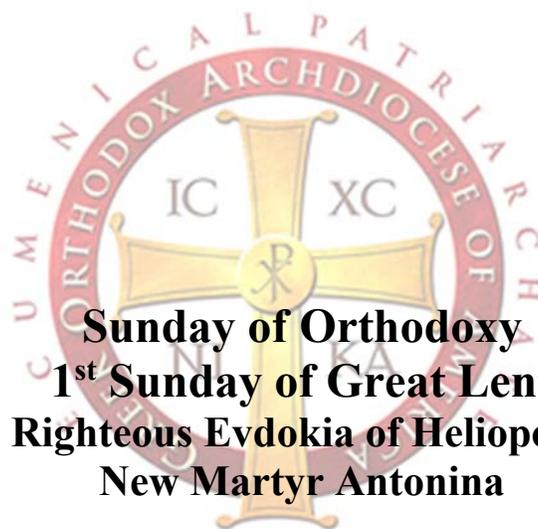


Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, March 1, 2015



Sunday of Orthodoxy
1st Sunday of Great Lent
Righteous Evdokia of Heliopolis
New Martyr Antonina

Apolytikion of the Day (1st Plagios Tone)

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginated with the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was born for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. For in His goodness He was pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, and to raise those who had died, by his glorious Resurrection.

Τον συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρί και Πνεύματι, τον εκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εις σωτηρίαν ημών, ανυμνήσωμεν πιστοί και προσκυνήσωμεν. Ότι ηυδόκησε σαρκί, ανελθείν εν τω σταυρώ, και θάνατον υπομείναι, και εγείρει τους τεθνεώτας, εν τη ενδόξω Αναστάσει αυτού.

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 Πνεύματων τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ως Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα έλεος.

Kontakion of the Day (4th Plagios Tone)

Your city sings to you a song of victory, and offers thanks to its defender and deliverer, for sparing it from trials, O Theotokos. But because you have the power invincible, from a multitude of dangers liberate me, so that I may cry out to you: Hail, Bride, who knew no bridegroom.

Τη Υπερμάχω Στρατηγώ τα νικητήρια, ως λυτρωθείσα των δεινών ευχαριστήρια, αναγράφω σοι η Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Αλλ' ως έχουσα το κράτος απροσμάχητον, εκ παντίων με κινδύνων ελευθέρωσον, ίνα κράζω σοι: Χαίρε, Νύμφη, ανύμφευτε.

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Epistle Reading

*Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our Fathers.
For you are righteous in all things you have done for us.
The reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to the Hebrews.*

Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-40, 12:1-2

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.

And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jophthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets – who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated – of whom the world was not worthy – wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Gospel Reading

John 1:43-51

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."



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!

Have a Blessed Great Lent!
Ευλογημένη η Μεγάλη Τεσσαρακοστή!

Announcements

Mission Lenten Lecture Series – As we have done the last several years, following the first four Salutations services, our Missions committee will sponsor a special lecture on missions. Our schedule for 2015 is as follows: February 27: Kenya mission (Mary Van Mullekom); March 6: Cuba mission trip (Fr. Costas and team); March 13: Project Mexico trip (Fr. Panagioti and team); March 20: Alaska trip (Natalie Gabarino). Come to the services, enjoy refreshments and listen to accounts of where our Saint Katherine people have gone and their experiences.

Catechetical (Sunday) School – The students of our Sunday School will hold their icons and will follow the procession in church in commemoration for the restoration of the holy icons.

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 this 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, or contact him at (djgarbis@envdes.com) or (202)438-7299. 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.)

HOPE – HOPE children (ages 7 and under) will be meeting in the Founders’ Hall after the 2nd Liturgy on Sunday, March 8, 2015, to create a Greek sailboat craft. Please contact Patricia Rader at pagrader@yahoo.com for more information. We hope to see you all there!

A joint social outing is planned for the Daughters of Penelope and Philoptochos members on Saturday, March 14. We will meet at the National Museum of Women in the Arts in Washington, DC, at 10:15 a.m., to see the exhibit, *Picturing Mary: Woman, Mother, Idea*. The cost is \$10:00, seniors 65+ \$8:00. Following the exhibit, we plan to have lunch at a restaurant very close to the museum. Unfortunately the café in the museum is closed on Saturdays. Carpooling can be arranged. Metro Center Station is the closest Metro stop (2 blocks away). Please contact Karen Polizos, 571-434-7790, no later than March 9th, if you would like to join us.

St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival – Sunday, March 15, 9:30 a.m. for grades 1st to 3rd and on Sunday, March 22, 9:30 a.m. for grades 4th to 12th. If you are interested please contact Diane Quebral at (703) 963-5814 or dkquebral@gmail.com.

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.

Prometheas Greek Independence Day Celebration – This year the Prometheas Greek Independence Day Celebration will take place in our Saint Katherine Community Center, on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. Please save the date. More information to follow in Sunday bulletins.

St. Katherine's Greek School and Paideia Preschool March 25th Program will take place on Saturday, March 28, 2015 in the Meletis Charuhas Center at 10:30 a.m.

John C. Kulis Charitable Foundation – The John C. Kulis Charitable Foundation, (“Kulis Foundation”), is excited to announce the availability of scholarships for the 2015-2016 academic year. Last year the Kulis Foundation provided over \$250,000 in scholarship funds to students. This year, three new programs, collectively offering \$200,00, in funds have been added! The Kulis Foundation is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit foundation organized, in part, to support educational scholarships for members of the Eastern Orthodox faith and the Hellenic community. Please visit our new website, www.kulisfoundation.org, to view the eligibility requirements for each of our six scholarship programs and download applications. The following scholarship programs are available: Undergraduate & Graduate Program, St. Philip the Deacon Seminarian Program, Dr. John C. Kulis Medical School Scholarship, Students in Sciences Scholarship, and Karasia Kulis Advanced Degrees in Health Sciences Scholarship. For general information please go to infor@kulisfoundation.org.

Church Services

Sunday, March 1

Pan-Orthodox Vespers – Πανορθόδοξος Εσπερινός, 5:00 p.m.

at Sts. Peter & Paul Antiochian Orthodox Church, 10620 River Road, Potomac, MD 20854, 301-765-3400. Homilist: His Grace Bishop Anthony, Auxiliary Bishop of the Antiochian Ortho. Archdiocese

Monday, March 2

Great Compline – Μέγα Απόδειπνο 7:00 p.m.

Holy Confession – Εξομολόγησις 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 6

2nd Salutations – Β' Χαιρετισμοί 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 8

2nd Sunday of Great Lent – Β' Κοριακή Μεγάλης Τεσσαρακοστής

Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m., and 10:30 a.m.

Othros/Youth and Adult Catechism 9:30 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 θυμιάμα 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 in two formats--a PDF copy of the bulletin handed out in church and an online version with much more information. Please take a moment to check them out by visiting:

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



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