



Yannoula is a native of Norwich, having been baptized and married at Holy Trinity. Her mother's family worshiped at Holy Trinity from 1913 until 1973. While in Norwich, Yannoula attended Sunday School and was a member of the choir. She attended Norwich Public Schools through the 8th grade when her family then moved to Brooklyn, CT to be closer to their pizza restaurant. While in Brooklyn, the Thanas family became members of Holy Trinity in Danielson. While there, Yannoula participated in Greek School and Choir as well as participating in GOYA president as a youth and later becoming an advisor after graduating college. She became a member of the parish council, at the age of 23, serving as secretary and fundraiser chair. Yannoula received a Bachelor of Science in Business and an MBA from Anna Maria College in Paxton, MA. She has lived in Waterford, CT for the last 32 years with her husband George and their two children, Gregory and Amanda, where they attended church at St. Sophia in New London, CT. While a parishioner at St. Sophia, Yannoula has served as choir member, GOYA advisor, Dance Troup Chair, Festival Co-Chair, President, V.P., Treasurer, and Asst. Treasurer of the Parish Council and Treasurer of the local Philoptochos chapter as well as a two year term on the Metropolis Philoptochos board.