Logos, Father, and Spirit from all eternity, conceived by the Virgin to set mankind free, come you worship faithful singing praise to Him. For He was willing as a man to be lifted on the Cross and death to suffer, and to raise up the sleeping by His glorious Resurrection.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν εἰ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ανυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν. Ὄτι ἥμισυσε σαρκὶ, ανελθείν εἰς τὸ σταυρὸν, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομείναι, καὶ εγείραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, εἰς τῇ ενδόξῳ Αναστάσει αυτοῦ.

**Apolytikion of the Day (1st Plagal Tone)**

Let us praise the all lauded and noble bride of Christ, the godly Catherine, 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 Χριστοῦ υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν καὶ πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημῶν καὶ αντίλημν. Ὄτι εφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κομψοὺς των ασεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τῇ δυνάμει. Καὶ νυν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αἰτεῖται πάσι το μέγα ἔλεος.

**Apolytikion of Saint Katherine the Great Martyr (1st Tone)**

Let us flee the Pharisee's words of boasting, and then from the Publican, may we now learn humility, crying with sighs to the Savior: May your Grace be upon us, for by you alone are we reconciled.

Φαρισαίου φύγωμεν ὑψηλοριάν, καὶ Τελῶνος μάθωμεν, τὸ ταπεινὸν ἐν στεναγμοῖς, πρὸς τὸν Σωτῆρα κραυγάζοντες· Ἦλαθι μόνε ἡμῖν εὐδιάλλακτε.
Epistle Reading

You, O Lord, shall keep us and preserve us.

Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed.

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

2nd Timothy 3:10-15 – TIMOTHY, my son, you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Iconion, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:10-14 – The Lord said this parable, "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extorters, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

The Saint Katherine Apokreatiko Glendi will be held on Saturday, February 23 at 5:30 p.m. in the church hall. All ages are welcome for this fun, family friendly event! Special guest performer So Tiri will be joining us. We also plan on having a DJ, face painting, raffle prizes, and buffet dinner. Please go to dcgreeks.com for tickets and more information. You can also email stkhecparents@gmail.com or cachris2@outlook.com, if you have questions.

SAVE THE DATE – Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) BANQUET: OCMC Annual Banquet will be held Sunday, May 5, 2019, at St. Katherine Orthodox Church, Falls Church, VA. The mission speaker will be Fr. Louis Christopulos, former Vice Chairman of the OCMC. Fabulous themed baskets will again be available. Plan to donate to and support this annual banquet.

Friday, February 22, 2019 – (1) A symposium on the use of Eastern Christian Scrolls (9:00-12:30pm at May Gallery, Mullen Library, Catholic University of America) - see poster and program.

(2) A lecture titled: "Encountering the Uncreated in the Greek Monastic Tradition" 4:00pm at 323 Pryzbyla Center, Catholic University of America - see poster. The speaker is Fr. Chrysostom Koutloumousinos, an Athonite monk whose research focuses on Celtic Monasticism.

St. Vladimir’s Seminary Chorale, TENEBRAE, music of Holy Week from East and West – Friday, February 22, 2019, 7:30 p.m. Robin Freeman, Director. St. Nicholas Cathedral (3500 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, DC). Advanced tickets required, visit svots.edu/events or call 914-961-8313, x330. Reception will follow. No admission fee.

GOYA – Next Youth Sunday/GOYA/Parent meeting is on Mar. 17. Upcoming events: Apokreatiko Glendi, 2/23; St. George Sights & Sounds Arts Festival, 3/2-3; GOYA Fundraiser at Souvlaki Bar on 3/17; St. George Lenten Retreat, 3/30. For more information, email SaintKatherineGoya@aol.com.

Food Pantry – Twice a year, the St. Katherine’s community collects food for the food pantry at Columbia Baptist Church, our neighbor, a few blocks away. Today and next week, after Liturgy, blue bags will be made available during coffee hour, with flyers suggesting items to donate. We ask that you return the filled bags on Sunday, March 3, to the foyer of our large Community Center. If you are unable to fill a bag, write a check to “Columbia Baptist Church” with “Food Pantry/St. K” in the corner and give to one of the food pantry volunteers. Your generosity means so much to those in need!

