



# THE ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Dear Parish Family,

We would like to provide an update to the HVAC (heating and cooling) project. The replacement is complete, and we are working on adjusting the settings to provide comfort to those in attendance at church.

We would like to personally thank all parishioners and organizations who contributed to this important project necessary to maintain the integrity of our church.

We ask those who have made pledges to continue to fulfill those pledges. Statements will be coming with payment reminders.

The replacement of the heating/cooling of our church is truly only the beginning. Our church has many needs to maintain the function and beauty of the church itself and the community center. A capital improvement committee has been put into place, and they have begun to identify needs of the church and community center. This group will prioritize these needs and work on receiving quotes for repairs. Once a list of needs/costs is complete, this list will be provided to the entire parish community. At that point, we will begin to work on raising funds for the next project(s) identified.

We know, many of you are saying/thinking, here we go again, asking for more money. Yes, you are right....we are. For fear of sounding repetitive, this is OUR church, and we are responsible for its upkeep. Little if anything has been asked of the parish financially for many years. We have reached a point where there are many needs and we cannot ignore these needs...they must be addressed.

One way to avoid having to continually ask for money for various "projects" is for each of us to actively adhere to the new Stewardship program our parish is implementing. If each parish family contributed 3% of their annual income to the church, the likelihood that we would need to continue asking for money drastically decreases, probably to zero.

Our hope is we come together as a parish family and continue to provide the needs of our church and community center.

In Christ,

Fr. Joseph Gingrich  
Parish Priest

Maria Abboud  
HVAC Chair