

# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



**Sunday, May 26, 2019**  
**Sunday of the Samaritan**  
**Woman**

**Sts. Carpos & Alphaeus of the 70**  
**St. Alexandros of Thessaloni**



## ***Apolytikion of the Great and Holy PASCHA (1<sup>st</sup> Plagal Tone)***

Christ is risen from the dead, by death, trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

Χριστός ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω θάνατον πατήσας, και τοις εν τοις μνήμασι ζωήν χαρισάμενος.

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

The women disciples of the Lord, having learned from the Angel the joyous news of the Resurrection and having rejected the ancestral decision, then told the apostles elated: Death has been stripped of its power; Christ God has risen, granting to the world His great mercy.

Το φαιδρόν της Αναστάσεως κήρυγμα, εκ του Αγγέλου μαθούσαι αι του Κυρίου μαθήτριάι, και την προγονικήν απόφασιν απορρίψασαι, τοις Αποστόλοις καυχώμεναι έλεγον. Εσκύλευται ο θάνατος, ηγέρθη Χριστός ο Θεός, δωρούμενος τω κόσμω το μέγα έλεος.

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

Let us praise the all lauded and noble bride of Christ, the godly Katherine, 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 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 (4<sup>th</sup> Plagal Tone)***

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

Ει και έν τάφω κατήλθες άθανατε, αλλά του Άδου καθεΐλες την δύναμιν, και άνέστης ως νικητής, Χριστέ ό Θεός, γυναιξί Μυροφόροις φθεγζάμενος, χαιρέτε, και τοις σοις Αποστόλοις ειρήνην δωρούμενος ό τοις πεσοϋσι παρέχων άνάστασιν.

## *Epistle Reading*

*O Lord, how magnificent are your works. You have made all things in wisdom.*

*Bless the Lord, O my soul. The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles.*

**Acts 11:19-30** – In those days, those apostles who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabos stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea, and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

## *Gospel Reading*

**John 4:5-42** – At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him.

Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony. "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."



# Announcements



*Χριστός Ανέστη! Αληθώς Ανέστη! -- Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!*

**Memorial Service** is offered this morning for **Sophia Savas**, mother of Vanessa Savas. May her memory be eternal.

**Coffee hour** is sponsored this morning by Ms. Vanessa Savas and family in memory of her beloved mother, Sophia Savas; coffee hour is also sponsored by our Ladies Philoptochos.

**Saturday June 1st is our annual Ladies Philoptochos Luncheon** at Nostos restaurant in Vienna, VA. Prepaid reservations are accepted by Mary Varlas 703-965-4161. No payment at the door.

**The Ladies Philoptochos are collecting Greek Recipes**, in order to publish our first cookbook. Please email us your recipes at [greekrecipes@aol.com](mailto:greekrecipes@aol.com) or bring them to us at our table during the coffee hour.

**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 every Tuesday 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](mailto:polizos@att.com). Everyone welcome!

**Vacation Bible Camp 2019 registration is now open!!!** Camp is in session August 5th-9th from 10:00am-2:00pm daily. Our theme this year is Traveling the Ark of Salvation. Each day in camp offers a morning prayer service, arts & crafts, playtime and a lesson themed around the life of the Theotokos and Orthodox Christianity. The cost of the camp is \$30.00 per camper and includes lunch. Please stop by our sign-up table during coffee hour today. Also we are in need of teachers and volunteers to make this a success and a fun time for all. If you are available, please contact [victoriacherpes@gmail.com](mailto:victoriacherpes@gmail.com).

**Attention Parishioners!** When attending church services and events at our church, kindly please park your car properly within the designated parking space lines in the parking lot. This will prevent loss of a space for someone else to park their car. *Thank you!*

**Saint Genevieve Orthodox Book Club** is currently reading *Wounded by Love: The Life and Wisdom of Saint Porphyrios*. We hope you can join us for fellowship on June 2<sup>nd</sup> for our next meeting. If you would like to be included on our mailing list or for more information, please contact Victoria Cherpes, at [victoriacherpes@gmail.com](mailto:victoriacherpes@gmail.com).

**“Paideia preschool is looking to hire an assistant** for the summer program (Paideia Preschool) July 1- August 23. For more information, please contact the director at [ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com](mailto:ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com).”

## ***Saint Katherine Spring Festival***

**June 7, 8 and 9, 2019** – Traditional foods, drinks and deserts, arts and crafts, live music and dancing. The link to volunteer is: <https://signup.com/go/KfnpVFz>. For more information, please contact Andrea Ballard at 703-250-5419 or [andreaballard1@verizon.net](mailto:andreaballard1@verizon.net).



## Church Services

Monday, May 27	<b>Memorial Day – Trisagion Prayers</b> at the National Memorial Park Cemetery 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, June 2	<b>Sunday of the Blind Man</b> – Orthros 9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, June 6	<b>Holy Ascension</b> – Orthros 9:30 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, June 9	<b>Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council</b> – Orthros 9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Saturday, June 15	<b>Saturday of Souls</b> – Orthros 9:30 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, June 16	<b>THE HOLY PENTECOST</b> – Orthros 9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. <b>Father's Day</b>

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 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 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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