Saint John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival will be held on Sunday March 17. Students in grades 7-9 may participate in the junior division and grades 10-12 are in the senior division. Grades 1-6 will participate in informal presentations. Information and registration forms are available on the Sunday School Bulletin Board, or please contact Tina Papamichael for more info: athena02@verizon.net.
Memorial Services are offered this morning for Presvytera Barbara Voyiaziakis, wife of Rev. Father Stanley Voyiaziakis, and mother of Angela, Krisan and Dr. Emanuel Voyiaziakis; for Michael Gellios, husband of Mrs. Sevvie Gellios, brother of James and Achilleas Gellios and father of Ioannis Gellios; for Gerry Capacos, uncle of Mr. Ioannis Laios; and for Basil Rousos, husband of Mrs. Irene Rousos, and father of Nicholas and Basil Rousos. May their memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is sponsored this morning by Rev. Fr. Stanley Voyiaziakis and family in memory of his beloved wife, Presvytera Barbara Voyiaziakis; by Mrs. Sevvie Gellios and family in memory of her beloved husband, Michael Gellios; and by Mrs. Irene Rousos and family in memory of her beloved husband, Basil Rousos.

Philoptochos Meeting this morning following the coffee hour in the board room.

Easter Bake Sale will take place on Sunday, April 14 and Saturday April 20. There will be NO Bake Sale on Palm Sunday and Holy Week.

Sunday March 10th, the Ladies Philoptohos, will be offering their Annual Stewardship Tea. Please make your reservations by calling Mary Varlas at 703-965-4161 or email Mary.varlas@yahoo.com. For more information, please stop at the Philoptochos table during coffee hour.

Our Capital Campaign begun in September to address the abundant needs of our community. We solicit your support and encourage your prayerful consideration of this most worthy endeavor in support of “our families, our church, our future.” Please contact us at capcampaign@stkchurch.com with your questions.

JOURNEY TO ORTHODOXY – The “Journey to Orthodoxy” class for adults meets at 9 AM Sunday (concurrently with the youth Sunday School before 10 AM Divine Liturgy) in the Seniors’ Kentro room on the ground floor of Founders’ Hall. 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. Informal discussion format, text provided. For further information contact the teachers, John Demakis demakis9931@gmail.com or Jim Jatras heraclius13@gmail.com, 202-375-1007.

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 on Tuesdays now, not on Wednesdays. Meetings are at 7:15 p.m. in the Board Room. This includes time for discussion and fellowship.

Adult Bible Study – This year’s topic is Who We are and What We Believe: A Journey through Examination of the Orthodox Faith Guided by the Words of the Nicene Creed. The objective will be to broaden the understanding of our own Orthodox faith and deepen our spiritual outlooks. We will explore the significance of the Creed for how we live our faith now as individuals and as “one, holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church.” Classes are held every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. in the board room of the Meletis Churuhas Center. For more information or questions, please contact Bill Polizos at 571-434-7790 or polizos@att.com. Everyone welcome!

Scholarship Opportunity for Graduating Seniors! The 2019 Washington Metropolitan Area AHEPA/DOP Scholarship Program Application is available now in the Church Office (paper copy) and also through a link on the church’s website. Completed applications are due March 30, so don’t delay. Scholarship awards will be presented to recipients at the Annual Scholarship Banquet on May 19, 2019, 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.

Kenya Tents - Thank you so much to everyone who supported our Valentine’s fundraiser to acquire tents for the Orthodox Church in Kenya! We are very close to being able to donate 2 tents! We only need $500 more! These tents are used for remote area church services, as well as generate income for the Women’s Orthodox Union. If you missed your chance but would still like to be part of this donation, please make your check payable to: “Saint Katherine’s Greek Orthodox Church” with “Kenya Tent” on the memo line. Thank you for your continued support!
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 εξίλασμο του λαού Σου, με την χάρη, το έλεος και φιλανθρωπία του μονογενούς Σου Υιού. Ευλογημένο να είναι το όνομά Σου εις τον αιώνα. Αμήν.