

The Philoptochos Phlash – December 2,2025

On December 2, 2025, our Philoptochos led by President Angela Koros met and here are some notes and action items.

Christmas Tea – December 14 – following Liturgy - Christine Hopkins and Alicia Frangos are co-chairing this wonderful holiday event. Chris shared her excitement as the event approaches. We anticipate a full house while we share the holiday spirit with our dear friends and family. Plans for a delicious buffet were discussed. Two gorgeous Balsam Hill collectibles will be raffled along with other surprises. And a festive Holiday Boutique will be the place for you to shop for your last-minute gifts and décor. Along with holiday entertainment, there will be an amazing Bake Sale. The cost for adults is \$15 per person. Children are free.

Guest Speaker on Stewardship – Phil Louridas from our Parish Council shared the challenges of operating our beautiful church. The yearly budget is \$1.3 but that does not cover needed improvements and growing our Church. He asked for our assistance in spreading this word to our members and encouraging the monthly giving of \$150 per pledging family on an ongoing and predictable basis.

President's Report - Angela shared that Light the Path 2025 was a huge success and our parish was well-represented with two tables at the San Francisco Olympic Club.

Angela was asked to poll our members as to what kind of new and much-needed floor covering the Oaks should have. Through consensus, we felt it should be carpeting to provide a warm an intimate atmosphere.

Fundraising has become a bit challenging with many of our ministries wanting to raise money at similar times of the year. Father suggested working on an agreed to schedule so we can all have success and offer the parish a variety of items.

Treasurer's Report – Laura Jadelrab presented her cash flow report which shows that all our commitments are current. She also presented the Budget for 2025-2026 which will guide us as to what we can spend or expect to profit from each of our events. This budget will be finalized at our January meeting.

Kicks for Kids and Shelter Meal Service – Nina reported that we reached our goal to provide shoes for 100 children and have a surplus which will be put to good use.

The First Step Shelter Meal Service was a huge success with special thanks to the Azar, Canellos, Hutchinson and Louridas Families for cooking, serving and entertaining!



As we
approach the
Birth of our Lord,
we whole-heartedly
thank you for your support!
With our love and continued appreciation,
The Philoptochos
of Holy Cross
Merry
Christmas!