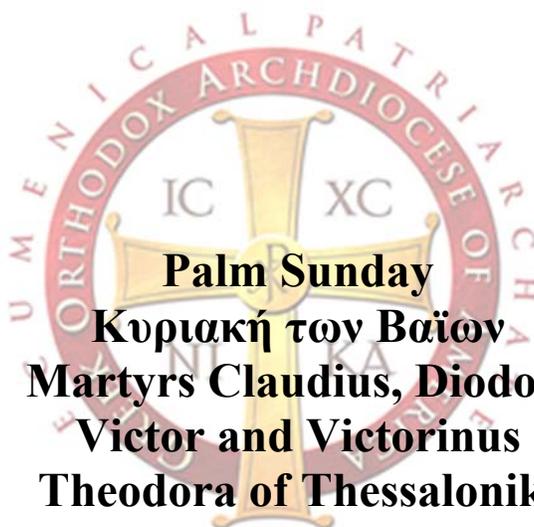
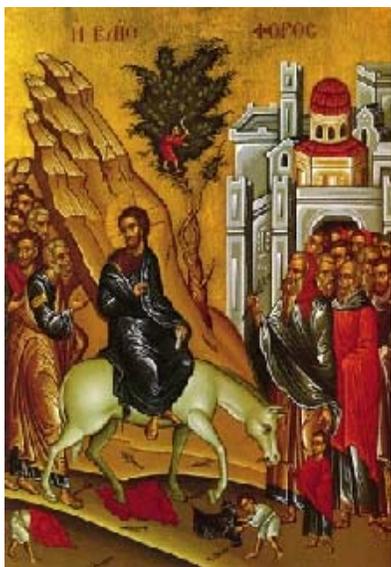


# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, April 5, 2015



## Palm Sunday Κυριακή των Βαΐων Martyrs Claudius, Diodor, Victor and Victorinus Theodora of Thessaloniki

### *Apolytikion of the Day (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 διά του Βαπτίσματος, Χριστέ ο Θεός ημών, της αθανάτου ζωής ηξιώθημεν τη Αναστάσει σου, και ανυμνούντες κράζομεν. Ωσαννά εν τοις υψίστοις, ευλογημένος ο ερχόμενος, εν ονόματι 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.

Την πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστού υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημών και αντίληψιν. Ότι εφίμωσε λαμπρώς, τους κομψούς των ασεβών, του Πνεύματος τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ως Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα έλεος.

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

In heaven upon a throne, on earth upon a colt, being carried, O Christ our God, you accepted the Angels' praise and the hymns of the chanting youth, as they cried out to you. Blessed is he that comes, to call fallen Adam back to him.

Τω θρόνω εν ουρανώ, τω πόλω επί της γης, εποχούμενος, Χριστέ ο Θεός, των Αγγέλων την αίνεσιν, και των παιδων ανύμνησιν, προσεδέξω βοώντων σοι. Ευλογημένος ει ο ερχόμενος, τον Αδάμ ανακαλέσασθαι.

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## 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 Saint 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; and the God of peace will be with you.

## Gospel Reading

### John 12:1-18

Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazarus 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 the 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 Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus 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 ass and sat upon it; as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on an ass'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 Lazarus 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.



SAVE THE DATE! Back by popular demand! Saint Katherine's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Traditional Greek Easter Picnic/Celebration – Reservations are now being accepted for Saint Katherine's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Traditional Greek Easter Picnic/Celebration. Please bring your family and join all your friends on Easter Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm for your Easter meal, live 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](mailto:minoanone@gmail.com) or the church office at 703-671-1515 to join the fun!

**Easter RAFFLE** – We are pleased to announce our first annual Saint Katherine Easter raffle. Grand prize is a **MAGNIFICENT SHARP AQUOS 65" Full HD LED Smart TV**. Drawing will be held at the Easter Lamb Roast, but **you need not be present to win!** Tickets are \$10.00 each or 3 for \$20.00 and are available in the Church office and will be sold after Liturgies on Sunday. All proceeds go to our Church.

**Reminder! AHEPA and Daughters of Penelope Metro Scholarships Applications and instructions** for submission are available at the Saint Katherine Church Office. Application deadline for graduating seniors is the first week of April each year. Donation deadline for this year's scholarships is the third week of April. Donor contact information is also available at the Church Office. The event will be held Sunday, May 17, 2017.

**Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Katherine**, in an effort to locate Greek Orthodox Christians who have been born in Constantinople and later emigrated to various parts of the world, our Ecumenical Patriarchate has reached out to our Holy Metropolis for assistance. If you and/or family members were born in Constantinople please contact the Church Office and leave your contact information with Sophia.

## Announcements

**We welcome our Metropolitan EVANGELOS of New Jersey! Εις πολλά έτη, Δέσποτα!**

**Palm Sunday Family Fish Luncheon** this morning immediately after both Divine Liturgies. Psari cod plaki, rice, roll of bread and Greek salad, beverages. 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.

**Philoptochos Easter Bake Sale** will take place this morning, April 5 following both Divine Liturgies; and Holy Wednesday, April 8 following the Holy Unction. Delicious tsourekis, koulourakia, kourambietes, melomakarona, diples, baklava, kataifi, spanakopita, tiropita, pastitsio, moussaka. To place your order(s), please contact Mary Varlas at [lpbakesale@yahoo.com](mailto:lpbakesale@yahoo.com) or (703) 965-4161. Make checks payable to *St Katherine Ladies Philoptochos* & mail to *St Katherine Philoptochos, 3149 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church, VA 22041*.

