



# Weekly Bulletin

Greek Orthodox Cathedral  
of the Annunciation

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## Sunday, January 1 | The Circumcision of Our Lord

Circumcision of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia  
Emmelia, Mother of Basil the Great, Gregory of Nyssa, Makrina, and Peter of Sebaste  
Gregory, Bishop of Nanzianzos, Father of Gregory the Theologian, Peter the New Martyr of the Peloponnesos  
Theodotos the Martyr, Righteous Theodosios of Triglia, Telemachos the Martyr, Fulgentius, Bishop of Ruspe

### Annual Vasilopita Cutting

The traditional blessing, cutting, and distribution of the Vasilopita to all Cathedral staff, ministry leaders and parishioners will take place at our New Year's Eve Divine Liturgy.

### No Fasting After Christmas!

Those who strive are thereafter rewarded, therefore fasting is not required beginning December 25th through January 4th, even on Wednesday and Friday. A reminder that Thursday, January 5th (Epiphany Eve) is a Strict Fast Day, to prepare for the Feast of Epiphany, the next day.

### 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, 2023. Solicitation forms can be found on our website or by clicking [HERE](#).

### 2023 Vasilopita Luncheon

The Philoptochos Society of the Annunciation Cathedral invites the entire community to the Vasilopita Luncheon  
Sunday, January 29, 2023  
Immediately following the Divine Liturgy  
in the Kartos Ballroom  
Traditional Cutting of Vasilopita & Vasilopita Auction

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.

### "Sharing Our Daily Bread"

January 2023 is one of the months of the year with five Sundays and thus we call upon the faithful to "Share their Daily Bread, by purchasing Gift Cards in \$25 increments from Kroger, Walmart, or QuikTrip. We appreciate your generous offerings to those in need. Thank you!

### Parish Contact Information

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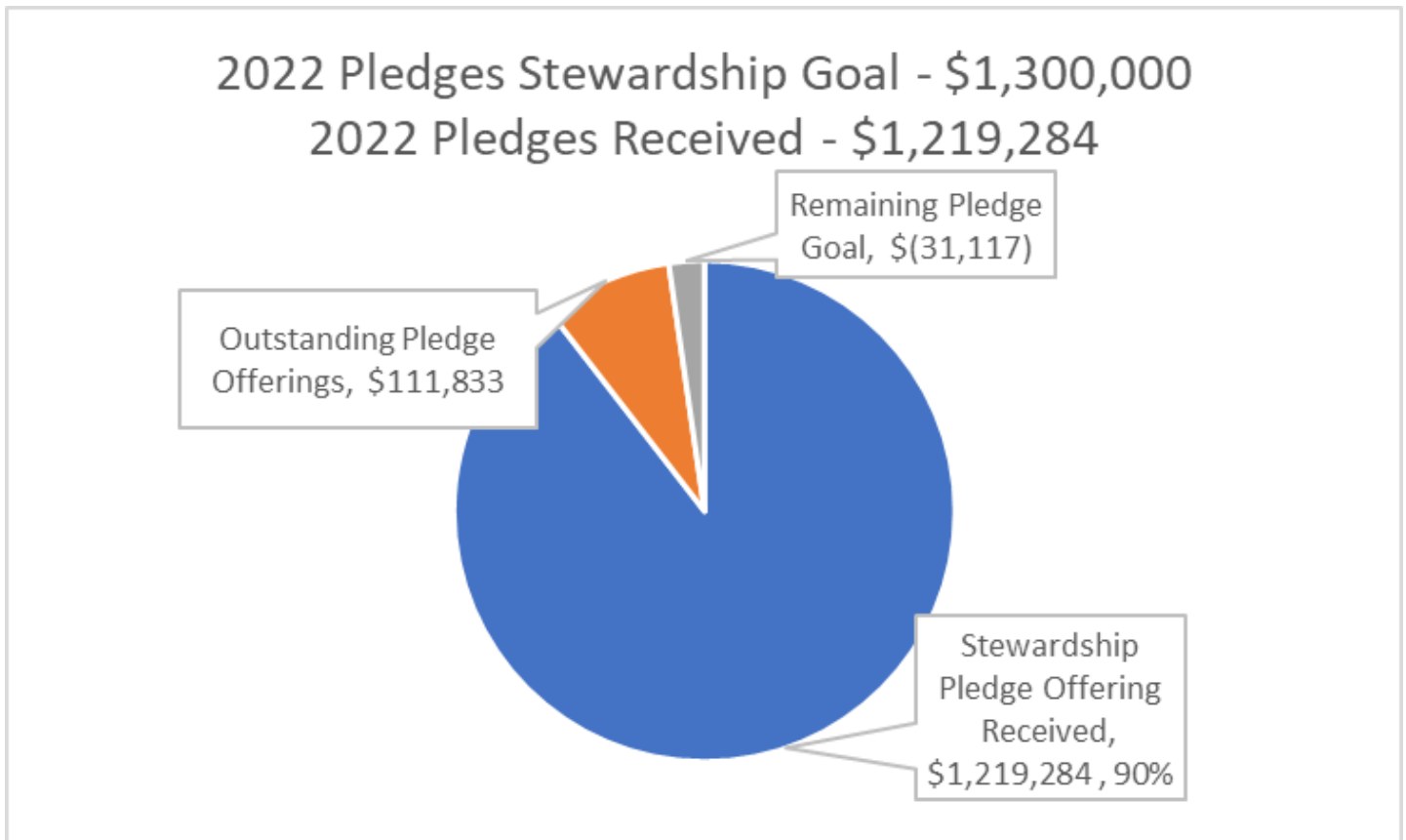
Ms. Voula Giannakopoulos  
Parish Council President  
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# Stewardship

