Sunday, June 8, 2014

The Holy Pentecost

Της Πεντηκοστής
Holy Relics of Saint Theodore the Commander

Ανακομική Λειψάνων
Αγίου Θεοδώρου
Καλλιόπης Μάρτυρος

**Apolytikion of the Day 4th Plagios Tone**

Blessed are you O Christ our God, who did render, the fishermen all-wise, by sending the Holy Spirit upon them, and through them, the world capturing in your nets, glory to you who love mankind.

Ευλογητός ει Χριστέ ο Θεός ημών, ο πανσόφους, τους αλειείς αναδείξας, καταπέμψας αυτοίς το Πνεύμα το Άγιον, και δι’ αυτών, την οικουμένην σαγηνεύσας, Φιλάνθρωπε δόξα σοι.

**Apolitikion of Saint Katherine the Great Martyr (1st Plagios 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 us.

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 ως μάρτυς του Κυρίου στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι, το μέγα έλεος.

**Kontakion of the Day (2nd Plagios Tone)**

When he came down and confused all the languages (at the Tower of Babel), the Most High split the world into nations, when the tongues of fire to them he distributed, he called the world into unity, reasons then we glorify, the All-holy Spirit.

Ότε καταβάς, τας γλώσσας συνέχες, διεμέρισεν έθνη ο Ύψιστος. Ότε του πυρός τας γλώσσας διένεμεν, εις ενότητα πάντας εκάλεσε. Και συμφώνως δοξάζομεν, το Πανάγιον Πνεύμα.
Acts 2:1-11 – When the day of Pentecost has 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 their 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 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 priest 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.” Nicodemus, 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.”

Virginia and Maryland Orthodox Youth Day at Kings Dominion – Thursday, June 26, 2014. $51.00 per person. RSVP by June 5, 2014 to Presvytera Pauline at przpauline@stkchurch.com or (703) 239-2627.

Attention Graduates and Parents of Graduates! Saint Katherine would like to share the exciting news of your graduation with our entire community. A special section of the July/August 2014 DOXA will be dedicated to our graduates. Please send the following information no later than noon on Saturday, June 14: Graduate’s name, parents’ name(s), name of high school, name of college or future plans. You may also include a short list of accomplishments. The total submission should be 75 words or less. College and other higher education graduates are encouraged to send information as well.
**Announcements**

**Saint Katherine’s Spring Festival** – Today, from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Please stay and enjoy the delicious food, pastries, music, dancing, church tours, and much more...

**HEC Matching Grant** – All donations to the HEC up to a total of $1,000 will be matched by a matching grant program established by the Garnett family. Please make checks payable to St. Katherine Greek School with a notation “HEC Matching Grant.” Call the Church office, (703) 671-1515 for additional information. We gratefully acknowledge the Garnett family’s generosity and encourage everyone’s participation.

**Saint Katherine Paideia Preschool** – Every Wednesday, 9:30am - 11am, and 2:30pm - 3:30pm., and every Tuesday, 5:00pm - 6:00pm. For information please visit www.stkhec.org or contact Eleni Alexopoulou, Director, at 703-627-1556 or ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com. Information for HEC Summer Camp 2014 can be found in the narthex.

**Pan-Laconian Federation Scholarship Application 2014** – It is open to all high school graduates 2014 and present college students who have not received the award previously in college-graduate school-law/medical school. For further information please email Dimitra Marafatsos at Demitra13@aol.com.

**Project Mexico Mission Trip departs on August 13th and returns home August 19th.** Each team member is expected to fund raise $1,500.00. This covers air fare and expenses and also goes to fund needed items for the orphanage. Currently we are seeking four to five additional members to complete the Mission Team. We also need sponsors and donations to help our Team Members cover their expenses. Please contact Ray Vazquez rayvazquez1@aol.com or Father Panagiotis Hanley frphanley@stkchurch.com for more information or to submit donations.

**Camp Good Shepherd 2014** – All teenagers of our community are encouraged to join Fr. Costas at Camp Good Shepherd 2014, The Linwood-MacDonald YMCA Center, Brachville, New Jersey, Sunday, July 27 – Saturday, August 2. Camp cost: $525 for the week. Transportation is free! Transportation will be provided from/to St. Katherine. (The bus will pick up teenagers from Annunciation, Norfolk; SS. Constantine and Helen Newport News; and SS. Constantine and Helen, Richmond.) If interested, please contact Fr. Costas: frcostas@stkchurch.com, (703) 671-1515.

**Philoptochos Dinner/Meeting** – Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at the Amphora Restaurant, Vienna, VA, at 6:00 p.m. The cost is $30.00 per person. You have a choice of chicken kebob or salmon. For reservations and more information please call Mary Drakoulis at (703) 273-4159 or Eleni Kanakos at (703) 938-8360.

**Volunteers Urgently Needed for Church Construction in Kenya** – The OCMC will be sending teams to the Turkana region of Northern Kenya to help build the Church of St. Nicholas in the remote village of Lokichar. The first team will serve from June 17th to July 1st and the second from June 24th to July 11th. At least two more volunteers are urgently needed to each team. Apply online at www.ocmc.org. You can contact Andrew Lekos or Presv. Renee Ritsi by email at teams@ocmc.org or by phone at 1-877-463-6784, ext. #141, if you are able to help build a church for our newly illumined Turkana brothers and sisters in Christ.

**Serving Food at the Homeless Shelter** – On Tuesday, June 10th, 2014, our Mission and Outreach Committee will be serving dinner at the Bailey’s Crossroads Homeless Shelter at 5:30 p.m. If you are interested in helping to serve at the shelter, contact Dr. John Demakis at demakis9931@gmail.com.

**Greek School Graduation** is this coming Saturday, June 14, 2014. Greek School students must be in class at regular time 9:30 a.m. to receive their certificates and awards. Program will begin at 10:30 a.m. with both, Greek School students and Paideia Preschool children. After the program a picnic will follow with hamburgers, hotdogs, desert and refreshments.
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, ὅπως δέχθηκες τα δώρα του Άβελ, τις θυσίες του Νώε και του Αβραάμ, το θυμίαμα του Ααρών και του Ζαχαρία, ας δέχθηκε 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 αἰώνα. Αμήν.