

Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



Sunday, January 26, 2019
15th Sunday of Luke

St. Xenophon and his Companions
St. Symeon the Elder



Apolytikion of the Day (Grave Tone)

By Your Cross, O Lord, You shattered death, to the thief You opened Paradise. You transformed the Myrrh-bearers' lamentation, and commanded Your Apostles to proclaim that You arose, Christ our God, granting to the world Your great mercy.

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον, ἠνέωξας τῷ Ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον, τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρήνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοὺς Αποστόλους κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας. Ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

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.

Τὴν πανεύφημον νόμφην Χριστοῦ υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν τὴν θεϊαν καὶ πολιοῦχον Σινά, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν. Ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κομψοὺς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τὴ δύναμει. Καὶ νυν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πάσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Kontakion of the Day (1st Tone)

You sanctified the virginal womb by Your birth, O Lord, and blessed the hands of Symeon fittingly, O Christ God; and even now You came and saved us. Now, give peace to our Nation in time of war, and empower our Leaders, so loved by You, the only one who loves humanity.

Ὁ μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεῶν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νυν ἐσώσας ἡμᾶς, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός. Ἀλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλόνητος.

Epistle Reading

*The Lord will give strength to his people.
Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord honor and glory.
The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter.*

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 Zacchaeus; 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, "Zacchaeus, 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 Zacchaeus 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."

Adult Bible Class – Classes are held every Sunday at 9:30am in the board room of the Meletis Charuhas Center. Join us each Sunday to learn more about our faith. "A Journey through the Orthodox Faith Guided by the Words of the Bible". This year's topic: *The Gospel of Luke*. For more information or questions, please contact Bill Polizos at 571-434-7790 or polizos@att.com. Everyone is welcome!

JOURNEY TO ORTHODOXY – The "Journey to Orthodoxy" class for adults meets 9:30-10:30am 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, especially 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, Bill Porter WEPorter1@fcps.edu, or Jim Jatras heraclius13@gmail.com 202-375-1007.

Our local St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival will be held at St. Katherine's on March 15, 2020. The festival provides our youth the opportunity to write and talk about their faith. There are 3 divisions: the elementary division (local festival only) for grades 4–6; junior division for grades 7–9; and senior division for grades 10–12. Top speakers in the Junior and Senior Divisions will be awarded \$150 and \$250 scholarships, respectively. Please encourage your children to participate in the festival and be sure to attend this event to show support for our youth. Contact your Sunday School teachers or Dean (703-981-4958) & Vivian (571-730-7540) Chelpon at vivandean@aol.com. Information on the festival can be found on www.goarch.org/oratorical.

"On February 9, in Chelpon Hall 12noon -1:00 PM following the Liturgy, AHEPA Chapter 438 and DOP Chapter 283 will be hosting Financial Seminar sponsored by Merryll Lynch (Bank Of America). Chapter members, Parishioners, friends and guests are invited. Contacts: Angelo Toutsis 703-281-0843 and Patty Leto 703-609-0835."

Scholarship Opportunity for Graduating Seniors! The 2020 Washington Metropolitan Area AHEPA/DOP Scholarship Program Application is available in paper form in the church office, and is posted on the church website. Completed applications are due March 28, so don't delay. Scholarship awards will be presented to recipients at the Annual Scholarship Banquet on May 17, 2020, in Rockville, MD. Donor applications are also available in the church office if you would like to contribute to this worthy program. For more information, please contact Karen Polizos, (571) 434-7790 or polizos@aol.com.

Sunday School – God-Parent Sunday is February 2. Please plan on attending Sunday School with your God-Child and celebrating the Liturgy with him/her. There will be cake and refreshments for all God-Parents after second Liturgy. We look forward to seeing you.

Sunday School – If you are seeking a way to get involved at St. Katherine, we are looking for Sunday School teachers for next year. This is a wonderful way for parishioners to share their faith with students; materials are provided. Please contact Christina Vazquez at czvmail2@gmail.com for more information.



Announcements



Memorial Services are offered this morning for **Mary Thomas**, mother of Helen Mavroidis, and Suzanne Lacey; for **Panagiotis Silis**, husband of Mrs. Calliope, and father of Thomas, Many and George Silis; for **Maria Ioannou** and **Ioannis Hatzigregoriou**, mother and grandfather of Iacovos Ioannou. May their memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is sponsored this morning by the Silis, Mavroidis and Lacey families in memory of their loved ones; and by our Ladies Philoptochos.

Philoptochos – Tuesday, 4th of February, the Ladies Philoptochos will host their annual Valentine's Day Seniors Luncheon. For reservations, call Mary Varlas at 703-965-4161 or Eleni Kanakos at 703-969-8364. Deadline for reservations is January 28th. If you don't drive and need a ride to luncheon, please contact Mrs. Varlas. **The Ladies Philoptochos Cookbooks** are still on sale for \$25.00. They make great bridal shower presents. Pick them up at coffee hour, after the second Liturgy.