**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.

**New Candle Prices** – The Parish Council has approved the following changes to candles available at the pangaria: Red votive candles - \$10; large white candles - \$5; small candles -\$1 (no change). Prices are effective in April.

**Diaper Collection for Local Food Pantries, this morning** – We will again have our semi-annual diaper drive on this morning, Palm Sunday. Collections will take place in the foyer of our Community Center. Please bring unopened packages for newborn to 6. No pull ups please. Federal food stamps cannot be used to buy diapers, so this is a great help to mothers with infants. Thank you and God bless you.

**Save the date: Metropolitan DC Orthodox Mission and Outreach Mission Dinner** – The Metropolitan DC Orthodox Mission and Outreach Committee is again sponsoring a Mission dinner, to be held at St. Katherine, on Sunday, April 26, 2015. 5:00 p.m. Pan-Orthodox Vespers, 5:30 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres, and 6:00 p.m. Dinner and Presentation, to benefit the OCMC, the International Orthodox Mission and Evangelization organization. Please consider coming, to the banquet. The speaker is Very Rev. John Chakos, Missionary to Guatemala, who will speak on "*Orthodoxy in the Guatemalan Highlands: a light shines brightly*". The tickets are \$55.00 for adults; for those under 22, \$30.00; children under 6 are free; get a table for 10 for \$500.00. The reservation deadline is April 21, 2015. Points of contact are: Dr. John Demakis, [demakis9931@gmail.com](mailto:demakis9931@gmail.com); Skip Mersereau, [jwmster@gmail.com](mailto:jwmster@gmail.com) or Betty Slanta, [slanta@verizon.net](mailto:slanta@verizon.net). Enclose check and mail to St. Katherine, 3149 Glen Carlyn Rd., Falls Church, VA 22041. Check payable to *St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church*, note: Mission Banquet.

**The 2015 Saint Katherine Vacation Bible Camp** (sponsored by AHEPA Chapter #438) will take place June 22 – 26, 2015, 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., ages 4-14. Vacation Bible Camp is a unique opportunity for our Orthodox youth to come together in order to enhance their understanding of our faith. This year we'll explore the Great Feasts of the Church dedicated to the life and ministry of Christ. There is a \$30.00 fee per child. Please make checks payable to St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church and note VBC on the memo line. For information, please contact Vicki Mowery, 703-913-3178 or [mowerycrew@gmail.com](mailto:mowerycrew@gmail.com) or Eleni Porter, 703-91309629 or [beporter1@verizon.net](mailto:beporter1@verizon.net). Registration forms are available at the narthex.

**Helle Chapter** invites the St. Katherine Community to attend a speaker presentation on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, immediately following second Liturgy. We are delighted to welcome Jan King, a motivational speaker, humorist, author and breast cancer survivor. Her inspirational presentation will be held in the lecture room across from the board room and a light lunch will be provided. We hope you will join us.

**HEC** will offer a 7-week period of summer fun to 3 - 5 year-old children in our Summer Camp Program, June 29 - August 14, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. For more information, please contact the director at [ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com](mailto:ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com).

## Church Services

Palm Sunday, April 5	<i>Palm Sunday Evening – Bridegroom Service – Ακολουθία Νυμφίου</i> 7:00 p.m.
Holy Monday, April 6	<i>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Bridegroom Service – Ακολουθία Νυμφίου</i> 7:00 p.m.
Holy Tuesday, April 7	<i>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Bridegroom Service – Ακολουθία Νυμφίου</i> 7:00 μ.μ.
Holy Wednesday, April 8	<i>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Holy Unction – Το Άγιον Ευγέλιον</i> 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Holy Thursday, April 9	<i>Vespers with Liturgy of St. Basil – Εσπερινός και Λειτουργία Μ. Βασιλείου</i> 6:00 a.m. (The Mystical Supper – Ο Μυστικός Δείπνος) <i>The Holy Passion of Christ (Twelve Gospels) – Τα Άγια Πάθη (Τα Δώδεκα Ευαγγέλια)</i> 7:00 p.m.
Holy Friday, April 10	<i>Canon Preceding Resurrection – Οι Μεγάλες Ωρες</i> 9:00 a.m. <i>Great Vespers and the Descent of the Cross – Μέγας Εσπερινός και η Αποκαθήλωσις</i> 3:30 p.m. <i>The Lamentations (Epitaphios) – Ο Επιτάφιος Θρήνος (Τα Εγκόμια)</i> 7:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday, April 11	<i>Vespers with the Liturgy of St. Basil – Εσπερινός και Λειτουργία Μ. Βασιλείου</i> 9:30 a.m. <i>Canon Preceding Resurrection – Ακολουθία Αναστάσεως</i> 11:00 a.m. <b>THE HOLY RESURRECTION (midnight) – Η ΑΓΙΑ ΑΝΑΣΤΑΣΙΣ (μεσάνυχτα)</b> 12:00 a.m.
EASTER Sunday, April 12	Orthros and Divine Liturgy – Όρθρος και Θεία Λειτουργία <b>EASTER SUNDAY – ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΠΑΣΧΑ – Vespers of Love (Agape) – Ο Εσπερινός της Αγάπης</b> 11:00 a.m. <i>Easter Egg Hunt</i>

**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.

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