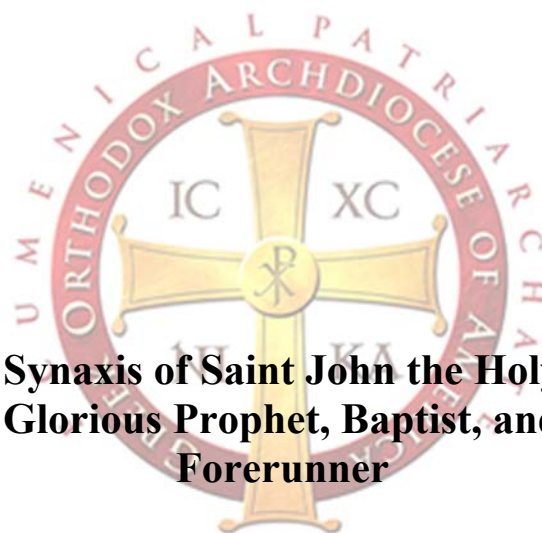


Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, January 7, 2018



Synaxis of Saint John the Holy Glorious Prophet, Baptist, and Forerunner

Apolytikion after Theophany (1st Tone)

Lord, when You were baptized in the Jordan, the veneration of the Trinity was revealed. For the voice of the Father gave witness to You, calling You Beloved, and the Spirit, in the guise of a dove, confirmed the certainty of His words. Glory to You, Christ our God, who appeared and enlightened the world.

Ἐν Ἰορδάνῃ βαπτιζομένου σου Κύριε, ἡ τῆς Τριάδος ἐφανερώθη προσκύνησις, τοῦ γὰρ Γεννήτορος ἡ φωνὴ προσεμαρτύρει σοί, ἀγαπητὸν σὲ Υἱὸν ὀνομάζουσα, καὶ τὸ Πνεῦμα ἐν εἶδει περιστεράς, ἐβεβαίον τοῦ λόγου τὸ ἀσφαλές. Ὁ ἐπιφανεῖς Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, καὶ τὸν κόσμον φωτίσας δόξα σοί.

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 νόμφην Χριστοῦ υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν τὴν θεῖαν καὶ πολιούχον Σινά, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν. Ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κομπούς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τὴν δυνάμει. Καὶ νυν ὡς Μάρτυρ στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πάσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Kontakion of Synaxis of St. John the Forerunner (2nd Plagal Tone)

The Jordan accepted Your presence in the flesh and reversed its course in fear. John, fulfilling the spiritual ministry, fell back in awe. The ranks of Angels, seeing You in the flesh, baptized in the river, were amazed, and all who were in darkness were filled with light, praising You who appeared and enlightened all.

Τὴν σωματικὴν σου παρουσίαν δεδοικῶς ὁ Ἰορδάνης, τρόμῳ ὑπεστρέφετο, τὴν πνευματικὴν δὲ λειτουργίαν ἐκπληρῶν ὁ Ἰωάννης, φόβῳ ὑπεστέλλετο, τῶν Ἀγγέλων αἱ τάξεις ἐξεπλήττοντο, ὁρώσαί σε ἐν ρεῖθροις σαρκὶ βαπτιζόμενον, καὶ πάντες οἱ ἐν τῷ σκότει καταηγάζοντο, ἀνυμνοῦντές σε τὸν φανέντα, καὶ φωτίσαντα τὰ πάντα.

Epistle Reading

The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord.

Oh God, hear my cry.

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 19:1-8 – In those days, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the upper country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. And he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they said, "No, we have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They said, "Into John's baptism." And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them; and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. There were about twelve of them in all. And he entered the synagogue and for three months spoke boldly, arguing and pleading about the kingdom of God.

Gospel Reading

John 1:29-34 – At that time, John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, for he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but for this I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John bore witness, "I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him; but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

GOYA

1/12 – FRI – 7:30pm – Washington Wizards Greek Heritage Night.