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



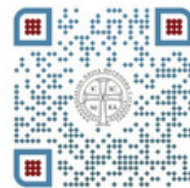
## Support our Cathedral



Text "ATLGOC"  
to 73256



See a member of  
Parish Council



Scan this QR Code

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 8  
Sunday School

## HOPE & JOY

January 8  
Baptism by Fire...The Three Holy Youths

## GOYA

January 2  
1:00 pm  
Board Meeting via Zoom  
January 7  
5:00 pm  
GOYA Meeting and Activity

## Golden Group

Ring in the New Year with Golden Group at our Vasilopita Luncheon on Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 10:30 am in the ballroom. The Evrytanian Society will host the luncheon. Join in the fun as we test our Cathedral community knowledge with a game of Jeopardy!



**MARCH 18th** 8:30am race start (7:45am check-in)

**Register Today at [www.ADSatlanta.org](http://www.ADSatlanta.org)**

**Adults: \$25 • Children (10 and under): \$15 • Strollers FREE!**

Each registered runner/walker will receive a FREE Chick-iti-A biscuit and themed T-shirt.

Registration must be complete by: March 10th. Spread the word to family & friends as the run is open to the entire Atlanta community!

LOCATION: Annunciation Day School, 2500 Clairmont Road, Atlanta 30329 (Starting line: In front of Gymnasium)

## Become a Sponsor Today!

Your generosity will help fund many programs within our school and shows our faculty, parents and community neighbors that your business SUPPORTS THE SPARTANS!

## Annunciation Day School

The 2023 Tax Credit/ Reduction applications are now open!

Would you like a free way to reduce your tax liability every year? The Apogee State Tax Credit program can help! It's an easy and fast way for YOU to decide how our state spends your tax dollars. If you are single, you can redirect up to \$2,500 of your state taxes and if married, up to \$5,000. There's even a greater benefit if you own an LLC or S-Corp as you can deduct up to \$25,000 in state income taxes owed.

Signing up takes less than 3 minutes! Visit [www.apogee123.org](http://www.apogee123.org) and choose Annunciation Day School as your school recipient. We would like to thank and acknowledge the following parishioners who have participated in the scholarship program to date:

Costa Panos/Realty Associates of Atlanta, Solon & Marianna Patterson, Mark & Dimitra Moraitakis, Stephen & Maria Chininis, Jimmy & Toula Kostopoulos, Manuel & Deidre Chaknis, James Burk and Helen Panos, Nicholas Grivas, Chris & Pattie Arapoglou, Jimmy Nakos, George & Eleny Katsoudas. Dr. Bruce & Meredith Beau, Eric & Amanda Kocefes-Russo, Dr. Andrew & Vicky Soulimiotis, Drs. Greg & Christine Esper, Taso Costarides, Stephen & Gabriela Lucas, Kosta & Carolyn Bozzuto, Taso Costarides

Annunciation Day School is seeking substitute teachers for both Preschool and K-8th. Teaching certificate not required. Please send resumes to Mrs. Joanna Gordon at [igordon@adsatlanta.org](mailto:igordon@adsatlanta.org). For inquiries, please call (404) 565-2850.

# OPEN HOUSE

January 11th  
8:30 to 10:30 am

January 18th  
12:30 to 2:00 pm




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

DULY ACCREDITED:



*Internationally*  
**DIVERSE COMMUNITY**

**160** STUDENTS **21** COUNTRIES



*Preschool & K-8*

*Small*  
**CLASS SIZES**  
  
**16-18**  
STUDENTS

STATE-OF-THE-ART  
**Science Lab**  


**AFTER SCHOOL Clubs**  
Including: Ballet, Robotics, Word Play, Lego Club, Chess

*Our Mission:*

Centered in Christ, Children and Community



**IOWA STANDARDIZED Test Scores**

**IN THE TOP 25% NATIONALLY (2021)**



*House System*

mixing K-8 students in community, mentorship & competition



**LOWEST Tuition in ATLANTA**

\$4,000 for **Preschool**;  
\$9,150 for **K-5**;  
\$11,450 for **6th-8th**

*Competitive*  
**SPORTS**

**MAAC LEAGUE: BASKETBALL, SOCCER & VOLLEYBALL**  
(Spartan Soccer teams reign champions for 3rd consecutive year)



**IN-HOUSE & EXTERNAL**

**Field Trips**



STEM Bus; Fernbank & Tellus Science Museum

*AnnunciationDaySchool.org*

The 2023 Hellenic Dance Festival is partnering with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta to complete 2 different projects that will benefit three hospitals in the Atlanta Metro Area!

