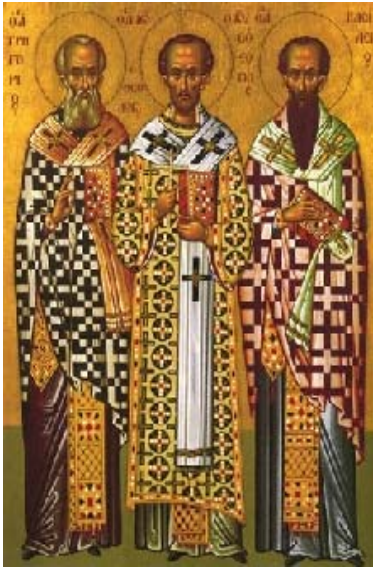


# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, January 29, 2017

The Canaanite



**Translation of the Relics of  
St. Ignatius the Godbearer  
St. Laurence of the Kiev Caves**

## *Apolytikion of the Day (Grave Tone)*

Thou didst abolish death by Thy Cross; Thou didst open Paradise to the thief; Thou didst transform the myrrh-bearers' lamentation, and didst bid Thine Apostles to preach that Thou art risen, O Christ God, granting great mercy to the world.

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον, ἠνέωξας τῷ Ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον, τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρήνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Αποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

## *Apolytikion of Saint Katherine the Great Martyr (1<sup>st</sup> Tone)*

The all-blessed bride of Christ let us extoll in song, Katherine the divine and protectress of Sinai, the assistance and helper of all of us; for she muzzled brilliantly, the ungodly clever men, by the power of the Spirit. And now crowned as Martyr, she pleads great mercy for all of you.

Τὴν πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστοῦ υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν τὴν θείαν καὶ πολιούχον Σινά, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν. Ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κομπσοὺς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τὴ δυνάμει. Καὶ νῦν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πάσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

## *Kontakion of the Day (1<sup>st</sup> Tone)*

Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth in troubled times and strengthen those in authority, whom You love, as only the loving One.

Ὁ μήτραν παρθενηκὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεὼν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστέ ὁ Θεός. Ἄλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλόανθρωπος.

## ***Epistle Reading***

*The Lord will give strength to his people.  
Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord honor and glory.  
The reading is from Saint Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1** – BRETHREN, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

## ***Gospel Reading***

**Matthew 15:21-28** – At that time, Jesus went to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." And he answered, "It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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**Save the Date to attend Tastes of the Mediterranean – February 10, 2017, 7:00 p.m., Meletis Charuhas Center.** Please join Helle Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope for an evening of wine tasting, delicious appetizers, and live Greek music. Proceeds benefit Fisher House Foundation and other DOP Philanthropies. Cost: \$30.00. Contact Karen Polizos, 571-434-7790, or Rosalie Georgeadis, 703-532-1723. Advance reservations required. We are planning another successful event and appreciate your support!

**Safety Notice** – Please be reminded that during inclement weather, the front entrance of the church will be closed until such time as the safety railings are installed. On such occasions, please use the side entrance.

**St. Katherine's Bookstore** – Come to our first annual Cheese fare Book Fair on Sunday 26 February and pick out a book to enrich your Lenten experience! We will be offering for one day only gently used and almost new books--\$5 for paperbacks and \$10 for hard covers. You will be able to choose from readings from church elders, homilies on the place of animals in Orthodox theology, and short stories on the lives of Orthodox saints among other books. If you have items you would like to donate to the Book Fair, feel free to bring them by the bookstore. Consider also this Lent purchasing a new icon. We will be discounting our in-stock icons 15 percent on the Sunday of Orthodoxy (5 March). Our stock includes many beautiful icons of Christ, the Theotokos, major saints, and guardian angels. Remember we now can take credit card payments.

**Our Ladies Philoptochos invite all seniors to its Annual Valentine's Day Luncheon** at the Meletis Charuhas Center, on Thursday, February 9, from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. Kindly, make your reservations by calling Mary Drakoulis, at (703) 273-4159, or, e-mail at: [Marydrak3@gmail.com](mailto:Marydrak3@gmail.com). Or, the President, Eleni Kanakos, at (703) 938-8360, or, e-mail at [ekanakos@aol.com](mailto:ekanakos@aol.com).

## *Announcements*

**Memorial Services** are offered this morning for **Sophia Pieri**, daughter of Peter and Patricia Pieri; and for **Panagiotis Silis**, husband of Mrs. Calliope Silis, and father of Thomas, George and Manny Silis; and for **Konstantina Kokkinithou**, mother of Calliope Silis and Eftychia Kiros. May their memory be eternal!

**Coffee Hour** is sponsored this morning by the Pieri, Silis and Kiros families in memory of their loved ones.

**Memorial Service Procedures** – A Memorial Service requires a donation of \$175.00. Your sponsorship includes coffee set up, 100 koulourakia, 100 paximathia, putting koliva in cups and clean up after the event. Checks should be made out to: Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church (please make payment in advance). Please remember to schedule the actual memorial service with the Church office.

**Project Mexico 2017** – Our group registration for Home Building 2017 has been confirmed for **August 16-August 22** for 10 participants. If you are interested in going, please contact Bill or Eleni Porter at [beporter1@verizon.net](mailto:beporter1@verizon.net).

