

What Our Members Have To Say About Our Mission

"We very much want our children to be a part of an Orthodox community and to learn through living about their heritage. We feel having the Mission Church's support right here in our backyard will make our children realize they have a Christian community they can grow with and depend on."

- JoAnna Wilson

"When I think about our Mission Church, the word "family" comes to mind. The sense of belonging to such a wonderful group of people is difficult to put into words. This new community is sent from Heaven for us. I cherish the new friendships the community has offered and look forward to next year when I plan to retire from teaching and have more time to devote to the Mission Church's needs."

- Fran Karnazis

"The Greek Orthodox Mission has been a calling for me. Being at the beginning stages and needing help, I feel that I can offer something and be part of something new and exquisite. That leads to an overall feeling of belonging. The people are very warm and welcoming and I have already made many friends and acquaintances, a fact that was missing elsewhere."

- Katerina Terry

"Our family benefits from attending GOMSOC. We enjoy being part of a church that wants to keep the Greek Orthodox culture alive! My husband is not Greek, but he likes being Greek Orthodox. We look forward to attending church every Sunday."

- The Travis Family

Our Mission Statement

To establish a Greek Orthodox Church in South Orange County which follows, preserves and continues our timeless religious beliefs and traditions and emphasizes our Hellenic customs and values.

Growing A Church Family

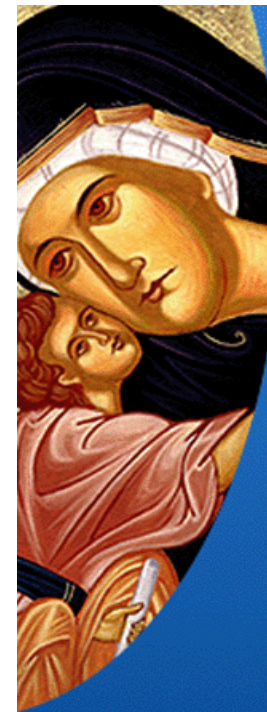
Won't you join the mission family? Come, be part of our greater family, where we can pray together, love one another, grow our families together, watch out for each other, break bread together, laugh together, share together and be strong together all while uniting to build a church for generations to come.

Become A Part Of Our Family

Being a newer church, there are many opportunities for you to support our mission and join our family. Prayer is something we all can do. A contribution of your time and talent is also welcomed and encouraged. Whether you wish to work with children or the elderly, take on a leadership role in the mission, worship as an acolyte, reader, usher, sing in the choir, assist at fellowship hour or even help maintain the facilities, there is something for everyone to get involved. You might even think of something that we're not doing today, and start a new program. Lastly, your financial support is welcomed. Your contribution, large or small, keeps the mission 100% percent of our facility expenses and priest. Whether you give weekly, monthly, yearly, anonymously and/or contribute in the basket on Sundays, your voluntary support of our mission family will allow us to continue to grow and achieve parish status.

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Growing Our Church Family

"I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me."

Proverbs 8:17

Greek Orthodox
Mission
of South Orange
County



Under the guidance of His Eminence Metropolitan Anthony, the Greek Orthodox Mission of South Orange County is the Diocese's newest church community in Southern California



A Labor of Love

In the past several years, the Orthodox Christian population grew rapidly in the Southern Orange County area, and so did the need for a church that could serve the needs of that population.

In June 2003, the Greek Orthodox Mission of South Orange County (GOMSOC) was established under the authority of His Eminence Metropolitan Anthony and the Commission for Orthodox Missions and Evangelism (C.O.M.E.).

The spiritual community and programs that have flourished is a testament that all things are possible through God.



Church Life

Every Sunday, we celebrate the **Divine Liturgy** at the JSerra High School chapel. We invite everyone to join us in prayer and worship as one family.

During our weekly **Fellowship Hour** after Sunday Liturgy, we strive to meet everyone and make them feel like a member of our family.

Sunday School gives children an opportunity to learn about the Bible, their Orthodox faith and socialize in a structured environment.

Catechism Classes offers courses for anyone interested in learning more about Orthodoxy.

Anyone can participate in the Divine Liturgy, whether it's preparing Proskomedia (bread), ushering, being in the choir, or assisting the priest as an acolyte (altar boy), there is a place for everyone.

Culture

Greek education aims at distilling in the minds and hearts the spiritual, moral and cultural values of our Greek Orthodox faith and Greek heritage.

Greek Language School not only gives children an opportunity to learn a new language, it also exposes them to the Hellenic culture.

Greek Dance School offers courses for everyone ages 5 and up! It is a great opportunity for anyone to learn the basic steps to all Greek folk dances. Experienced dancers will find the depth of instruction to be invaluable that will ultimately lead to breakthroughs in style and presentation.

Special Events are always being planned for our community. From glendis (Greek party) and picnics to guest speakers and special screenings, we offer many opportunities for everyone to meet new people and make friends.

Growth

As our church continues to grow, we plan on adding more programs, including:

- Philoptochos
- YAL
- GOYA

For more information on any of our current and future programs, visit us on the Web at www.gomsoc.org