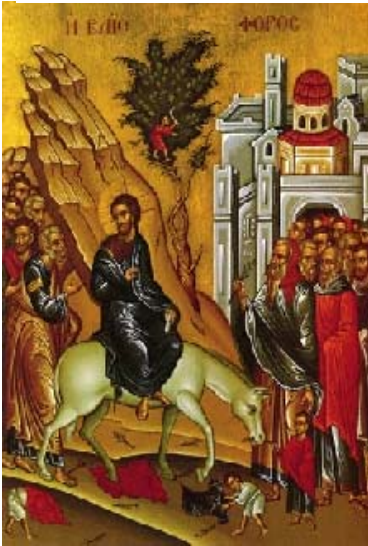


# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



Sunday, April 1, 2018

Palm Sunday

Κυριακή των Βαΐων

Saint Mary of Egypt  
Saints Gerontios and Vasilides



## *Apolytikion of the Annunciation (4<sup>th</sup> Tone)*

As by baptism we were buried with Thee, O Christ our God, so by Thy Resurrection we were deemed worthy of immortal life; and praising Thee, we cry: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Συνταφέντες σοι διὰ τοῦ Βαπτίσματος, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, τῆς ἀθανάτου ζωῆς ἠξιώθημεν τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου, καὶ ἀνυμνοῦντες κράζομεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὄνόματι Κυρίου.

## *Apolytikion of Saint Katherine the Great Martyr (1<sup>st</sup> 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.

Τὴν πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστοῦ υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν τὴν θεῖαν καὶ πολιοῦχον Σινά, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν. Ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κομπούς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τῆς δυνάμει. Καὶ νυν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πάσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

## *Kontakion of the Day (2<sup>nd</sup> Plagal Tone)*

In Heaven, He is seated upon a Throne and on earth He rides upon a foal. O Christ our God, accept the praise of the Angels and the hymn of the Children who cry out to You, "Blessed are You who comes to recall Adam."

Τῷ θρόνῳ ἐν οὐρανῷ, τῷ πῶλῳ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, ἐποχοῦμενος Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, τῶν Ἀγγέλων τὴν αἶνεσιν, καὶ τῶν Παίδων ἀνύμνησιν προσεδέξω βοῶντων σοι· Εὐλογημένος εἶ ὁ ἐρχόμενος, τὸν Ἄδὰμ ἀνακαλέσασθαι.

## *Epistle Reading*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His mercy endures forever.  
The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians.*

**Philippians 4:4-9** – BRETHREN, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

## *Gospel Reading*

**John 1:1-17** – Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazaros out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

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### **GOYA**

April 6 – Friday – GOOD FRIDAY Retreat – All day at church – boys to help clean the church – girls to help decorate kouvouklion – faith-discussion led by Nick – lunch provided – other religions and faiths take many days off of school, this is our holiest day of the year; please consider being with your brothers and sisters in Christ for this day.

April 14 – Saturday – If anyone is available, it is requested for our youth to help the church by doing landscaping – please contact Nick Junes (njunes@stkchurch.com).

April 22 – Sunday – GOYA will help serve our annual OCMC Missions Banquet – please contact Nick Junes (njunes@stkchurch.com) for more details.

**YAL / OCF** – April 1 – Sunday – Palm Sunday Potluck Dinner with Saint Sophia YAL – 5:30-8:00 p.m. – 28 K St SE, Washington, DC 20003-3306, United States.

**HOPE, JOY, Moms, Pops, & Tots** – Easter Egg Hunt – Easter Sunday after Agape Vespers, which begins at 11 a.m.

## *Announcements*

**Palm Sunday Family Fish Luncheon** this morning immediately after both Divine Liturgies. *Psari* cod *plaki*, rice, roll of bread and *horiatiki* Greek salad. Donation: \$15.00 per person. Pasta dish available for children: \$7.00. Carry out orders will also be available after both Liturgies.

**Coffee Hour** is sponsored this morning by our Ladies Philoptochos.

**Easter Bake Sale** will be this morning after both Liturgies. Please see Mary Varlas after church in the Meletis Charuhas Center.

