Sunday, May 30, 2021,
of the Samaritan Woman

St. Isaakios, Founder and Martyr
of the Monastery of Dalmaton
St. Emmelia, mother of
St. Basil the Great

Apolytikion of Great and Holy Pascha (1st Plagal 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 ζωήν χαρισάμενος.

Apolytikion of the Day (4th Tone)
The joyful news of Your resurrection was told to the women disciples of the Lord by the angel. Having thrown off the ancestral curse, and boasting, they told the Apostles: Death has been vanished, Christ our God is risen granting to the world great mercy.
-Το φαιδρόν της Αναστάσεως κήρυγμα, εκ του Αγγέλου μαθούσαι αι του Κυρίου μαθήτριαι, και την προγονικήν απόφασιν απορρίψασαι, τοις Αποστόλοις καυχώμεναι έλεγον:  Εσκύλευται ο θάνατος, ηγέρθη Χριστός ο Θεός, δωρούμενος το κόσμο τω μέγα έλεος.

Apolytikion of Saint Katherine the Great Martyr (1st Tone)
-Let us praise the all lauded and noble bride of Christ, the godly Katherine, the guardian of Sinai and its defense, who is also our support, assistance and our help; for with the Holy Spirit's sword she hath silenced brilliantly the clever among the godless; and being crowned as a Martyr, she now does ask great mercy for us all.
-Την πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστού υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημών και αντίληψιν.  Ότι εφίμωσε λαμπρώς, τους κομψούς των ασεβών, του Πνεύματος τη δυνάμει.  Και νυν ως Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα έλεος.

Kontakion of the Day (4th Plagal 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!
-Ει και εν τάφω κατήλθες αθάνατε, αλλά του Άδου καθήλες την δύναμιν, και ανέστης ως νικητής, Χριστέ ο Θεός, γυναιξί μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος, χαίρετε, και τοις σοις Αποστόλοις ειρήνην δωρούμενος, ο τοις πεσούσι παρέχουν ανάστασιν.
Epistle Reading

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

The reading is from 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 all 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 named 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 you 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; others 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 ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."
Memorial Services are offered this morning for Crystallo Papamichael (40-days), sister-in-law of Mrs. Mamie Papamichael and aunt of Daphne and Tina Papamichael; for Andrey Nagorny (15 years), father of Anna Gan; and for Peter and Anna Yanowsky (45 years), uncle and aunt of Betty and John Slanta. May their memory be eternal!

Journey to Orthodoxy – Beginning Monday, February 1, the “Journey to Orthodoxy” class for adults resumes ONLINE Via Zoom, on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00pm Eastern Time. 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, this class is also recommended for intending or newly married couples, especially where one spouse is not Orthodox. The class follows an informal discussion format. For further information, and to receive links class materials and to be placed on the Zoom invitation list, please contact the teachers, John Demakis demakis9931@gmail.com, Jim Jatras heraclius13@gmail.com, 202-375-1007, or the Zoom technical coordinator James Class, classj@gmail.com.

Adult Bible Studies class – In this time of social distancing, let us continue our weekly Adult Bible Studies online. Join us each Thursday evening at 7:00pm. We will take up a new topic each week on Thursdays, with: “What is the Meaning of Resurrection?”

Catechetical Lectures of Saint Cyril of Jerusalem – A Greek Bible Study led by Professor Ioannis Gkigkitzis. The Adult Catechism and Sacraments class “Catechetical Lecture of Saint Cyril” is taking place every Tuesday online at 7:15 p.m. This includes time for discussion and fellowship.

Greek School Graduation – Greek School Graduation will take place on Saturday, June 12 at 1:00a.m. in the big hall. Students must be in class, usual time at 9:30am. Following the program, a reception will take place with cake and refreshments. Please check our Church’s website for a 2021-2022 registration form, www.saint-katherines.org. For more information on our Saint Katherine’s Greek School please contact Sophia Tsangali at 703-671-1515 or stsangali@stkchurch.com.

Saint Katherine Day School – We are excited to announce that the Saint Katherine Day School is now open and accepting enrollments. We currently offer part-time (3 days/week) and full-time (5 days/week) options for children between the ages 2 to 5. Should you have any questions, or wish to enroll in our program, please feel free to reach out to us at hec-administraton@stkchurch.com or 703-671-7715.

Camp Good Shepherd – Virginia 2021 – July 4th–July 10th. Ages: completed 5th grade-12th grade. For questions, please email cgsvirginia@gmail.com or call Fr. John Manuel at 804-615-9065. Official Registration info will be sent out soon. Stay tuned!
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. Ο Θεός, όπως δέχθηκε 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 γιά την δόξα Σου, προς ελάφρυνση των δοκιμασιών και της πείνας, προς συγχώρηση των αμαρτιών και εξιλασμό του λαού Σου, με την χάρη, το άλεος και φιλανθρωπία του μονογενούς Σου Υιού. Ευλογημένο να είναι το όνομά Σου εις τον αἰώνα. Αμήν.

Church Services

Sunday, May 30  The Samaritan Woman – Orthros 9:00am; Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Monday, May 31  Memorial Day – Trisagion Prayers at the National Memorial Park 10:00am
Sunday, June 6  Sunday of the Blind Man – Orthros 9:00am; Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Thursday, June 10  The Holy Ascension – Orthros 9:00am; Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Sunday, June 13  Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council – Orthros 9:00am; Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Saturday, June 19  Saturday of Souls – Orthros 9:00am; Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Sunday, June 20  THE HOLY PENTECOST – Orthros 9:00am; Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Thursday, June 24  Father’s Day
Sunday, June 27  All Saints – Orthros 9:00am; Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Monday, June 28  Apostles Fast Begins
Tuesday, June 29  Saints Peter and Paul – Orthros 9:00am; Divine Liturgy 10:00am

Sunday Services and Weekday Services:  Orthros 9:00am and Divine Liturgy 10:00am

The Sunday bulletin is available online at http://www.saint-katherines.org/about_us/sunday-bulletins.

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