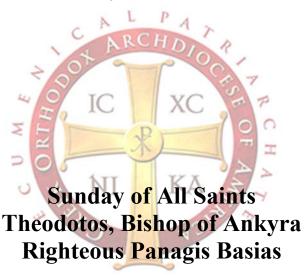
Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



Sunday, June 7, 2015





Apolytikion of the Day (4th Plagios Tone)

- --You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and condescended to be buried for three days, so that from the passions You might set us free. Our life and resurrection, O Lord, glory be to You.
- --Εξ ύψους κατήλθες ο εύσπλαγχνος, ταφήν καταδέξω τριήμερον, ίνα ημάς ελευθερώσης των παθών. Η ζωή και Ανάστασις ημών, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Apolytikion of All Saints (4th Tone)

- --Your Church, O Christ our God, clothed itself in the blood of Your martyrs from throughout the world, as though it were a robe of linen and purple; through them, she cries out to You, "Send down upon Your people compassion, grant peace to Your commonwealth, and to our souls, great mercy."
- --Των εν όλω τω κόσμω Μαρτύρων σου, ως πορφύραν και βύσσον τα αίματα, η Εκκλησία σου στολισαμένη, δι' αυτών βοά σοι. Χριστέ ο Θεός, τω λαώ σου τους οικτιρμούς σου κατάπεμψον, ειρήνην τη πολιτεία σου δώρησαι, και ταις ψυχαίς το μέγα έλεος.

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

Kontakion of the Day (4th Tone)

- --As the first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, the world presenteth the God-bearing martyred Saints in offering unto Thee, O Lord. Through their earnest entreaties, keep Thy Church in deep peace and divine tranquility, through the pure Theotokos, O Thou Who art greatly merciful.
- --Ως απαρχάς της φύσεως, τω φυτουργώ της κτίσεως, η οικουμένη προσφέρει σοι Κύριε, τους θεοφόρους Μάρτυρας, ταις αυτών ικεσίαις, εν ειρήνη βαθεία, την Εκκλησίαν σου, διά της Θεοτόκου συντήρησον, πολυέλεε.

Epistle Reading

God is wonderful among his Saints.

Bless God in the congregations.

The reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to the Hebrews

Hebrews 11:33-40, 12:1-2

Brethren, the saints 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 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.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30

The Lord said to his disciples, "Everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge him before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven.

"He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

Our Saint Katherine parish is pleased to welcome Metropolitan Kallistos Ware, from Oxford, England, for a Pan Orthodox Vespers on Saturday, June 13th, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. and Divine Liturgy on Sunday, June 14th. Following Vespers on Saturday, he will make a presentation "Divine Compassion and Restoring the Human Icon" in the church. Metropolitan Kallistos is one of our foremost Orthodox theologians today. Immediately following the presentation there will be a meal served in our Community Center. Metropolitan Kallistos' books will be available for purchase and for signing. If you would like to take part in the meal will be a \$15.00 charge, payable on site (children less than 12 are free). Please confirm your attendance at the meal with demakis9931@gmail.com or slanta@verizon.com.

Announcements

SAINT KATHERINE SPRING 2015 GREEK FESTIVAL – Today, 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. – Please get involved! Our Spring Festival is made possible by the combined efforts of many volunteers just like you! The success of our Festival depends on the support of all parishioners. Proceeds from our Festival assist Saint Katherine in continuing its ministries and programs.

The Ladies Philoptochos of Saint Katherine would like to let you know that they have *koulourakia* and *paximathia* available all year long. The Ladies Philoptochos thank you very much for your help and support. Please contact Mary Varlas at (703) 965-4161 or Eleni Kanakos at (703) 969-8364 for information or to place your order.

Parents are reminded that <u>children are not allowed to play on the stage</u> 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.

The 2015 Saint Katherine Vacation Bible Camp still needs teachers and volunteers! Please contact Vicki Mowery at (703) 913-3178 or mowerycrew@gmail.com, or Eleni Porter at (703) 913-9629 or beporter1@verizon.net if you are interested. Camp will take place June 22-26, 2015, 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., ages 4-14. Registration for camp is now closed. Please help us make this a memorable week for our youth. (Sponsored by AHEPA Chapter #438).

The Philoptochos Annual Dinner will be at the Anthony's Restaurant, Falls Church, this year, on June 9th, at 6:00 p.m. You are all invited to come! Dinner includes: Mezethakia, salad, choice of oven-roasted chicken with potatoes, or lamb shank with rice, wine, galaktoboureko, cost, including gratuity \$30.00. Please, make your reservations by calling Mary Drakoulis at (703) 273-4159.

Gentle Exercise Class – Reduce stress, lower blood pressure, gain flexibility, balance and circulation. Class includes deep breathing, stretching, balance, meditation and deep relaxation. Open to men and women of all ages and all fitness levels. 6 weeks for \$60.00, drop-in's \$12.00, payable to *Saint Katherine*. Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m., May 6 through June 17, held at Saint Katherine in large classroom across from board room. Bring a yoga mat, cushion and blanket. For further information contact Tina Ligelis at (703) 845-0520 or <u>LigelisCPA@aol.com</u>.

Camp Good Shepherd – June 28th (2:00 p.m. check in) – July 3rd (2:30 p.m. pick up) for grades 6th-12th. Location: Camp Piankatank (1586 Stampers Bay Road, Hartfield, VA 23071). Cost: \$495.00 by June 1st, \$545 after June 1st. Theme: *Living the Good Ife – The Beatitudes*. Scholarships are available by contacting the Metropolis Youth Office at (908) 301-0500 or by email dnphilotheos@nj.goarch.org. Registration: http://h3981838.ath.cx:8111/CGSOnline/login.html:jsessionid=EADCE6B54FD4DEA9CFE6CC48A7170195. Additional information: http://nj.goarch.org/youthyal/goodshepherd.htm.

Greek School and Paideia Preschool Graduation is on Saturday, June 13 at 10:00 a.m. Please support our Hellenic Education Center.

Registration for the 2015-2016 school year is now open for both Paideia Preschool, Greek School, and A Forms can be downloaded from HEC website (www.stkhec.org) or picked-up in the school office. Please contact HEC Director, Eleni Alexopoulou, with any questions, ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com.

Registration for Greek Adult classes – Please see our HEC website, <u>www.stkhec.org</u> for a registration form or pick up one from the school or the church office. Classes begin in September, Beginners Greek I and II on Tuesday evenings, and Intermediate and Advanced Greek on Thursday evenings.

Paideia Preschool is looking to hire a pre-K English teacher. If you are interested, please submit an updated CV to the HEC office at ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com.

Church Services

Monday, June 8

Apostles Fast Begins – Άρχεται η Νηστεία των Αποστόλων

Sunday, June 14

Sunday, June 21

2nd Sunday of Matthew – Β΄ Κυριακή Ματθαίου Orthros 8:30 a.m.

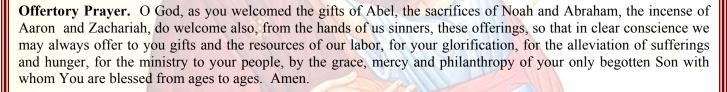
Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

3rd Sunday of Matt<mark>hew – Γ΄ Κυριακή Μα</mark>τθαίου

Orthros 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.
Father's Day

Please note that during the summer the Services are as follows:

Sunday Services: Orthros 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m., and Orthros/9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.



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 γιά 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 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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