

A Fun Fact as We Celebrate our Cathedral's 50th Anniversary



Question: What is the history of the Shrine to the Panayia at the side of the Church?

Answer: Some beautiful pine trees grew in a small cluster, in the yard of the first Saints Constantine and Helen Church at 17 Old Pali Place. One of the Founders, Ted Anastasopoulos, thought of the beauty of the grottos that many Catholic Churches have. He thought this would be an ideal location for a grotto, however, the Orthodox religion does not permit statues. On a trip to Greece, Ted purchased a ceramic icon of the Panayia. He chose the icon of the Panayia because of his great reverence to her. When he returned to Hawaii, he hired Tongan masons, well known for their masonry skills, to build a Shrine for the beautiful ceramic icon. Ted paid for the entire shrine to be built. Ted ordered a Cross from Greece for the top of the shrine, and a parishioner, Demitra Gacis asked that she pay for the Cross. When the parish moved from Old Pali Place to the current locations, the Shrine was moved to its present location. In previous days, Ted, an avid gardener, planted and maintained the garden area with a lush variety of plants tolerant of a shady spot. Ted would often bring leis and other flowers as an offering to the Panayia. Please consider occasionally bringing a special lei or a pot of flowers for the Panayia. Many parishioners, passing the Shrine stop to cross themselves and say a prayer. On several occasions, parishioners and guests have made a special trip to the Church to pray because of sad news and if the Church was locked, were able to go to this Shrine, pray, meditate, and seek comfort.

To Our Visitors:

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. Just a reminder, however: the Sacrament of Holy Communion is a manifestation of the *unity of the Body of Christ*. As such, only those who are members in spiritual good standing of the Orthodox Church – and who have prepared themselves for the Sacrament – may partake of the Holy Chalice. However, *everyone* is welcome to come up with our people at the end of the service to receive blessed bread. *Please be sure to join us at Coffee Hour following Services.*

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Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Pacific



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Sunday of the Publican & the Pharisee

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Commemoration of: Tryphon the Martyr; Perpetua & her Companions; Timothy the Confessor; Bridget of Ireland

Apolytikia - Entrance Hymns

Tu lithu sfragisthentos (Resurrection Hymn) Tone 1

Uranios horos (Fore-Feast of Entrance) Tone 1

*The choir of heaven's hosts, from the vaults of the heavens, * bends forward to the earth and beholds as an infant * the first-born of all creation being carried in the embrace * of His holy virgin Mother unto the Temple. * And with us they sign today a fore-festal anthem, * in awe and astonishment.*

O martis su Kirie (Martyr Tryphon) Tone 4

*Your Martyr, O Lord, was worthily awarded by You * the crown of incorruption, in that he contested for You our immortal God. * Since he possessed Your power, he defeated the tyrants, * dashing the demons' powerless displays of defiance. * O Christ God, at his fervent entreaties, save our souls.*

Tou Stavru Su (Hymn of the Church) Tone 8

Having seen in the sky the form of Your Cross and, like Paul, having received his calling not from men, Your apostle among Kings, Lord, placed his reigning city in Your hand, which forever you guard in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, for You alone love mankind.

Kontakion Tone 1

Os agalas simeron

*With our hearts instead of arms * today, believers, * with most pure and righteous thoughts * let us receive in our embrace * the Lord and Master who comes to us, * and let us offer our fore-festal hymns of praise.*

Epistle Reading Romans 8:28-39

BRETHREN, we know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he fore-knew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then shall we say to this? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies; who is to condemn? Is it Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes

for us? Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For thy sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:10-14

The Lord said this parable, "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Activities & Announcements

Today

SUN 2/1– Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee; Triodion begins today; ***No fasting restrictions this coming week, including Wednesday and Friday.***

This Week

MON 2/2– Presentation of our Lord into the Temple: Orthros 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

THU 2/5– Parish Council Meeting 5:30 p.m.

SAT 2/7– Philoptochos Chinese New Year Fundraiser– 6 to 10 p.m. in Social Hall

SUN 2/8– Sunday of the Prodigal Son; Stewardship Sunday; Philoptochos Meeting Announcements

Golden Anniversary: Time Capsule– A parishioner suggested that we have a time capsule as part of our Golden Anniversary Celebration. Jeremy Chu has agreed to chair this project. Please give Jeremy your ideas of what you think should be included in this capsule. The capsule will be buried in the garden area by the Shrine to the Panagia at the end of the year. Jeremy can be reached after Sunday services at Church, by calling him, or you may drop off a written suggestion at the Church office addressed to Jeremy.

Golden Anniversary Events in February

In February, the garden area around the shrine will be replanted. We need assistance in preparing the ground and planting. Stay tuned for upcoming dates and for other upcoming events!

KUNG HEE FAT CHOY! Happy Year of the Ram! The Aloha Chapter of the Ladies' Philoptochos Society invites you to help celebrate the Chinese New Year with a fundraiser on Saturday, February 7th, from 6:00 - 10:00pm in the Social Hall. There will be a 10-course Chinese dinner, silent auction, door prizes, cash bar, and - best of all - a traditional Lion Dance! Tickets are just \$25. Call Tina Dimitrion at (808) 377-