1/13-1/14 – SAT-SUN – GOYA NYC Trip: <http://evite.me/m3EH5xH83u>.

1/20-1/21 – SAT-SUN – Richmond GOYA Basketball Tournament

YAL

1/20 – SAT – 1-4pm – D/M/V YAL Museum of the Bible and Fellowship.

HOPE/JOY

1/25 – THU – 6:00pm – Movie Night! Downstairs Chelpon Hall.

Announcements

Memorial Service is offered this morning for **Denise Kyriakou**, mother of Catherine, George, Andronique, Helen, Gus, and Maria. May her memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is sponsored this morning by the Kyriakou family in memory of their beloved mother, Denise Kyriakou.

The cutting of Vasilopita will take place this morning at the end of the Divine Liturgy in church.

Journey to Orthodoxy – This is a reminder that the “Journey to Orthodoxy” class for adults meets 9-10 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 where one spouse is not Orthodox. The class is held in an informal discussion format. Text is provided. We meet in the Seniors’ Kentro room on the ground floor of founders’ Hall. For further information contact the teachers, John Demakis demakis9931@gmail.com or Jim Jatras heraclius13@gmail.com, 202-375-1007.

“Evzone Nutcracker”



AHEPA Christmas Ornaments – The Peter N. Derzis AHEPA Chapter #438 is proud to announce our Tenth Annual Community Christmas Ornament. These collectable ornaments have grown in popularity from year to year and they are available for purchase after church, during the coffee hour. Our latest limited edition ornament, entitled “Evzone Nutcracker” is a whimsical portrayal of a classic Christmas image with a Hellenic twist that is sure to delight young and old. Manufactured by the same firm that creates the famous White House Christmas ornaments, they make excellent gifts and are the ideal stocking stuffer. Your purchases help make our philanthropy in support of our community and Hellenic ideals possible! For additional information, call 703-671-7225.

2017 Parish Council Elections – Congratulations to the following members who were elected to run for a two year period, 2018-2019 in the Parish Council: **Andrea Ballard, Dr. Domenic Carr, Costas Mavromatakis, George Moshos, Bill Polizos, Effie Sarantis, Chris Snear, Craig Thomas, Steve Veletsis, and Maria Wills.** May God bless you!

Interested in going to project Mexico? – For the 5th time, our Church will sponsor a staying at the St. Innocent Orphanage. 15 spots have been reserved for our time, *and 3 are still available!* The trip costs \$1,700.00, which pays for the buildings supplies/materials, food, lodging, flights, and rental van into Mexico. If you are interested in going, please contact Bill Porter at beporter1@verizon.net or Nick Junes at njunes@stkchurch.com ASAP!

Mission and Outreach Committee – Our Mission and Outreach Committee will have its next regular meeting on Tuesday, January 9th, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. in the board room of our Community Center. We will be discussing our plans for 2018. All are welcome to attend.

Scholarship Opportunity for Graduating Seniors! – The 2018 Washington Metropolitan Area AHEPA/DOP Scholarship Application is available now in the Church Office. Completed Applications are due March 31st. Donor applications are also available. Awards will be presented at the Annual Banquet in May 2018. For more information, please contact Karen Polizos, (571) 434-7790.

Happy and Blessed New Year!
Χαρούμενη κι Ευλογημένη η Νέα Χρονιά!

Church Services

Sunday, January 14	<i>Sunday after Theophany</i> – Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, January 17	<i>St. Anthony the Great</i> – Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, January 21	<i>15th Sunday of Luke</i> – Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, January 25	<i>St. Gregory the Theologian</i> – Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, January 28	<i>Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee</i> , Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Tuesday, January 30	<i>The Three Hierarchs</i> – Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Services: Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Week Day Services: Orthros 9:30 a.m., 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 Αβελ, 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 at http://www.saint-katherines.org/about_us/sunday-bulletins.



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