Sunday, May 27, 2018

HOLY PENTECOST

Hieromartyr Helladios
St. John the Russian of Evoia

Apolytikion of the Day (4th Plagal Tone)

Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast shown forth the fishermen as supremely wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit, and through them didst draw the world into Thy net. O Befriender of man, glory be to Thee.

Εὐλογητός εἶ Χριστὲ ὁ Θεος ἡμῶν ὁ πανσόφους τοὺς ἁλιεῖς ἁναδείξας αὐτοῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ ἁγιόν καὶ δι` αὐτῶν τὴν οἰκουμένην σαγηνεύσας φιλάνθρωπε δόξα Σοι.

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 ήμών και αντίληψιν. Ότι εφίμωσε λαμπρώς, τους κομψούς των ασεβών, του Πνεύματον τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ως Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα έλεος.

Kontakion of the Day (4th Plagal Tone)

Once, when He descended and confounded the tongues, the Most High divided the nations; and when He divided the tongues of fire, He called all men into unity; and with one accord we glorify the All-holy Spirit.

Ὅτε καταβὰς τὰς γλώσσας συνέχεε, διεμέριζεν ἔθνη ὁ Ὅψιστος· ὅτε τοῦ πυρὸς τὰς γλώσσὰς διένειμεν, εἰς ἑνότητα πάντας ἐκάλεσε, καὶ συμφώνως δοξάζομεν τὸ πανάγιον Πνεῦμα.
Epistle Reading

Their voice has gone out into all the earth.
The heavens declare the glory of God.
The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts 2:1-11 – WHEN THE DAY of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontos and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

Gospel Reading

John 7:37-52; 8:12 – On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him.

The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nikodemos, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Have a Pleasant and Safe Memorial Day!
Saint Katherine Spring Festival – Next weekend, June 1, 2, and 3, 2018, 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. daily. Traditional foods, drinks and desserts, arts and crafts, live music and dancing.

Calling All Parishioners! We need YOUR help at the Festival! To volunteer please go to http://signup.com/go/apOLoYr to sign up or email Andrea at andreaballard1@verizon.net or call 703-250-5419.

Coffee Hour is sponsored this morning by our Ladies Philoptochos.

Teachers Needed for 2018-2019! The 4th-grade and 7th/8th-grade teaching positions are now vacant and available for next year. Please consider stepping up to teach! It is just one hour a week from 9-10 a.m. on Sundays. We are also looking for volunteers who can co-teach or be available for subbing next year. Please contact Bill and/or Eleni Porter at beporter1@verizon.net. Thank you!!

Vacation Bible Camp 2018: June 25th – 29th from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. The theme is “The Armor of God!” and we will be covering the Lives of Superhero Saints. Registration will be closing at the end of May, so don’t delay!! Contact Eleni Porter if you can lend a helping hand!! beporter1@verizon.net or 703-470-9992.

Congratulations to our GOYANs!! Our Girls A team won the championship and our Boys B team came in 2nd place this past weekend at the SS. Constantine & Helen, Annapolis Basketball Tournament! Congratulations to all our GOYANs on another successful basketball season!


Camp Good Shepherd – VA – July 8-14
For those who have completed 5th grade – finished high school
Ask Nick for more info! njunes@stkchurch.com.

Saint Katherine Ladies Philoptochos is inviting you to their Annual Luncheon, on Saturday, June 9th at Nostos Restaurant, 8100 Boone Boulevard, Vienna, Virginia. Seating is limited. Deadline to make reservations is May 30th. For reservations please contact Patty Karounos at 703-459-0234 or Eleni Kanakos at 703-969-8364.

The Ladies Philoptochos invite you also to a Continental Breakfast on Father’s Day, June 17th, at the Meletis Charuhas Center following the Divine Liturgy. We will be raising funds for the “Heart to Heart” campaign that will help our brothers and sisters, who are in such financial crisis in Greece and Cyprus. Your donations are welcome. Please make your checks payable to: The Saint Katherine Ladies Philoptochos.

Daughters of Penelope – Please join us for the Daughters of Penelope end of the year luncheon June 16, 11:30 a.m. at Our Mom Eugenia Restaurant in Great Falls. It promises to be a great buffet for $30.00. Reservations required before June 7th. Please send check to: Karen Polizos, 903 Holly Creek Drive, Great Falls, VA 22066. Make Checks payable to: DOP Helle Chapter 283 or call Barbara Koltos at 703-250-7486.

The Evrytanian Association of America, Chapter 10 ‘Itia’ is hosting the 74th Annual Convention – Grand Banquet Dinner and Dance, Saturday, June 16th, 2018 at the Bethesda North Marriott (5701 Marinelli Road, Rockville, MD 20852). Drinks (cash bar) 6:30 -7:30 p.m., dinner 7:30-9:00 p.m., dessert, coffee and tea 9:00-9:30 p.m. Dance featuring The Golden Flame Band 10:00-2:00 p.m. $100 per person, $50 per child 10 and under. For tickets please follow the link: http://www.velouchiwashtingtondc.com/2018-velouchi-convention.html. Tickets can also be purchased by calling either JoAnn Nasios at 240-483-7145 or Theodosis Liappis at 703-216-1827.
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.