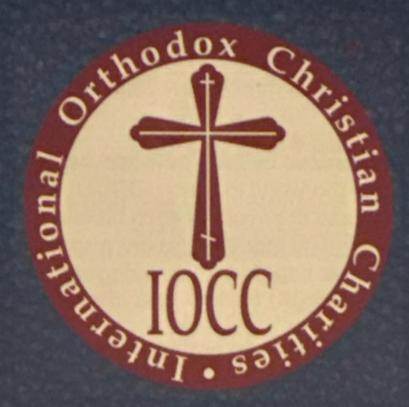
# PASSPORT



FOOD AND WINE TOUR Sunday November 3, 2024

Co-hosted by
IOCC San Francisco Bay Area Committee
&
Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Ascension

#### **OUR MISSION**

IOCC, in the spirit of Christ's love, offers emergency relief and development programs to those in need worldwide, without discrimination, and strengthens the capacity of the Orthodox Church to so respond.

#### ABOUT TONIGHT'S FOOD AND WINE TOUR

On behalf of the IOCC San Francisco Bay Area Committee, we would like to welcome you and to thank the participating parishes in this year's IOCC event, especially the parishioners of the Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Ascension for hosting our 32nd Annual fundraising event in the Bay Area.

Our five food stations, donated by local parishes, represent a small sample of the regions of the world in which IOCC is working. The signage at each station and the flyers at each table describe some of the programs IOCC is running globally. We are also grateful to the generous donors who have supplied an amazing variety of wine to go with your meal!

Words cannot express the immense gratitude we feel for the many people who worked so hard to make this event happen. We especially thank our host parish's event coordinators, Fr. Tom Zaferes, Maria Delvizis & Marie Banis. We thank Laila Louridas for organizing the raffle and Sonya Rowen for designing this passaport program. The world needs IOCC now, more than ever and all of you here are part of their mission to alleviate human suffering.

Your support can make a profound difference in the lives of those in great need. Please consider donating today to help IOCC continue its work in the U.S. and around the world.

IOCC San Francisco Bay Area Committee Kristen: & Karim Azar, Co-chairs Jon: & Lanissa Geleris, Co-chairs

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# EVENING PROGRAM

## WELCOME

Jon & Larissa Geleris and Karim & Kristen Azar Co-Chairs, IOCC San Francisco Bay Area Committee

#### INVOCATION

Father Nicholas Mueller & Father Thomas Zaferes, Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Ascension

> Doors Open 5:00 pm - 5:15 pm

Food and Wine Stations Open 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm

Desserts and Coffee (seated at table)

## **ENTERTAINMENT**: Cal Jazz Choir

The Cal Jazz Choir is a co-ed a cappella ensemble at UC Berkeley dedicated to exploring the colorings of vocal jazz.

6:30 pm - 7 pm

## CLOSING REMARKS

Dimitri Zgourides, IOCC Board Member Nick Kasemeotes, IOCC Development

## **RAFFLE**

## BENEDICTION

His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos
Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

#### **FOOD TOUR**

American Chilli Cornbread



#### Greek

Pork Souvlaki Triopita Spanikopita



#### Middle Eastern

Mansef (Lamb cooked in a yogurt sauce served with rice)



#### Slavic

Borscht
(Sour soup made with meat stock, red beet root and vegetables)
Olivye Salad
Bread and Butter
Holodetz (meat jelly)



#### Serbian

Cheese Pita (Savory cheese and egg pastry)

## DESSERT TOUR

All-American Chocolate Brownies Assorted Greek Sweets Middle Eastern Namura Slavic Vatrushka

#### **WINE POURS**

2021 Zinfandel; Amador County

- Sobon Estate

2016 Cabernet Sauvignon; Columbia Valley

Grand Estates

2024 Cabernet Sauvignon

- Fetzer Vineyards

2023 Chardonnay; Central Coast

- Castle Rock Winery

2021 Chardonnay; Sonoma County

- Chalk Hill Winery





### OUR DEEPEST THANKS

Thank you to all who could join us tonight, and thanks especially to our host, the **Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Ascension**, the sponsors who provided raffle prizes and the parishes and donors who worked tirelessly to host food and wine for this event:

Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Ascension, Oakland (Greek food)
St. Christina of Tyre Orthodox Church, Fremont (American food)
St. George Orthodox Cathedral, Daly City (Middle Eastern food)
Holy Trinity Orthodox Cathedral, San Francisco (Slavic food)
Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church, Moraga (Serbian food)
Greek Orthodox Church of the Holy Cross (Greek desserts)
Bill & Nina Azar
Stephen & Angela Kreta
Jack's Restaurant & Bar, <a href="https://www.ilovejacks.com">https://www.ilovejacks.com</a>
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## Thank you to the George Dariotis Ministerial Excellence Award of Annunciation Church in Sacramento for the generous donation!

## **Benefactor Sponsors**

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## **Friend Sponsors**

Natalie Burigin Fr. Pete & Pres, Angie Sotiras



#### RAFFLE PRIZES

### Pave Diamond White Gold Necklace

314K White Gold Tapered Bar Design Pendant on 18" adjustable necklace, pave set with 16 round brilliant cut diamonds weighing 0.29 ct donated by Giraux Fine Jewelry (valued at \$750).

## In-Home Luxury Wine Tasting Experience

Sip, savor and indulge 10 to 14 of your wine-loving guests in a luxurious, guided wine tasting! Your personal Boisset Collection Wine Ambassador will bring the private tasting room experience from their wineries in California and France to you! \$250 value.

## **Exclusive Private Walt Disney Studios Tour**

Insider guided tour for two + lunch at the Walt Disney Studios headquarters in Burbank, CA. Includes visits to: Disney Commissary, exclusive Disney Company Store, Disney Hall of Fame, groundbreaking Multiplane Camera used to film the 1973 classic Snow White. Get your photo taken at the intersection of Mickey Way & Dopey Drive! (Priceless!) \$100 Visa gift card toward souvenirs or hotel stay included.

## Pamper Yourself with Infrared Sauna Sessions

Pamper yourself and experience the health benefits of five (5)
Infrared Sauna sessions in your own
private oasis in a Sunlighten Mpulse Sauna (valued at \$325).

## **Expert Interior Design Consultation**

Private visit and inspiring consultation at your home or office with interior designer Gaby Nejasmich to design, redesign, review plans, create a new look, select colors, or create perfect furniture floor plan! (valued at \$300)

## **Dinner Out at Town**

Enjoy an amazing dinner for two at this upscale San Carlos restaurant!

## California Rewined Exclusive Wine Box Charcuterie Board

Entertain in style with this gorgeous one-of-a-kind handmade artisan charcuterie board made from a beautiful repurposed wine box!

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