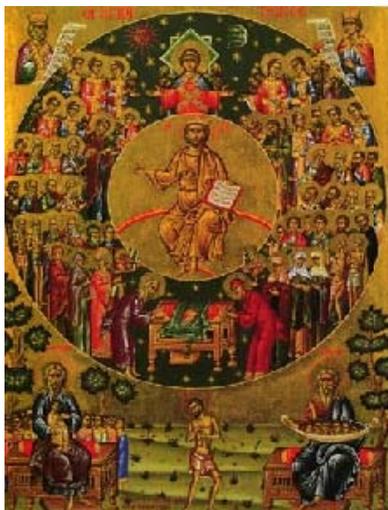


Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, June 26, 2016

ALL SAINTS



Saint David of Thessaloniki
The Icon of Theotokos of Tikhvin

Apolytikion of the Day (4th Plagal Tone)

From on high didst Thou descend, O Compassionate One; to burial of three days hast Thou submitted that Thou mightiest free us from our passions. O our Life and Resurrection, Lord, glory be to Thee.

Εξ ὕψους κατήλθες ο εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν καταδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ελευθερώσης των παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ Ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Apolytikion of All Saints (4th Tone)

Your Church, O Christ our God, clothed itself in the blood of Your martyrs from throughout the world, as though it were a robe of linen and purple; through them, she cries out to You, "Send down upon Your people compassion, grant peace to Your commonwealth, and to our souls, great mercy."

Τῶν ἐν ὅλῳ τῷ κόσμῳ Μαρτύρων σου, ὡς πορφύραν καὶ βύσσον τα αἵματα, ἡ Ἐκκλησία σου στολισαμένη, δι' αὐτῶν βοᾶ σοι, Χριστέ ο Θεός, τῷ λαῷ σου τους οἰκτιρμούς σου κατάπεμψον, εἰρήνην τῇ πολιτεία σου δώρησαι, καὶ ταις ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Apolytikion of Saint Katherine the Great Martyr (1st 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 ὑμνήσωμεν, Αἰκατερίναν τὴν θεῖαν καὶ πολιοῦχον Σινά, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν. Ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τους κομψούς των ασεβῶν, του Πνεύματος τῇ δυνάμει. Καὶ νυν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πάσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Kontakion of the Day (4th Plagal Tone)

As the first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, the world presenteth the God-Bearing martyred Saints in offering unto Thee, O Lord. Through their earnest entreaties, keep Thy Church in deep peace and divine tranquility, through the pure Theotokos, O Thou Who art greatly merciful.

Ὡς ἀπαρχὰς τῆς φύσεως, τῷ φυτουργῷ τῆς κτίσεως, ἡ οἰκουμένη προσφέρει σοι Κύριε, τους θεοφόρους Μάρτυρας, ταις αὐτῶν ἰκεσίαις, ἐν εἰρήνῃ βαθεῖα, τὴν Ἐκκλησίαν σου, διὰ τῆς Θεοτόκου συντήρησον, πολυέλεε.

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Epistle Reading

God is wonderful among his saints.

Bless God in the congregations.

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

Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2 – BRETHREN, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30 – THE LORD SAID to his disciples, "Everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me."

Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?"

Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

Announcements

Memorial Service is offered this morning for **Eleni Johnnides**, mother of Christianna, Marianna and Euripides. May her memory be eternal!

Philoptochos – To sponsor Coffee Hour after a Memorial Service is a \$175.00 donation. It will include set up coffee, 100 koulourakia, 100 paximathia, putting koliva in cups and cleaning up. Donations need to be sent to Saint Katherine's in advance. Please write checks to: *Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church*. Parishioners will call the church first for the date and all their information and then, they can contact Mary Varlas at (703) 965-4161 or Eleni Kanakos at (703) 969-8364.

Congratulations! This morning we will present to Mihail Ziu, son of Mr. John and Dr. Elena Ziu, the Saint George Scouting medal! Kai eis anoterá, Mihail!

Vacation Bible Camp begins tomorrow, Monday, June 27th through Friday, July 1st, 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Children will meet each morning in church for a short prayer. Please be there at 10:30 a.m. For any questions, please contact mowerycrew@gmail.com or bepor1@verizon.net. God bless all our campers!

Need for Catechetical School Teachers – A few of our dearly loved Sunday School teachers will be stepping down after many years of service. As a result, we need stewards who are willing to fill these openings for the continued Christian Education of our children. We are looking to fill these positions for the 2016-2017 school year, so please contact Bill and/or Elaine Porter at bepor1@verizon.net ASAP. Thank you in advance!

The Saint Katherine HEC Greek School is leading an initiative to include Modern Greek as part of the Fairfax County “credit by exam” program. To do so, we need to collect 200 names of FCPS junior high and high school students who know Greek. If we are successful, our children can obtain high school credit for their knowledge of Greek. If you or your child is currently enrolled in grades 6-12 in a FCPS school and know Greek, please contact pelekasisgreece@yahoo.com to provide your/your child's information so we can collect the 200 names.

Kindergarten Teacher – The Hellenic Education Center in Falls Church is seeking for an English language teacher for its inaugural kindergarten class for 2016-2017. This is a 6 time position (4.5 hours daily) in a Greek immersion program. This position can be turned into a full time position by adding a preschool class or before/after care responsibilities, according to the candidate's preference. Learn more about our school at ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com or www.stkhec.org.

Monumental Missions Walk, October 15, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Save the date! The tent will be set up on the DC Mall near 3rd/4th Streets, next to the American Indian Museum. The 2-3 mile walk will go past the Capital and other monuments/memorials in the area. Please consider picking up a registration form/sponsor sheet available after church and ask family and friends to sponsor you for the walk. Help us raise funds for OCMC and local VA charities, while walking with other Orthodox Christians. Checks should be made out to Saint Katherine Church, with “Monumental Missions Walk 2016” in the memo line. If questions, email Eleni Porter at bepor1@verizon.net.

Orthodox Youth Day at Kings Dominion – The June 28 Regional Orthodox Youth Day at Kings Dominion will not take place. Fr. Costa will try to organize a day at Kings Dominion with our local churches later this summer. If it comes to fruition, the information will be in the Sunday bulletins and mailed to our listserv.

Pray – Volunteer – Donate! Focus North America Summer Feeding – Childhood hunger is a problem that affects over 21 million children in the United States. In the District of Columbia alone, 13.2% of all households are food insecure. For two weeks this summer the Orthodox Churches of D.C. will serve over 15,000 meals to children who suffer from childhood hunger. Volunteer are needed to prepare and distribute meals. We need you **June 27 – September 2!** Sign up to volunteer at WWW.FOCUSNORTHAMERICA.ORG/WASHINGTONDC. For questions email or call DC@FOCUSNA.ORG, 866-267-3083.

Happy and Safe 4th of July!

Church Services

Monday, June 27	<i>Apostles Fast Begins – Αρχεται η νηστεία των Αποστόλων</i>
Wednesday, June 29	<i>Holy Apostles Peter and Paul – Των Αγίων Αποστόλων Πέτρου και Παύλου</i> Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, July 3	<i>2nd Sunday of Matthew – Β΄ Κυριακή Ματθαίου</i> Orthros 9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, July 10	<i>3rd Sunday of Matthew – Γ΄ Κυριακή Ματθαίου</i> Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, July 16	<i>Challenge Liturgy</i> at Saint George, Bethesda, MD 9:00 a.m.
Sunday, July 17	<i>Sunday of the Holy Fathers – Κυριακή των Αγίων Πατέρων</i> Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 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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