Sunday, February 15, 2015

Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday of Judgment
(Meat Fare Sunday)
Onesimus of the 70
Anthimus the Elder of Chios

Apolytikion of the Day (3rd Tone)

Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and He granted the world His great mercy.

Ευφραινέσθω τα ουράνια, αγαλλιάσθω τα επίγεια, ότι εποίησε κράτος, εν βραχίονι αυτοῦ, ο Κύριος. Επάτησε το θανάτο τον θάνατον. Πρωτότοκος των νεκρών εγένετο. Εκ κοιλίας Άδου ερρύσατο ημᾶς, και παρέσχε τω κόσμῳ το 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.

Την πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστοῦ υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημῶν 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 (3rd Tone)

When you come, O God, upon the earth with glory, and the universe will tremble, and the river of fire will bring us before your judgment seat, and the books will be opened, and the secrets will be published, then deliver me from the unquenchable fire, and count me worthy, to stand on your right, O most righteous Judge.

Όταν έλθης ο Θεός, επί γης μετά δόξης, και τρέμωσι τα σύμπαντα, προταμός δε του πυρός, προ του βήματος ἐλκη, και βιβλιον ανοίγονται, και κρυπτά δημοσιεύονται, τότε ρύσαι με, εκ του πυρός του ασβέστου, και αξίωσον, εκ δεξιῶν σου με στήναι, Κριτά δικαιότατε.
Epistle Reading

The Lord is my strength and my song,
the Lord has chastened me sorely.

The reading is from Saint Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians.

1st Corinthians 8:8-13, 9:1-2

Brethren, food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. Only take care lest this liberty of yours somehow becomes a stumbling block to the weak. For if any one sees you, a man of knowledge, at table in an idol’s temple, might he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak man is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother’s failing, I will never eat meat, lest I cause my brother to fall.

Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not you my workmanship in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

The Lord said this parable:

“When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left.

Then the King will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you? And the King will answer them, “Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it me.’

Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.’

And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

SAVE THE DATE! Back by popular demand! Saint Katherine’s 2nd Annual Traditional Greek Easter Picnic/Celebration — Reservations are now being accepted for Saint Katherine’s 2nd Annual Traditional Greek Easter Picnic/Celebration. Please bring your family and join all your friends on Easter Sunday, April 12th at 12:30pm for your Easter meal, music, and lots of fun! Tickets are $40 for adults and $25 for children under twelve. Your ticket includes appetizers, roast lamb on the spit meal with sides, dessert, and beverages (cash bar for beer/wine).

Make your reservations now and don’t miss out. Please contact Mallamo Mavromatakis at (703) 830-0224 or minoanone@gmail.com or the church office at 703-671-1515 to join the fun!
Memorial Services are offered this morning for Maria Tsiaoushish, mother of Panagiota, Androniki, and John; for Tasia Thomas, mother of Mrs. Kaliope Christou; and for William Salavantis, husband of Mrs. Toula Salavantis, and mother of Harry Salavantis. May their memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is sponsored this morning by the Tsiaoushish, Christou and Salavantis families in memory of their loved ones.

The Children’s Agape Foundation – The second tray will be passed this morning in both Liturgies to benefit the Children’s Agape Foundation. The Children’s Agape Foundation assists families with sick children with medical/medical related expenses. Your support and generosity are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Parish Council – The 2015 Parish Council officers are: Jim Stoucker, president; Nicholas Larigakis, vice president; Maria Vargas, treasurer; Bill Polizos, secretary. The Parish Council members are: Kelly Alexis, Chris Christou, Dr. John Demakis, Artemis Dimopoulos, Peter Karounas, Mallamo Mavromatakis, George Moshos, Bill Porter, Dr. Jerry Rich, Pierre Tavoularis, Daphne Vaccarello, and Mary Varlas. May God bless you!

Pancake Breakfast – The Pancake Breakfast will take place this morning following both Liturgies at the Meletis Charuhas Center. Proceeds will benefit the Byzantino Greek Dance and Cultural Arts Program. There will be also a dance performance during the breakfast.

Our Missions and Outreach Committee will be serving dinner at the Bailey’s Crossroads Shelter on Tuesday, February 17, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. Anyone interested in helping, please notify Dr. John Demakis at demakis9931@gmail.com.

Apokreatiko Glendi – Please save the date! Next Saturday, February 21, 2015, 5:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. $45 Adults; $15 Kids 4-13. For tickets please contact: stkgreekschoolpta@gmail.com, Martha Lampros (703) 855-4085, Penny Papas (703) 898-4501 or the Church office (703) 671-1515, www.glendi2015.eventbrite.com.

Missions Food Pantry Collection on Sunday, February 22, 2015 – As we approach Great Lent, let us remember the poor and the hungry by giving generously to the food pantry at our neighbor church, Columbia Baptist. Please bring the food next Sunday, February 22, 2015 to Saint Katherine Community Center foyer in the blue bags distributed last Sunday or plastic bags. Flyers will be distributed this Sunday, as we are temporarily out of blue bags. (Suggested list of foods on flyer.)

GMU OCF (Orthodox Christian Fellowship) will meet on Tuesday, February 24, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., in room 239H of the Johnson Center at GMU. Bring an Orthodox friend with you. Hope to see you there!

KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY – There will be a sign-up table in the church hall for volunteers to assist in the upcoming KAIROS events at the Suffolk and Greensville Prisons. There is a need for volunteers to bake cookies, assist in the prayer chain, and to make “placemats”. (The placemats are done by young children.) On Sunday, March 1, 2015 we will bake about 150 dozen cookies in the Church kitchen after the second Divine Liturgy. There is an offender who was recently released that we are trying to help with employment. See Dennis Garbis for details. (djgarbis@envdes.com). There is a need for an attorney to assist an offender who was released recently with some very old minor legal issues. We are hoping to receive some “pro bono” assistance. (See Dennis Garbis for details.)

Parents are reminded that children are not allowed to play on the stage in the Meletis Charuhas Center during Coffee Hour or other social gatherings. We ask your assistance to prevent injury to the children and damage to curtains and other equipment. Thank you.
### 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 δέχθεις 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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