**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 arisen on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to Thee, O Lifegiver: 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 στρατιωτών φυλασσόντων το ἁχραντόν Σου σώμα, ανέστη τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δημιουργός τω κόσμῳ την ζωήν. Διὰ τούτο αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν εβόων σοι Ζωοδότα. Δόξα τῇ αναστάσει Σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ Σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ 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 Χριστού υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ημών και αντίληψιν. Ότι εφίμωσε λαμπρώς, τους κομψούς των ασεβών, του Πνεύματον τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ως 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 τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκατάσχοντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητήν ἀμετάβετε. Μὴ παρίδῃς ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι: Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεύδον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἡ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμῶντων σε.
**Epistle Reading**

*Their voice has gone out into all the earth.*

*The heavens declare the glory of God.*

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

2nd Corinthians 9:6-11 – Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

**Gospel Reading**

Luke 7:11-16 – At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

**JOURNEY TO ORTHODOXY:** This is a reminder that the “Journey to Orthodoxy” class for adults meets 9-10 AM 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 Church. It is also recommended for intending or newly married couples, especially where one spouse is not Orthodox. The class is held in an informal discussion format. Text is provided. We meet at in the Seniors’ Kentro room on the ground floor of Founders’ Hall. For further information contact the teachers, John Demakis demakis9931@gmail.com or Jim Jatras heraclius13@gmail.com 202 375-1007.

**All youth and young adults are encouraged to help at the Greek Festival!**

**GOYA Basketball practice** is suspended due to the festival and gym floor maintenance

**GOYA**
- 10/14-10/15 – SAT-SUN – Lock-In at Saints C&H Richmond
- 10/21 – SAT – Service Saturday – Apple Picking

**YAL**
- 10/12 – THU – Open Discussion Forum Night! – downstairs of Chelpon Hall
- 10/18 – WED – Faith Discussion at Saint Sophia
- 10/21 – SAT – Service Saturday – Apple Picking

**OCF**
- Know an Orthodox at GMU? Pass their info. to njunes@stkchurch.com

**Moms, Pops & Tots, HOPE, JOY**
- 10/21 – SAT – 3:00pm – Burke Nursery Pumpkin Playground

**Congratulations to our GOYANS** on a fantastic tournament weekend! Our Boys’ B team won the championship; our Girls’ A team came in 3rd, and our Girls’ B team came in 2nd this past weekend at St. Nicholas Basketball Tournament in Baltimore!

**St. Katherine’s Paideia Preschool** will be hosting their Annual Fall Family Fun Night on November 4th, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and will include raffles, prizes, face painting, magic show and more! Join us for this fun filled event for all ages! Tickets (adults $30.00 and kids 2 and over $10.00) can be purchased on DCGreeks.com. For more information please contact mdliakos@aol.com.
SAINT KATHERINE FALL FESTIVAL – TODAY, from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Please come and enjoy our delicious Greek food, Greek pastries, live Greek music, Greek folk dancing, Church tours…and much more! Admission is free.

Missionary Trip to Kenya – A blessing and a good trip to our parishioners who are leaving for far away Kenya for a missionary work there. They are: Father Constantinos Pavlakos, Victoria Cherpes, Nicholas Dopuch, Peter and Despina (Raizes) Kehoe, Veronica Pintilie, Elaine Porter, Vivian Chelpon, Mary VanMullekem, and Effie Wingate. God bless you!

Registration for the 2017-2018 HEC school year is now open for both Paideia Preschool and Greek School. Forms can be downloaded from HEC website (www.stkhec.org) or picked-up in the school office. Registration for Greek Adult classes – Classes begin in September, Beginners Greek I and II on Tuesday evenings, and Intermediate and Advanced Greek on Thursday evenings. Contact Eleni Alexopoulou, with any questions, ealexopoulou@stkchurch.com.

SAVE THE DATE – Saint Katherine Annual GALA, Sunday, November 19 at the Hilton McLean. Join us as we gather to give thanks for our community’s many blessings and recognize this year’s worthy honorees for their devoted service to our community – Presvytera Pauline Pavlakos and the Peter N. Derzis AHEPA Chapter 438.

Warm Clothing Drive - The Daughters of Penelope and our Philoptochos are collecting hoodies, sweatshirts, and jackets Sept 3 - Oct 29. Sizes needed are for children, teens and adults. Donations must be new (preferred) or items in perfect and clean condition. Drop your donations in the box in the hall foyer after church or directly to the church office. You can sign up to donate at: http://bit.ly/KeepWarm2017. Monetary donations are welcome, payable to DOP-Helle 283 and mail to Karen Polizos, 903 Holly Creek Drive, Great Falls, VA 22066, which will be used to purchase items needed. Thank you!

AHEPA Christmas Ornaments – The Peter N. Derzis AHEPA Chapter #438 is proud to announce our Tenth Annual Community Christmas Ornament. These collectable ornaments have grown in popularity from year to year and they will be available for purchase at our Fall Festival. Our latest limited edition ornament, entitled “Evzone Nutcracker” is a whimsical portrayal of a classic Christmas image with a Hellenic twist that is sure to delight young and old. Manufactured by the same firm that creates the famous White House Christmas ornaments, they make excellent gifts and are the ideal stocking stuffer. Your purchases help make our philanthropy in support of our community and Hellenic ideals possible! For additional information, call 703-671-7225.

Save the date, October 29, 2017 – Turning stress into strength through the Jesus Prayer, presented by Dean Chelpon LCSW after Liturgy in the Chelpon Hall. All are welcome, light refreshments will be served. The presentation is sponsored by the Daughters of Penelope and AHEPA.

Ladies Philoptochos would love to thank all of our parishioners for their great generosity during tropical storms Harvey and Irma.

October is Cancer Awareness month. We are accepting donations every Sunday till the end of the month during coffee hour “Give Cancer the boot”.

October 22 is “Agape Tea” at Saints Peter and Paul”, Frederick, MD, from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Food Pantry – On October 15 and 22 volunteers will be handing out empty blue bags for donations to the St. Katherine Food Pantry located at Columbia Baptist Crossroads Church several blocks away. Each bag has a suggested list of nutritious food for hungry families. Please take a bag and bring back brimming to the foyer of the community center on Sunday, October 29. Thank you for your support of our bi-annual food drive!
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 δόρα και τους κόπους της εργασίας μας γιά την δόξα Σου, προς ελάφρυνση τον δοκιμασμό και της πείνας, προς διακονία του λαού Σου, προς συγχώρηση των αμαρτιών και εξίλασμό 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.