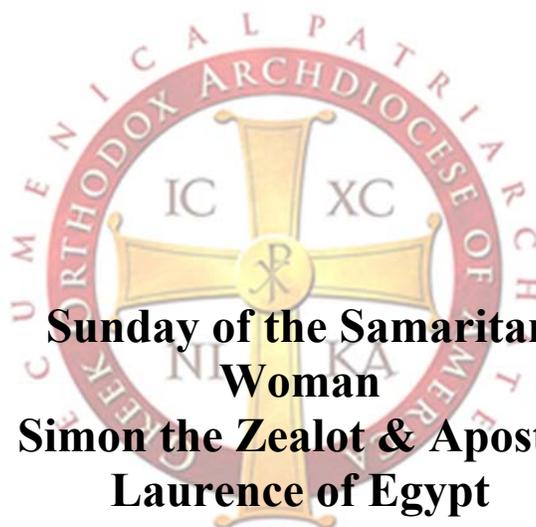


# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, May 10, 2015



## Sunday of the Samaritan Woman Simon the Zealot & Apostle Laurence of Egypt

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

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs, He has granted life.

Χριστός ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω θάνατον πατήσας, και τοις εν τοις μνήμασι ζώνη χαρισάμενος.

### *Apolytikion of the Day (4<sup>th</sup> Tone)*

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Ange; the joyful message of the Resurrection and the rejection of the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly. Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world

Το φαιδρόν της Αναστάσεως κήρυγμα, εκ του Αγγέλου μαθούσαι αι του Κυρίου μαθήτριαι, και την προγονικην απόφασιν απορρίψασαι, τοις Αποστόλοις καυχώμεναι έλεγον. Εσκύλευται ο θάνατος, ηγέρθη Χριστός ο Θεός, δωρούμενος τω κόσμω το μέγα έλεος.

### *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.

Την πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστού υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημών και αντίληψιν. Ότι επίμωσε λαμπρώς, τους κομψούς των ασεβών, του Πνεύματων τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ως Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα έλεος.

### *Kontakion of the Day (4<sup>th</sup> Plagios Tone)*

Though You went down into the tomb, You destroyed Hades' power, and You rose the victor, Christ God, saying to the Myrrh-bearing women. Hail, and granting peace to Your disciples, You who raise up the fallen.

Ει και εν τάφω κατήλθες αθάνατε, αλλά του Άδου καθείλες την δύναμιν, και ανέστης ως νικητής, Χριστέ ο Θεός, γυναιξί Μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος. Χαίρετε, και τοις σοις Αποστόλοις ειρήνην δωρούμενος, ο τοις πεσούσι παρέχων ανάστασιν.

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## Epistle Reading

*O Lord, how magnificent are your works. You have made all things in wisdom. Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

*The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles.*

**Acts 11:19-30** – In those days, those apostles who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians.

Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them name Agabos stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea; and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

## Gospel Reading

**John 4:5-42** – At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband,' for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him.

Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest?' I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; other have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony. "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."

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**The Ladies Philoptochos of Saint Katherine** would like to let you know that they have *koulourakia* and *paximathia* available all year long. Please contact Mary Varlas at (703) 965-4161 or Eleni Kanakas at (703) 969-8364.

## *Announcements*

***Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen! Χριστός Ανέστη! Αληθώς Ανέστη!***

**Memorial Services** are offered this morning for **Konstantinos Stoubos**, husband of Mrs. Vasiliki Stoumbos, and brother of Tom Stoumbos; and for **Chrissi Fasaraki**, mother of Niki Louvros. May their memory be eternal!

**Coffee Hour** is sponsored this morning by the Stoumbos and Louvros families in memory of their loved ones.

**Happy Mother's Day!** The carnations that will be given to mothers in church and the cake at the coffee hour are offered by our Philoptochos to honor all mothers of our parish. *Χρόνια Πολλά!*

**Parents are reminded** that *children are not allowed to play on the stage* in the Meletis Charuhas Center during Coffee Hour or other social gatherings. We ask your assistance to prevent injury to the children and damage to curtains and other equipment. Thank you.

