Apolytikion of the Day (4th Tone)

Το φαιδρόν της Αναστάσεως κήρυγμα, εκ του Αγγέλου μαθούσαι αι του Κυρίου μαθήτριαι, και την προφονικήν απόφασιν απορρίψασαι, τοις αποστόλοις καυχώμεναι έλεγον. Έσκυλευται ο θάνατος, ηγέρθη Χριστός ο Θεός, δωρούμενος τω κόσμω το μέγα έλεος.

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Angel the joyful message of the Resurrection and the rejection of the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly. Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world.

Apolytikion of Saint Katherine the Great Martyr (1st Plagios Tone)

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 νως μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα έλεος.

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.

Kontakion of the Day (4th Plagios Tone)

Επί του όρους μετεμορφώθης, και ως εχώρουν οι Μαθηταί σου, την δόξαν σου Χριστέ ο Θεός εθεάσαντο. Ίνα όταν σε ίδοσι σταυρωθέν, το μεν πάθος νοήσωσιν εκούσιον, το δε κόσμω κηρύξωσιν, ότι συ υπάρχεις αληθώς, του Πατρός το απαύγασμα.

Upon the mount you were transfigured, and your Disciples, beheld our glory, as far as they were able, O Christ our God; so that when they would see you being crucified, they would know that you suffered willingly; and thus proclaim to all the world, that you are truly the one, who is the Father’s radiance.
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 Saint Paul’s Letter to the Romans.*

**Romans 10:1-10** – Brethren, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified.

Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says, Do not say in your heart, “Who will ascend into heaven?” (that is, to bring Christ down) or “Who will descend into the abyss?” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saves.

Gospel Reading

**Matthew 8:28-34, 9:1** – At that time, when Jesus came to the other side, to the country of the Gadarenes, two demoniacs met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way.

And behold, they cried out, “What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?” Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged him, “If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of swine.” And he said to them, “Go.” So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters.

The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw him, they begged him to leave their neighborhood.

And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city.
Memorial Services are offered this morning for Emanuel Kalarhakis, father of Mallamo Mavromatakis and Anna Noussis; for Rev. Stephen & Presv. Diana, Paul & Antonia, George, Steve, Michael, Kyriaki, and Diana Zevgolis, grandparents, parents, brothers, and sisters of Mrs. Irene Burton; for Helen and Ioanna Hios, aunts of Mrs. Irene Burton; and for Despina Kyrkou, mother of Androulla Tsentas. May their memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is offered this morning by the Mavromatakis, Noussis, Burton, Manno, and Tsentas Families in memory of their beloved ones.

Saint Katherine is offering a Summer Camp for 2 year olds and 3-5 year olds this summer. Both camps are offered from 2 July-16 August on a weekly basis, with after care available. Many fun activities are planned! If interested, please contact, director@gopaideia.org.

Appalachian Outreach Project – From August 22 through August 26, 2013, members of Saint Katherine and other area Orthodox churches will be going down to North Carolina on a mission trip by Father Costa. We will be working with the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians United to Serve (FOCUS) on Habitat for Humanity-type projects. Volunteers must be at least 14 y/o. FOCUS will assign projects based on the skills each volunteer group. The deadline for registration is August 1, 2013 and the slots are filling up rapidly. To register, see information in the July/August DOXA or email Daphne Papamichale at cyprusd@aol.com or Stacey Kazacos at Stacey@sent.com.

Philoptochos – Please mark on your calendars the following dates: Philoptochos Meeting, September 22; Philoptochos Agape Foundation Tea, October 27; and Philoptochos Yard Sale in October (date will be announced later).

Daughters of Penelope Helle Chapter is collecting backpacks and scientific calculators for students age 14-18 attending our local neighborhood high schools. Donations will be collected through Sunday, August 11. A collection box will be located in the hall entrance. Monetary donations are welcome and will go toward purchasing these items. Checks can be made payable to DOP-Helle Chapter 283 and mailed to Karen Polizos, 903 Holly Creek Drive, Great Falls, VA 22066. This is a coordinated collection through the Fairfax County organization, Our Daily Bread. Thank you for your support!

Operation: Lace up – On August 21-22, 2013 over three thousand (3,000) pairs of children’s shoes will be delivered to St. Katherine to be distributed to homeless children in Washington, DC Metropolitan area. This program is administered by FOCUS (Fellowship of Orthodox United to Serve). We will need volunteers to help unload and sort the shoes into sizes and school districts. The shoes must be moved out in 5-6 days. If you are interested to help, please contact Eleni Porter at bporter1@verizon.net.

Monumental Mission Walk Saturday, October 19, 2013 – Our Mission and Outreach Committee is sponsoring a walk on the National Mall for Orthodox Missions. For more information see the July/August DOXA.

Caregiver, Babysitter, or Housekeeper available – Looking for a job with a family for P/T or F/T position. Mature, responsible, patient, reliable, and honest with good references upon request. Available to do housekeeping, tutoring Greek too. Please contact Maria at (703) 938-0538.
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, ὁπως 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 την φιλανθρωπία του μονογενούς Σου Υιού. Ευλογημένο να είναι το ονόμα Σου εις τον αιώνα. Αμήν.