



SAINT SOPHIA GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

THE BISHOP'S THRONE. From this seat, situated always in the south chancel, the ranking prelate presides over services. The throne is symbolic of episcopal authority by which the Greek Church is governed. In the rear panel of the canopy is a representation of Christ the High Priest, and below it the ancient device of the Byzantine Empire, the two-headed eagle, suggestive of watchfulness. The lions have reference to Revelation 5:5—" . . . the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

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