

Saint Greek Orthodox Church



Sunday, February 19, 2012
Judgment (Meatfare) Sunday
St. Philemon, St. Archippos of the 70
St. Philothea Martyr of Athens

Apolytikion of the Day (3rd Tone)

Ευφραινέσθω τα ουράνια, αγαλλιάσθω τα επίγεια, ότι εποίησε κράτος, εν βραχίονι αυτού, ο Κύριος. Επάτησε τω θανάτω τον θάνατον. Πρωτότοκος των νεκρών εγένετο. Εκ κοιλίας Ἄδου ερρύσατο ημάς, και παρέσχε τω κόσμω το μέγα έλεος.

Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and He granted the world His great mercy.

Apolytikion of Saint Katherine the Great Martyr (1st Plagios Tone)

Την πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστού υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημών και αντίληπνιν, ότι εφίμωσε λαμπρώς, τους κομψούς των ασεβών, του Πνεύματος τη δυνάμει. Και ως μάρτυς του Κυρίου στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι, το μέγα έλεος.

The all-blessed bride of Christ let us extol 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 us.

Kontakion of the Day (3rd Tone)

Όταν έλθης ο Θεός, επί γης μετά δόξης, και τρέμωσι τα σύμπαντα, ποταμός δε του πυρός, προ του βήματος έλκη, και βίβλοι ανοίγονται, και κρυπτά δημοσιεύονται, τότε ρύσαι με, εκ του πυρός του ασβέστου, αξίωσον, εκ δεξιών σου με στήναι, Κριτά δικαιοτάτε.

When you come, O God, upon the earth with glory, and the universe will tremble, and the river of fire will bring us before your judgment seat, and the books will be opened, and the secrets will be published, then deliver me from the unquenchable fire, and count me worthy, to stand on your right, O most righteous Judge.

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Epistle Reading

The Lord is my strength and my song. The Lord has chastened me sorely.

The reading is from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

1st Corinthians 8:8-13, 9:1-2 –Brethren, food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. Only take care lest this liberty of yours somehow becomes a stumbling block to the weak. For if any one sees you, a man of knowledge, at table in an idol's temple, might he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak man is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother's failing, I will never eat meat, lest I cause my brother to fall. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not you my workmanship in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

Gospel Reading

Luke 25:31-46 – The Lord said: “When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the King will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you? And the King will answer them, “Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.’ And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

Teenage Lenten Retreat – Saint Katherine will host a TEENAGE LENTEN RETREAT on Saturday, March 17. Andrew Pavlakos and Theodore Cherpas, students at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, will be the retreat leaders. Please mark this date on your calendar. Details will be posted on our church's website, in the DOXA, in the Sunday bulletin, and on flyers posted around the church and handed out during Sunday School. All teenagers of our community are encouraged to attend.

The Daughters of Penelope will hold their fourth annual tea on Sunday, April 29 at the Meletis Charuhas Center. The event will start at 2:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending or hosting a table, please contact Elvira Garnett (703) 425-3675, Cathy Cavallo (703) 978-1539 or Jane Moore (540) 371-8108. The cost of the tea is \$35.00 payable to DOP Helle Chapter #283. No tickets will be sold at the door.

If you are interested in participating in a study, documentary and potential book as part of an International Baccalaureate Project by adopting a healthy, rescued Cypriot kitten please call or email Antonia Ioannou at tonya634@hotmail.com or (571)830-7983, (703)550-7199 or visit the project webpage: www.wix.com/anioannou/fleur-for-change.

Announcements

GOYA has church duty today during second Liturgy. Vasiliki Topping is the GOYA captain and will read the Epistle in Greek. Five other GOYAnS will join her in the administration of various church duties.

Memorial Service is offered this morning for **Bessie (Billie) Edwards**, mother of Thalia Scott, Basil and Gregory Edwards. May her memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is sponsored this morning by Mr. & Mrs. Joe Scott and family in memory of her beloved mother, Bessie (Billie) Edwards.

GOYA is selling ads for their Tournament Ad Book through April 6. Please contact Mrs. Campbell at frangool23@yahoo.com if you want to place an ad or have any questions. She will be available after Liturgy most Sundays. The costs are \$50.00 for a half-page ad, \$30.00 for a half-page ad, and/or \$25.00 for a business card-sized ad. (Our GOYA's Basketball Tournament will be held April 21-22. Please mark the dates on your calendar and join us.)

Annual AHEPA Scholarship Awards – The 43rd Annual Washington Metropolitan Area Scholarship Awards program is accepting applications from high school seniors affiliated with the AHEPA family or the Greek Orthodox Church in the greater DC area. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, have participated in extracurricular activities and/or sports, and be graduating from a DC-area high school. Applications are due on Friday, April 6 and the scholarship awards program will be held on Sunday, May 20 in Rockville, MD. For more information about how to apply, please contact Karen Polizos at (571) 434-7790 or at polik@cof.org. If you would like to make a donation to defray the costs of the program, or to award an individual scholarship, please contact Karen Polizos. You may also obtain a student scholarship application at the Church office and through St. Katherine's website.

Greek School – The Ellinomathia Exams will take place again this year in our school on May 14, 15, and 16, 2012. The levels are: A1 (for children 8-12), A1 (for adults), A2, B1, B2, C1 and C2. Registration is taking place now till March 21. For information and applications please contact Sophia Tsangali, the principal, at (703) 671-1515 or stsangali@stkchurch.com.

Our Church needs prosphoro for every Divine Liturgy. If you can make prosphoro, please call Mrs. Niki Papasavva at (703) 764-9746.

The St. Katherine 2012 Vacation Bible Camp will take place this year from June 25-June 29. Registration begins today Sunday, February 19. If you have any questions please contact Daphne Papamichael at cyprusd@aol.com or Christina Vazquez at czvmail@aol.com. Applications will be available next week in the Narthex and they can be emailed to you electronically.

Saturday AM Bible Study: Suffering among the Saints – The Book of Job – *“Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil,”* so God says to Satan in the opening chapter of this Old Testament book. Yet Job is tried and suffers mightily through the loss of his family, his health, and the goodwill of others. Sound familiar? Why do bad things happen to good people? Our study group will dig into the book's powerful poetry as we discuss Job's questions in light of the Church's teaching and healing missions. When: Eight Saturday morning sessions began February 4, 2012, 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Drop-ins are always welcome! Where: The boardroom on lower level of the Meletis Charuhas hall (education building). For more information, contact Gregory McKinney at (571) 338-6929.

Call to Missions: Old Harbor, Alaska, June 27-July 7, 2012 – The Mission Committee is organizing a pan-Orthodox team to travel to the village of Old harbor on beautiful Kodiak Island. We are looking for a few good folks to help with floor tiling, light electrical work, carpentry and landscaping at the Church – as well as a few cooks and catechists to support the project. The trip is open to both sexes, including teens accompanied by a parent; space is limited. Team members should expect basic accommodations, simple meals, daily worship, meeting nice people, and a full day's work. We will also join the village in celebrating the Fourth of July, their biggest event of the year. For more information, please contact Gregory McKinney at (571) 338-6929.

Church Services

Saturday, February 25

2nd Saturday of Souls – Β΄ Ψυχοσάββατον

Orthros 9:30 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, February 26

Forgiveness (Cheesefare) Sunday

Κυριακή της Συγχωρήσεως(της Τυρινής)

1st Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.

Orthros/Youth and Adult Catechism 9:30 a.m.

2nd Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.

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.



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