GOYA – Upcoming events: Bible Study 1/28; GOYA Youth Sunday/Meeting 1/26; Superbowl Party 2/2. For information, email SaintKatherineGOYA@stkchurch.com.

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 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. This includes time for discussion and fellowship.

Saint Genevieve Book Club - We meet Sunday, February 2nd after the second Liturgy! Join us as we discuss our new selection, *Acquiring the Mind of Christ* by Archimandrite Sergius! Hope to see you there!! If you would like to be included on our mailing list, please email victoriacherpes@gmail.com.

Security Announcement – Please be aware that scammers and cybercriminals may be sending you emails and text messages acting like Father Costa or a member of the Parish Council asking you for money or assistance. Neither Father or a Parish Council Member will send you a direct email requesting money or assistance. These messages are frauds. Do not click or respond to these messages. If you have any questions, please contact Sophia Tsangali at 703-671-1515.

Church Playroom – Parents please accompany your children in the playroom downstairs. Regardless of age, all children in the playroom must be supervised by a Parent at all times.

Attention Parishioners! When attending church services and events at our church, kindly please park your car properly within the designated parking space lines in the parking lot. This will prevent loss of a space for someone else to park their car. Thank you!

Stewardship Table – Please stop by the stewardship table and update your email on record. We are transitioning to e-mailing statements to save \$2,000 in mailing costs. *Thank you!*

Part-time work opportunity available to help us manage our hall rentals. If you have experience and interest in helping us manage our rentals (sales & bookings), please reach out to Ray Vazquez at rvazquez@stkchurch.com.

Tastes of the Mediterranean – Please join the Daughters of Penelope, Helle Chapter #283, for our Annual Tastes of the Mediterranean, Friday, February 7, 2020, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m., Meletis Charuhas Community Center. This event continues our support of soldiers and their families by designating proceeds to Boulder Crest Retreat in Bluemont, Virginia, a full service facility dedicated to providing assistance to veterans struggling with PTSD and combat related stress. Tickets are \$30, advance reservations required. Stop by the reservation table in the church foyer, or send checks payable to DOP Helle 283, to: Karen Polizos, 903 Holly Creek Drive, Great Falls, VA 22066. For more information contact: Rosalie Georgeadis at 703-532-1723 or rgeorgeadis@hotmail.com. Thank you for supporting Helle Chapter and this worthy cause!

Please join us for the annual Saint Katherine Apokreatiko Glendi on Saturday, February 29th, starting at 5:30 p.m., at the Meletis Charuhas Hall. We will have a DJ, food, face painting, raffles, and our special guest performer-- Master Tempo! Please visit dgreeks.com for tickets or email stkhecparents@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Church Services

Sunday, January 26	15th Sunday of Luke – 1 st Divine Liturgy 8:00am; Orthros 9:30am; 2 nd Divine Liturgy 10:30am
Thursday, January 30	The Three Hierarchs – Orthros 9:30am; Divine Liturgy 10:30am.
Sunday, February 2	Presentation of our Lord – 1 st Divine Liturgy 8:00am; Orthros 9:30am; 2 nd Divine Liturgy 10:30am God Parent's Sunday
Wednesday, February 5	Paraklesis to St. Ephraim of Nea Makri 8:00pm
Sunday, February 9	Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee – Triodion Begins – 1 st Divine Liturgy 8:00am; Orthros 9:30am, 2 nd Divine Liturgy 10:30am
Wednesday, February 12	Paraklesis to St. Ephraim of Nea Makri , 8:00pm
Sunday, February 16	Sunday of the Prodigal Son – 1 st Divine Liturgy 8:00am; Orthros 9:30am; 2 nd Divine Liturgy 10:30am
Wednesday, February 19	Paraklesis to St. Ephraim of Nea Makri , 8:00pm
Saturday, February 22	1st Saturday of Souls – Orthros 9:30am; Divine Liturgy 10:30am
Sunday, February 23	St. John Climacus – Meat-fair Sunday – 1 st Divine Liturgy 8:00am; Orthros 9:30am; 2 nd Divine Liturgy 10:30am
Wednesday, February 26	Paraklesis to St. Ephraim of Nea Makri 8:00pm
Sunday, February 29	2nd Saturday of Souls – Orthros 9:30am; Divine Liturgy 10:30am

Sunday Services: Orthros 9:30am., Divine Liturgy 8:00am & 10:30am -- *Week Day Services:* Orthros 9:30am, Divine Liturgy 10:30am

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 at http://www.saint-katherines.org/about_us/sunday-bulletins.



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