During the HDF Weekend, there will be a **Community Service Room** where participants can stop by and assemble Family Care Kits.

**Project 1:** Build 2,023 Family Care Kits which are given to the families of patients when they arrive at the hospital.

Here's how you can help.

**OPTION 1:** Purchase and Ship Kit Supplies to Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral

We have created an Amazon Wish List to make it easy:

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/14QY1Q1CQG4B1?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/14QY1Q1CQG4B1?ref_=wl_share)

- Purchase items in bulk, please be mindful of shipping times. All purchased items must be delivered to the church before HDF weekend. **The latest delivery date is January 8th.**
- Once purchased, send an email to Susan Marinos at [SundaySchool@atlgoc.org](mailto:SundaySchool@atlgoc.org) with your order confirmation. - Send all items to:  
*Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral*  
*Attention: Susan Marinos*  
*2500 Clairmont Road*  
*Atlanta, GA 30329*

**OPTION 2:** Create your own kit and bring it with you to HDF 2023!

Hand kits to Fr. Kyriakos Hambos in the Community Service Room. All items should fit in a one gallon sized Ziploc bag.

- All kits must include the following travel-size items:
  - \* 1 toothbrush
  - \* 1 toothpaste
  - \* 1 dental floss
  - \* 1 deodorant
  - \* 1 lotion
  - \* 1 shampoo
  - \* 1 conditioner
  - \* 1 bar of soap
  - \* 1 hand sanitizer

**OPTION 3:** Monetary donation to support this project. It will cost approximately \$10 per bag. (Example: \$100 will help us make 10 bags)

- Donate money directly to the project using the following link:

<https://www.atlgoc.org/metropolis> Once you click on the link, you will click on the black button at the bottom which says "HDF 2023 Community Service Project" and it will direct you to the payment screen.

1. Enter your email
2. Enter the contribution amount
3. Fill out your payment information
4. Review your information and click the "Donate" button to submit.

- A check (Put HDF 2023 Family Kit in the memo) may also be mailed to:

*Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral*  
*Attention: Susan Marinos*  
*2500 Clairmont Road*  
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# Ecclesiastical Calendar

Saturday, December 31 <i>St. Basil</i>	Orthros followed by Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great in the Cathedral	4:00 pm
Wednesday, January 4	Orthros followed by Divine Liturgy in the Metropolis Chapel	8:15 am
Thursday, January 5 <i>Strict Fast Day</i>	Great & Royal Hours of Theophany in the Cathedral	9:00 am
<i>Eve of Theophany</i>	Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great & the Great Blessing of the Water in the Cathedral	4:00 pm
Friday, January 6 <i>Holy Theophany</i>	Orthros in the Cathedral Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom & the Great Blessing of the Waters in the Cathedral	8:00 am 9:00 am
Saturday, January 7 <i>St. John the Baptist</i>	Orthros followed by Divine Liturgy in the Metropolis Chapel	8:15 am
Sunday, January 8	Orthros in the Cathedral Divine Liturgy in the Cathedral	8:00 am 9:30 am

**The Metropolis and Cathedral Offices will be closed on Monday, January 2nd for the New Year.**

## Events & Activities

Tuesday, January 3	GOOFS Coffee and Doughnuts in the Kafenion	9:00 am
Saturday, January 7	Pickleball in the Gym	10:00 am

## Youth

Monday, January 2	No ADS, Teacher Work Day No Annunciation Afternoon Greek School	
Tuesday, January 3	Annunciation Day School	8:00 am
Wednesday, January 4	Annunciation Day School Annunciation Day School - Cutting of the Vasilopita Annunciation Afternoon Greek School - Cutting of the Vasilopita	8:00 am 11:00 am 4:30 pm
Thursday, January 5	Annunciation Day School	8:00 am
Friday, January 6	Annunciation Day School Annunciation Day School attends Divine Liturgy	8:00 am 9:00 am
Saturday, January 7	GOYA Meeting and Activity in the Gym	5:00 pm
Sunday, January 8	Sunday School following the Prayer of Thanksgiving HOPE & JOY Gathering in the Gym following Sunday School	