**Easter Decorated Lambathes/Candles** will be available this morning in the Meletis Charuhas Center. Please see Lia Papailia or Niki Bouloukos.

**Kandilia (Luminaries)** – An Easter Tradition at Saint Katherine – Let us light the processional pathway for the Epitaphio on Holy Friday evening. Please purchase Kandilia in memory of, in honor of, or for the health of your loved ones - \$10.00 each. One individual or one family name per bag. Forms are available in the narthex at the pangari, where the candles are.

**Journey to Orthodoxy** – Our “Journey to Orthodoxy” class for adults meets 9-10 a.m. Sunday before Liturgy. This class is designed for non-Orthodox inquirers as well as Orthodox Christians wanting to learn more about our faith. It is also recommended for newly married couples, particularly where one is not Orthodox. It is informal and all texts are provided. Location is the Seniors’ Kentro (downstairs of Chelpon Hall). For more information please contact Dr. John Demakis [demakis9931@gmail.com](mailto:demakis9931@gmail.com) or Jim Jatras [heraclius13@gmail.com](mailto:heraclius13@gmail.com), 202-375-1007.

**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.

**Please plan to join us in a Pan-Orthodox Celebration of Orthodox Christian Missions** on Sunday, April 22, 2018, following Vespers at 4:30 p.m. Come enjoy a wine reception and dinner, along with music, raffles and guest speakers, including our very own Antonia Chelpon. Your support will help the Orthodox Christian Missions Center spread our Orthodox faith throughout the world! Tickets are \$60.00. Student rate is \$30.00 and a table for ten is \$500.00. For tickets to the benefit and the raffle contact: Nia Vroustouris at [evroustouris@gmail.com](mailto:evroustouris@gmail.com), Linda Jouvanis at [ljouvanis@gmail.com](mailto:ljouvanis@gmail.com), or stop by the Missions and Outreach table during Coffee Hour.

**You are invited to join the Gardeners of St. Phocas** – Together we can continue to enhance the gardens of our church. All interested parishioners are asked to contact Linda Jouvanis at [ljouvanis@gmail.com](mailto:ljouvanis@gmail.com). You do not need a green thumb. A joyful spirit will do!

**DIAPER DRIVE – Today, Palm Sunday** – Our community will collect diapers for local food pantries! Please consider helping struggling mothers care for their children. Collections are to be in the foyer area of the Meletis Charuhas Hall. Please bring unopened packages of newborn to 6 months old – no pull-ups please.



## Church Services

Sunday, April 1	<b>Palm Sunday</b> – 1 <sup>st</sup> Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m., Orthros 9:30 a.m., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m. <b>Bridegroom Service</b> – 7:00 p.m.
Holy Monday, April 2	<b>Bridegroom Service</b> – 7:00 p.m.
Holy Tuesday, April 3	<b>Bridegroom Service</b> – 7:00 p.m.
Holy Wednesday, April 4	<b>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy</b> 9:30 a.m., <b>Holy Unction</b> 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Holy Thursday, April 5	<b>Vespers with the Liturgy of St. Basil (Mystical Supper)</b> 6:00 a.m. <b>The Holy Passion of Christ (Twelve Gospels)</b> 7:00 p.m.
Holy Friday, April 6	<b>The Great Hours</b> 9:00 a.m., <b>Great Vespers with the Descent of the Cross</b> 3:30 p.m. <b>The Lamentations (Epitaphios)</b> 7:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday, April 7	Vespers with the Liturgy of St. Basil 9:30 a.m., <b>Canon Preceding the Resurrection</b> 11:00 p.m. <b>The HOLY RESURRECTION</b> – Orthros and Divine Liturgy 12:00 a.m.
Sunday, April 8	<b>EASTER SUNDAY – TO AGIO ΠΑΣΧΑ</b> – Vespers of Love (Agape) 11:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

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 Αβελ, 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 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](http://www.saint-katherines.org/about_us/sunday-bulletins).



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