**Journey to Orthodoxy** – This is a reminder that the “Journey to Orthodoxy” class for adults meets 9:00-10:00 a.m. Sunday (before Liturgy, concurrently with the Sunday School). The class is designed for non-Orthodox inquirers into Orthodoxy as well as for Orthodox Christians who want to know more about the teachings, practices, history, and contemporary life of our Orthodox Church. It is also recommended for intending or newly married couples, especially where one spouse is not Orthodox. The class is held in an informal discussion format. Text is provided. We meet at in the Seniors’ Kentro room on the ground floor of Founders’ Hall. For further information contact the teachers, John Demakis [demakis9931@gmail.com](mailto:demakis9931@gmail.com) or Jim Jatras [heraclius13@gmail.com](mailto:heraclius13@gmail.com), (202) 375-1007.

**Women’s Book Club** – Please join us on Wednesday, February 1, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Meletis Charuhas Center in the room two doors from the church office. We are reading “The Way of a Pilgrim and The Pilgrim Continued His Way”. The book is available for purchase on Amazon and the Church Bookstore. It’s not too late to join the club. For further information contact Despina Raizes at [2draizes@gmail.com](mailto:2draizes@gmail.com) or (703) 216-8176.

**Apokreatiko Glendi** – Please join us for an elegant, fun, and family friendly evening on February 18, 2017 for the 2017 Saint Katherine Greek School Annual Apokreatiko Glendi. (February 19 is the snow date). There will be mezethes, dinner, Greek dancing, best costume prizes, balloon twisting, a photo booth, and face painting. There will be wonderful raffle prizes, including a Fitbit Blaze, Apple TV, Vineyard Tour and Wine Tasting, and many more. Tickets can be purchased NOW at DC Greeks at [www.dcgreeks.com](http://www.dcgreeks.com). Hope to see you there!

**JOY (Junior Orthodox Youth, ages 8-12)** – Have fun with friends at Bowl America Fairfax (9699 Fairfax Boulevard) on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Please contact [Vaitsa.Bousbouras@yahoo.com](mailto:Vaitsa.Bousbouras@yahoo.com) to RSVP by March 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Padeia Bilingual Kindergarten** – Hellenic Education Center (3149 Glen Carlyn Rd., Falls Church, VA 22041). Come learn the advantages of our unique Kindergarten program: Curriculum based in scientific inquiry, Low teacher: student ratio with highly qualified staff, Greek language immersion, Christian values and tradition, On-site before and after care. For more information: [www.stkherc.org](http://www.stkherc.org), 703-671-7715 or [ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com](mailto:ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com).

**Moms, Pops and Tots** will have a potluck brunch on Saturday, February 18, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Senior Hall. All children up to four years old and parents are welcome. Please join us for this fellowship for both children and adults. For more information, please contact Irene Sakkas at (703) 338-8823 or [irenesakkas@gmail.com](mailto:irenesakkas@gmail.com).

**Scholarship Opportunity for Graduating Seniors!** The 2017 Washington Metropolitan Area AHEPA/DOP Scholarship Application is available now in the Church office. Completed Applications are due March 31<sup>st</sup>. Donor applications are also available. Awards will be presented at the Annual Banquet in May 2017. For more information, please contact Karen Polizos, (571) 434-7790.



## Church Services

Monday, January 30	<i>The Three Hierarchs</i> – Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Thursday, February 2	<i>The Presentation of our Lord</i> – Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, February 5	<i>Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee – Triodion begins.</i> Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, February 12	<i>Sunday of the Prodigal Son</i> – Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, February 18	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of Souls</i> – Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, February 19	<i>Meatfare (Judgment) Sunday</i> – Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

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**Offertory Prayer.** O God, as you welcomed the gifts of Abel, the sacrifices of Noah and Abraham, the incense of Aaron and Zachariah, do welcome also, from the hands of us sinners, these offerings, so that in clear conscience we may always offer to you gifts and the resources of our labor, for your glorification, for the alleviation of sufferings and hunger, for the ministry to your people, by the grace, mercy and philanthropy of your only begotten Son with whom You are blessed from ages to ages. Amen.

**Προσευχή Προσφοράς.** Ω Θεέ, όπως δέχθηκες τα δώρα του Άβελ, τις θυσίες του Νώε και του Αβραάμ, το θυμίαμα του Ααρών και του Ζαχαρία, ας δεχθείς από τα αμαρτωλά μας χέρια και τις προσφορές αυτές έτσι, ώστε πάντοτε να μπορούμε να σου προσφέρουμε δώρα και τους κόπους της εργασίας μας για την δόξα Σου, προς ελάφρυνση των δοκιμασιών και της πείνας, προς διακονία του λαού Σου, προς συγχώρηση των αμαρτιών και εξιλασμό του λαού σου, με την χάρη, το έλεος και φιλανθρωπία του μονογενούς Σου Υιού. Ευλογημένο να είναι το όνομά Σου εις τον αιώνα. Αμήν.

The Sunday bulletin is available online in two formats--a PDF copy of the bulletin handed out in church and an online version with much more information. Please take a moment to check them out by visiting:

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