

Diocese Of Miami & the SouthEast WINTER RETREAT January 30 – January 31, 2026

Hosted at St. Elias Orthodox Church, Atlanta, GA
2045 Ponce De Leon Avenue Northeast | Atlanta, GA 30307-1345

“Better than Gold, discovering true riches”

“Prayer is good when accompanied by fasting, almsgiving, and righteousness. A little with righteousness is better than much with wrongdoing. It is better to give alms than to treasure up gold.” ~ Tobit 12:8

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS		
TIME	EVENT	ROOM
Friday, January 30 <i>(Breakfast on your own)</i>		
8:00 am	Retreat Check-In (All Day)	Hall Entry
9:00 am	Morning Prayers & Welcome	Church Nave
9:30 am - 10:30 am	Session One: Prayer (FOR EVERYONE) <i>Music / Praying with the Psalms / Akathist</i> <i>Speaker TBD</i>	Church Hall
10:45 am	Breakout Sessions: Clergy – TBD ----- > SOYO – TBD ----- > YAM – TBD ----- > Antiochian Women – TBD ----- > AMEN – TBD ----- >	Meeting Room: Conference Room Middle School Room Library Church Hall Church Nave
12:00 pm	Lunch (& Raffle draw)	Church Hall
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	Session Two: Fasting (FOR EVERYONE) <i>Beyond Hunger: The Sacred History of Fasting</i> <i>Fasting Beyond Food: Purifying the Mind, Mouth, and Motions</i> <i>Eating with Reverence, Fasting with Joy: The Art of Holy Balance</i> <i>Speaker TBD</i>	Church Hall
2:30 pm 3:30 pm	Breakout Sessions: Clergy – TBD ----- > SOYO – TBD ----- > YAM – TBD ----- > Antiochian Women – TBD ----- > AMEN – TBD ----- >	Meeting Room: Conference Room Middle School Room Library Church Hall Church Nave
3:45 pm	Antiochian Women Meeting (BISHOP NICHOLAS to stop by) Antiochian Men & Clergy Meeting (BISHOP NICHOLAS to stop by) Young Adult Ministry Meeting (BISHOP NICHOLAS to stop by) Teen SOYO Meeting (BISHOP NICHOLAS to stop by)	Church Hall Church Nave Conference Room Middle School Room
4:45 pm	Fellowship Time; Coffee & Cookies	Church Hall
5:15 pm	Vespers	Church Nave
6:00 pm	Dinner (& Raffle draw)	Church Hall
7:00 pm	Sayedna’s address to the Diocese	Church Hall
7:30 pm	DOMSE Jeopardy Game!	Church Hall

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Saturday, January 31

9:30 am	Divine Liturgy	Church Nave
	Retreat Picture (Immediately after Divine Liturgy)	Parking Lot
11:00 am	Retreat Check-In	Church Hall
11:00 am	Brunch (& Raffle draw)	Hall Entry
12:00 pm 1:00 pm	Session Three: Almsgiving (FOR EVERYONE) <i>Time / Talent / Treasure</i> <i>Speaker TBD</i>	Church Hall
1:30 pm	Family Time / Explore Atlanta <i>A suggestion list will be made available.</i>	
6:00 pm	Vespers	Church Nave
	<i>Dinner on your own</i>	

Sunday, February 1

8:50 am	Matins	Church Nave
10:00 am	Hierarchical Divine Liturgy followed by lunch & fellowship hour for all	Church Nave Church Hall