**New Candle Prices** – The Parish Council has approved the following changes to candles available at the pangaria: Red votive candles - \$10; large white candles - \$5; small candles -\$1 (no change). Prices are effective in April.

**The 2015 Saint Katherine Vacation Bible Camp** needs teachers and volunteers! Please contact Vicki Mowery at (703) 913-3178 or [mowerycrew@gmail.com](mailto:mowerycrew@gmail.com), or Eleni Porter at (703) 913-0962 or [beporter@verizon.net](mailto:beporter@verizon.net) if you are interested. Camp will take place June 22-26, 2015, 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., ages 4-14. **Registration is still open!** Vacation Bible Camp is a unique opportunity for our Orthodox youth to come together in order to enhance their understanding of our faith. Please help us make this a memorable week for our youth. Registration forms are available at the narthex. (Sponsored by AHEPA Chapter #438).

**HEC** will offer a 7-week period of summer fun to 3 - 5 year-old children in our Summer Camp Program, June 29 - August 14, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. For more information, please contact the director at [ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com](mailto:ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com).

**Food Pantry** – Our next collection for the food pantry mission at our neighbor church, Columbia Baptist Crossroads on Glen Carlyn Road, will be on Sunday, May 17. Blue cloth bags with a list of suggested donations will be handed out this morning. Thank you for your contributions for the destitute, which have been totaling a thousand pounds of food per collection. We also welcome your help in taking the food to Columbia Baptist and shelving it on Sunday, May 17 at 10:30 a.m. If you would like to be involved, contact Marilyn Rouvelas at [mrouvelas@verizon.net](mailto:mrouvelas@verizon.net).

**The Yard Sale by our Philoptochos** will take place on Saturday, May 16, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at St. Katherine's Founders' hall. Please bring your items that you do not need and are clean and in good condition by Friday, May 15. For more information please contact Mrs. Trish Kapsidelis at (703) 356-5905.

**Save the date: The Philoptochos Annual Dinner** will be on June 9, at 6:00 p.m., at Anthony's Restaurant in Falls Church. Complete dinner – mezethakia, entrée, wine, dessert, etc., including gratuity \$30.00 per person. Additional information to follow.

**Gentle Exercise Class** – Reduce stress, lower blood pressure, gain flexibility, balance and circulation. Class includes deep breathing, stretching, balance, meditation and deep relaxation. Open to men and women of all ages and all fitness levels. 6 weeks for \$60.00, drop-in's \$12.00, payable to Saint Katherine. Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m., May 6 through June 10, held at Saint Katherine in large classroom across from board room. Bring a yoga mat, cushion and blanket. For further information contact Tina Ligelis at (703) 845-0520 or [LigelisCPA@aol.com](mailto:LigelisCPA@aol.com).

**SAINT KATHERINE SPRING 215 GREEK FESTIVAL – JUNE 5, 6 and 7 – Please get involved! Our Spring Festival is made possible by the combined efforts of many volunteers just like you! The success of our Festival depends on the support of all parishioners. Proceeds from our Festival assist Saint Katherine in continuing its ministries and programs. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Andrea Ballard at (703) 250-5419 or [andreaballard1@verizon.net](mailto:andreaballard1@verizon.net).**

## Church Services

Sunday, May 17

**Sunday of the Blind Man – Κοριακή του Τυφλού**

Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

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

Thursday, May 21

**The Holy Ascension – Της Αναλήψεως**

**Sts. Constantine and Helen, Equal-to-the Apostles**

**Αγ. Κωνσταντίνου και Ελένης των Ισαποστόλων**

Orthros 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.

**Please note:**

Two Liturgies next Sunday, May 17.

One Liturgy on Sundays, May 24, and May 31.

One Liturgy on Sundays of June, July, August and until September 13.

**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 εξίλασμό 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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