Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



Sunday, January 21, 2018 15th Sunday of Luke



St. Maximos the Confessor Martyr Neophytos



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 mightest free us from our passions. O our Life and Resurrection, Lord, glory be to Thee.

Έξ ὕψους κατῆλθες ὁ εὕσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν καταδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσῃς τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ Ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

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.

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

Kontakion of the Day (1st Tone)

Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth in troubled times and strengthen those in authority, whom You love, as only the loving One.

Ό μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἁγιάσας τῶ τόκω σου, καὶ χείρας τοῦ Συμεὼν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νὺν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός. Ἀλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλάνθρωπος.

Epistle Reading

The saints shall rejoice in glory.

Sing to the Lord a new song.

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy.

1st Timothy 4:9-15 – Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and suffer reproach, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress

Gospel Reading

Luke 19:1-10 — At that time, Jesus was passing through Jericho. And there was a man named Zacchaios; he was a chief collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaios, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaios stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

Philoptochos – Ladies Philoptochos meeting immediately following the Divine Liturgy in the lecture room of the Meletis Charuhas Center, downstairs.

Annual Philoptochos Senior Valentine luncheon, Thursday February 8th. Please make your reservation so we can be prepared for everyone. Call Mary Drakoulis at 703-273-4159 or Eleni Kanakos at 703-938-8360.

Annual Ladies Philoptochos Stewardship Tea will be held on Sunday, March 11th at noon. We would love to see all ladies 18+. Please come and join us.

Parents, Caretakers, Families

3/17 – SAT – Lenten Retreat "Thriving in our Homes" – Presented by Dr. Philip Mamalakis, PhD, LMFT – Saint Katherine.

JOY/HOPE – 1/25 – THU – Movie Night! – 6:00pm, Seniors Kentro (downstairs of Chelpon Hall/small hall).

GOYA – 1/23 – TUE – Cook and feed the homeless – 5:00pm, Saint Katherine.

2/9 – FRI – GOYA Fellowship Night! – 7:00pm, Saint Katherine.

OCF – 1/31 – WED – Tabling for Winter Fair – 11am-3pm.

2/7 – WED – Kick-off meeting – 7:00pm – location tbd.

YAL – 2/3 – SAT – 9am-3pm – Journey of Marriage Seminar – Saint Sophia Cathedral.

2/8 – THU – 7:00pm – Tsiknopempti – Pre-Lenten Fellowship Happy Hour – location tbd.

The Three Hierarchs and the Greek Letters Celebration by the Hellenic Society Prometheas – Saturday, January 27, 7:00 p.m. at St. George, Bethesda, MD. Speaker is Yannis Kazazis, Ph.D, University of Thessaloniki and President of the Centre for Greek Language. Topic: The Development of Modern Greek Language and Lexicography – Conclusions. (Lecture will be in Greek)

Announcements

Memorial Services are offered this morning for Maria Ioannou, mother of Iacovos Ioannou; and for Evgenia Christofi, mother of Maria Georges and Kosta Christofi. May their memory be eternal!

The Swearing in of the 2018 Parish Council Members will take place this morning at the end of the Divine Liturgy. The 2018 Parish Council Members are the following: Tony Alexis, Andrea Ballard, Dr. Domenic Carr, Mark Cherpes, Dr. John Demakis, Nicholas Larigakis, Costas Mavromatakis, Mallamo Mavromatakis, George Moshos, Bill Polizos, Dr. Jerry Rich, Effie Sarantis, Chris Snear, Pierre Tavoularis, Craig Thomas, Maria Vargas, Steve Veletsis, Maria Wills, and John Ziu. Congratulations and may God bless you!

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.

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!

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.

Tastes of the Mediterranean – Please join us for Tastes of the Mediterranean, Friday, February 16, 2018, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m., Meletis Charuhas Community Center. Reservations required \$30.00. Send check to: *Karen Polizos, 903 Holly Creek Drive, Great Falls, VA 22066* - Make Checks payable to: *DOP Helle Chapter 283*. For more information contact: Rosalie Georgeadis at 703-532-1723 or regeorgeadis@hotmail.com. Proceeds will benefit Fisher House Foundation and other DOP Charities.

Church Services

Thursday, January 25

St. Gregory the Theologian – Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, January 28

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee, Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, January 30

The Three Hierarchs – 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 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 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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