Apolytikion of the Day (1st Tone)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Thine immaculate Body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to Thee, O Life-giver, Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy Kingdom, glory to Thy dispensation, O only Friend of man.

Του λίθου σφραγισθέντος υπό των Ιουδαίων, και στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων το ἁγραντόν σου σώμα, ανέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος το κόσμῳ την ζωήν. Διά τούτο α Δυνάμεις των ουρανών εβοών σοι Ζωοδότα. Δόξα τι αναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τη Βασιλεία σου, δόξα τη οἰκονομία σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

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 Χριστοῦ υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημῶν και αντίληψιν. Ότι εφίσσεσαι λαμπρῶς, τους κομψούς των ασεβῶν, του Πνεύματος τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ὃς Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα ἔλεος.

Kontakion of the Day (2nd Tone)

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant, O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee. Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

Προστασία των Χριστιανών ακατασχυνε, μεσιτεία προς τον Ποιητήν αμετάθετε. Μή παρίξεις αμαρτωλῶν δείσεων φωνάς, ἀλλά πρόφθασον, ὡς αγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ημῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι. Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεύσον εἰς ικεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα αεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.
Epistle Reading

Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.
Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

The reading is from Saint Paul’s Letter to the Romans.

Romans 2:10-16

Brethren, glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:18-23

At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

Happy and Safe 4th of July!
**Announcements**

**Memorial Services** are offered this morning for Dr. George John Simeon, husband of Mrs. Evelyn E. Simeon and father of Laura, Scott and Michelle; and for Constantine S. Sarakinis, son of Mr. & Mrs. Panagiotis and Irene Sarakinis, and brother of Mavra, Soula, Natalie and Antigone. May their memory be eternal!

**Coffee Hour** is sponsored this morning by Mrs. Evelyn Simeon and family in memory of her beloved husband, Dr. George John Simeon.

**Philoptochos** – To sponsor Coffee Hour after a Memorial Service is a $175.00 donation. It will include set up coffee, 100 koulourakia, 100 paximathia, putting koliva in cups and cleaning up. Donations need to be sent to Saint Katherine’s in advance. Please write checks to: Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church. Parishioners will call the church first for the date and all their information and then, they can contact Mary Varlas at (703) 965-4161 or Eleni Kanakos at (703) 969-8364.

**Need for Catechetical School Teachers** – A few of our dearly loved Sunday School teachers will be stepping down after many years of service. As a result, we need stewards who are willing to fill these openings for the continued Christian Education of our children. We are looking to fill these positions for the 2016-2017 school year, so please contact Bill and/or Elaine Porter at beporter1@verizon.net ASAP. Thank you in advance!

**The Saint Katherine HEC Greek School** is leading an initiative to include Modern Greek as part of the Fairfax County “credit by exam” program. To do so, we need to collect 200 names of FCPS junior high and high school students who know Greek. If we are successful, our children can obtain high school credit for their knowledge of Greek. If you or your child is currently enrolled in grades 6-12 in a FCPS school and know Greek, please contact pelekasisgreece@yahoo.com to provide your/your child’s information so we can collect the 200 names.

**Kindergarten Teacher** – The Hellenic Education Center in Falls Church is seeking for an English language teacher for its inaugural kindergarten class for 2016-2017. This is a 6 time position (4.5 hours daily) in a Greek immersion program. This position can be turned into a full time position by adding a preschool class or before/after care responsibilities, according to the candidate’s preference. Lean more about our school at ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com or www.stkhec.org.

**Monumental Missions Walk, October 15, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** Save the date! The tent will be set up on the DC Mall near 3rd/4th Streets, next to the American Indian Museum. The 2-3 mile walk will go past the Capital and other monuments/memorials in the area. Please consider picking up a registration form/sponsor sheet available after church and ask family and friends to sponsor you for the walk. Help us raise funds for OCMC and local VA charities, while walking with other Orthodox Christians. Checks should be made out to Saint Katherine Church, with “Monumental Missions Walk 2016” in the memo line. If questions, email Eleni Porter at beporter1@verizon.net.

**Orthodox Youth Day at Kings Dominion** – The June 28 Regional Orthodox Youth Day at Kings Dominion will not take place. Fr. Costa will try to organize a day at Kings Dominion with our local churches later this summer. If it comes to fruition, the information will be in the Sunday bulletins and mailed to our listserv.

**Pray – Volunteer – Donate! Focus North America Summer Feeding** – Childhood hunger is a problem that affects over 21 million children in the United States. In the District of Columbia alone, 13.2% of all households are food insecure. For two weeks this summer the Orthodox Churches of D.C. will serve over 15,000 meals to children who suffer from childhood hunger. Volunteer are needed to prepare and distribute meals. We need you June 27 – September 2! Sign up to volunteer at WWW.FOCUSNORTHAMERICA.ORG/WASHINGTONDC. For questions email or call DC@FOCUSNA.ORG, 866-267-3083.
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 Άβραάμ, το θυμίαμα του Ααρών και του Ζαχαρία, ας δεχθείς από τα αμαρτώλα 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 πένιας, προς διακονία του λαού Σου, προς συγχώρηση των αμαρτιών και εξάλειψη τον λαού σου, με την χάρη, το έλεος και φιλανθρωπία του μονογενούς Σου Υιού. Ευλογημένο να είναι το όνομά Σου εις τον αιώνα. Αμήν.