Sunday, October 5, 2014
2nd Sunday of Luke

Charitina the Martyr
Righteous Methodia of Kimolos
Χαριτίνης Μάρτυρος
Οσίας Μεθοδίας εκ Κιμώλου

**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 κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ίνα ημάς ελευθερώσης των παθών. Η ζωή και η ανάστασις ημών, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

**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. Ὑπο τον Πνεύματον τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα ἔλεος.

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

O protection of the Christians unashamable, mediation to the Creator immovable, despise not, the pleading voices of those in sin, but hasten, O good one, to the help of all of us, who in faith cry out to you. Speed up your intercession, and press on your supplication, O Theotokos who always protect, all those who honor you.

Προστασία των χριστιανών ακαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία προς τον Ποιητήν αμετάθετε, μή παρίδης, αμαρτωλών δεήσεων φωνάς, αλλά πρόφθασον ως αγαθή, εἰς την βοήθειαν ημών, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι. Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεύσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, η προστατεύουσα αεί, Θεοτόκε τῶν τιμώντων σε.
Epistle Reading

Make your vows to the Lord our God
and perform them.
God is known in Judah.
His name is great in Israel.

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

2nd Corinthians 6:16-18, 7:1 – Brethren, what agreement has the temple of God with idols?
For we are the temple of the living God; as God said,
“I will live in them and move among them
and I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.
Therefore come out from them and be separate
from them, says the Lord,
and touch nothing unclean;
then I will welcome you,
and I will be a father to you,
and you shall be my sons and daughters,
says the Lord Almighty.”
Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of
body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.
Open your hearts to us; we have wronged no one, we have corrupted no one, we have
taken advantage of no one.

Gospel Reading

Luke 6:31-36 – The Lord said: “As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them.”
“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those
who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you?
For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what
credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your
enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and
you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful,
even as your Father is merciful.”

Wisdom of the Church Fathers

And see how He also makes His discourse unexceptionable: not saying at all, "whether you will, or no, you must suffer this,”
but how? "If any man will come after me."

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"I force not, I compel not, but each one I make lord of his own choice; wherefore also I say, 'If any man will.' For to good
things do I call you, not to things evil, or burdensome; not to punishment and vengeance, that I should have to compel.

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Nay, the nature of the thing is alone sufficient to attract you." ... For thou oughtest not, O Peter, because thou hast confessed
me Son of God, therefore only to expect crowns, and to suppose this enough for thy salvation, and for the future to enjoy
security, as having done all. ..."

St. John Chrysostom, Homily 55 on Matthew 16, 1. B#54, p.339,
4th Century
Swearing-in of 2014-2015 GOYA Officers – The newly elected GOYA Board will be sworn in following Liturgy today. The Board members are: Demetrios Karounos, President; Stavros Voudouris, 1st Vice President; John Nicopoulos, 2nd Vice President; Alex Cameron, Treasurer; Christina Kosmakos, Secretary; Theo Karounos and Effie Petalas, Historians; and Kosta Pehlivanis and Van Strifas, Sergeants at Arms. Congratulations! We wish you a successful year.

Women's Book Club - Please join us on Wednesday, October 8 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for our first meeting. We will be starting a new book, *Father Arseny, 1893-1973: Priest, Prison, Spiritual Father*, which is on sale at the St. Katherine bookstore. For further information contact Mrs. Marilyn Rouvelas at mrouvelas@verizon.net.

22nd Children’s AGAPE Foundation Annual Tea – You are cordially invited to attend the 22nd Annual Tea to benefit The Children’s AGAPE Foundation of the Greater Washington Area Philoptochos Societies (Helping Orthodox children with financial assistance for medical treatment) on Sunday, October 12, 2014, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Speaker: Prof. Peter Kokkinos. Topic: “Lifestyle Modifications for Better Health”. Location: Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 2747 Riva Road, Annapolis, MD 21401. Free admission and door prizes. Donations Welcome. For more information, please contact Stella Katcheves 410-268-8404 or Evangeline Kokkinos 410-268-7639.

Adult Bible Study – Classes began September 21. This year, we will explore The Letters of Saint Paul. Classes are held every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the board room of the Meletis Charuhas Center. For more information or questions, please contact Bill Polizos at 571-434–7790 or polizos@att.com. All are welcome!

Food Pantry – Our next food pantry collection will be on Sunday, October 19, 2015. We will be handing out cloth bags for the food collection after church on Sunday, October 5 and October 12. Please use the cloth bags, since paper bags tend to tear. Please bring the food only on Sunday, October 19. Please be generous. The last three collections, we donated more than 1000 lbs. of food each time. Let’s not break our streak!

FAMILY FUN is back with FAMILY FUN DAY! Join us on Sunday, October 19 from 1-5pm for a fun-filled carnival-inspired afternoon complete with catered lunch, magic show, balloon twisting, games activities and much more! Buy tickets online at [www.degreek.com](http://www.degreek.com) by 10/12 to receive the early bird price – adults $25, children $10, kids age 5 and under free. Don’t forget to enter our raffle for a chance to win amazing prizes, including electronics, merchandise, gift certificates, and big ticket items (1for $5, 3 for $10, 7 for $20). Raffle tickets can be purchased from any PAIDEIA family or staff. FAMILY FUN DAY is organized by The PAIDEIA Preschool with proceeds benefiting The Hellenic Education Center. Get ready for some FUN!

Kenya Short Term Missionary – Mary VanMullekom one of our Saint Katherine parishioners, has been chosen by the OCMC for a short term teaching team to Kenya. Mary and her team will be in Kenya from October 27 to November 8, 2014. The Team will minister in Nairobi, the hub of the Orthodox Church of Kenya, to the students of the Makarios III Seminary, the Orthodox Teachers College of Africa and the Saint Clement of Alexandria School by leading classes, tutoring students and teaching the English language. Please keep Mary and her team in your prayers. Contributions can be sent to Saint Katherine and on the memo line, specify, Mary VanMullekom.

Save the Date - Saint Katherine Annual Dinner Gala - November 9, 2014 - Hilton McLean Tysons Corner.

Our Saint Katherine’s Fall Festival is TODAY – October 5, 2014 – Please come and enjoy our Greek food, Greek pastries, Live music, Greek folk dancing, Church tours…and much more! Admission is free!
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 δέχθεις 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

Church Services

Sunday, October 12  Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council  Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Orthros and Catechetical School 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, October 18  Saint Luke the Evangelist  Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, October 19  3rd Sunday of Luke  Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Orthros and Catechetical School 9:30 a.m.
Sunday, October 26  6th Sunday of Luke; Saint Demetrios the Myrrh-Streamer  Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Orthros and Catechetical School 9:30 a.m.