annunciation Day School Annunciation Afternoon Greek School	8:00 am 4:30 pm
Tuesday, January 9	Annunciation Day School	8:00 am
Wednesday, January 10	Annunciation Day School Annunciation Day School Open House Annunciation Afternoon Greek School ADS Girls Basketball vs. Swift in the Gym ADS Boys Basketball vs. Swift in the Gym	8:00 am 9:00 am 4:30 pm 4:00 pm 5:00 pm
Thursday, January 11	Annunciation Day School	8:00 am
Friday, January 12	Annunciation Day School	8:00 am
Sunday, January 14	Sunday School following the Prayer of Thanksgiving HOPE & JOY following Sunday School in the Cathedral	