Apolytikion of the Day (1st Plagal Tone)

- Let us the faithful give praise and worship to the Logos, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation; for of His own goodwill he consented to ascend the cross in the flesh and endured death and raised the dead by His glorious resurrection.

- Το συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρί και Πνεύματι, τον εκ Παρθένου τεθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ανυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν. Ὅτι ἡμόκηπε σαρκί, ανελθείν αὐτῷ σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον υπομείναι, καὶ εγείραι τοὺς τεθνεότας, εν τῇ ενδόξῳ Αναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

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

- Let us praise the all lauded and noble bride of Christ, the godly Katherine, the guardian of Sinai and its defense, who is also our support, assistance and our help; for with the Holy Spirit's sword she hath silenced brilliantly the clever among the godless; and being crowned as a Martyr, she now does ask great mercy for us all.

- Την πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστού υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημῶν και αντίληψιν. Ὅτι εφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τους κομψούς των ασεβών, του Πνεύματος τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ως Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα έλεος.

Kontakion of the Day (2nd Tone)

- The protection of Christians unshameable, intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, do not turn from the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good; your loving help bring unto us, who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercession and speed now to supplication, as a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

- Προστασία των χριστιανών ακατάσχυτη, μεσιτεία προς τον Πατέρα αμετάθετε, μή παρίδης, αμαρτωλόν δείησων φωνάς, αλλὰ πρόφθασον ὡς αγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶν κραυγαζόντων σοι: Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεύδον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, η προστατεύουσα αἰεί, Θεοτόκε τῶν τιμώντων σε.
Epistle Reading

You, O Lord, shall keep us and preserve us.

Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

Corinthians 1:21-24; 2:1-4 – Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me - it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

Gospel Reading

Luke 5:1-11 – At that time, as Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Adult Bible Class - Classes are held every Sunday at 9:30am in the board room of the Meletis Charuhas Center. Join us each Sunday to learn more about our faith. “A Journey through the Orthodox Faith Guided by the Words of the Bible”. This year’s topic: The Gospel of Luke. Please see enclosed flyer. For more information or questions, please contact Bill Polizos at 571-434-7790 or polizos@att.com. Everyone is welcome!

Journey to Orthodoxy – The “Journey to Orthodoxy” class for adults meets 9:30am-10:30am Sunday, before Liturgy, (concurrently with the Sunday School). The class is designed for non-Orthodox inquirers into Orthodoxy as well as for Orthodox Christians who want to know more about the teachings, practices, history, and contemporary life of our Orthodox faith. It is also recommended for intending or newly married couples where one spouse is not Orthodox. The class is held in an informal discussion format. Text is provided. We meet in the Seniors’ Kentro room on the ground floor of Founders’ Hall. For further information, please contact the teachers, Dr. John Demakis demakis9931@gmail.com or Mr. Jim Jatras heraclius13@gmail.com, 202-375-1007.
Memorial Service is offered this morning for Penelope M. Alatis, mother of William and Anthony Alatis. May her memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is sponsored this morning by the Alatis family in memory of their beloved mother, Penelope M. Alatis; and by our Ladies Philoptochos.

The Ladies Philoptochos is inviting all parishioners, young and mature on Friday, October 18th, 7:00pm-9:00pm at the Chelpon Hall, for an ongoing seminar, of our Metropolis Opioid Response Effort “Support Without Judgment”. Reception to follow.

GOYA – We will be registering GOYAns and selling ads for our Basketball tournament (11/2-3) after Church. Upcoming events: Potluck Picnic, 9/28; Youth Sunday/Meeting, 9/29. For more information, email SaintKatherineGOYA@aol.com.

Catechetical Lectures of Saint Cyril of Jerusalem – A Greek Bible Study led by Professor Ioannis Gkigkitzis. The Adult Catechism and Sacraments class “Catechetical Lecture of Saint Cyril” is taking place every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room. This includes time for discussion and fellowship.

The Genevieve Orthodox Book Club meets the last Sunday of each month after the Divine Liturgy in the Seniors Kentron. All are welcome to join us. If you would like to be included on our mailing list or for more information, please contact vistoriacherpes@gmail.com.

Attention Parishioners! When attending church services and events at our church, kindly please park your car properly within the designated parking space lines in the parking lot. This will prevent loss of a space for someone else to park their car. Thank you!

Mission Trip – Are you interested in going on an OCMC mission trip? Last year, OCMC sent 22 short term mission teams to 10 countries and ministered to nearly 7,000 people. See OCMC.org for more information.

Saint Katherine Fall Festival – October 4-6, 2019, 11:00am-9:00pm. Live music by Golden Flame. We need volunteers for the Festival! We are using SignUp.com to organize volunteers for our upcoming Fall Festival. Click https://signup.com/go/HqZxrRC to see our SignUp. Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like; or Sign up! It’s easy-you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.

Daughters of Penelope - Helle Chapter 283, and Saint Katherine’s Ladies Philoptochos are accepting New Hoodies and Sweatshirts. Please click on link http://bit.ly/DOPHelleKeepWarm. Monetary donations will be accepted. Thank you!

The Daughters of Penelope is an organization that promotes Hellenism, Education and Philanthropy. Our next initiation will take place at 12 Noon on October 13, in Chelpon Hall. If you are interested in joining this wonderful organization, please contact Rosalie Georgeadis @ 703 432-1723 or rgeorgeadis@hotmail.com, or President, Maria Vargas 703- 812-0286 (Mariatv703@yahoo.com).
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.

The Sunday bulletin is available online at http://www.saint-katherines.org/about_us/sunday-bulletins.