

“When they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh” (Matthew 2:11)

The Christmas season is upon us which prompts us to spend quality time with family and friends. It's about spreading divinity and cheer and good will towards man. It's also a time for creating happy memories that will last a lifetime and most of all it's about remembering and celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, God's perfect gift to us. During this festive season of giving, let us take time to slow down, reflect and to enjoy the simple things and each other. Life is too short to miss out on the beautiful things and beautiful people. Life is our gift to share with each other. Kalo Mina to all!!!!

On Sunday, December 9th after church services we have parish council election. If you cannot attend and are a member in good standing and would like to submit an absentee ballot vote, please put your ballot in a sealed envelope and then another envelope with your name clearly written on the outside and drop off to the church prior to 3pm next Sunday. A church survey was sent out a couple weeks ago, please consider filling it out and returning it to the church office by December 10th. Your input does matter! If you want to partake in the Church's Christmas card, deadline December 8th. December 16th, our Sunday school will be having a holiday pageant and breakfast after church services. Admission is \$5 for adults so please come and support our little people. Remember it's the season for giving! Also please save the date for of New Year's Eve Dinner Dance, December 31st. If you haven't RSVP'd your interest to attend please call Maria today. We also have several Icons of the Thoskepasti Project available. Please contact the church office for more information on our Iconography Program.

May this festive season sparkle and shine and may all of your wishes and dreams come true this glorious time of the year!

Warm Regards,
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