Apolytikion of the Day (4th Plagios Tone)

Εξ ύψους κατήλθες ο εὐσπλαχνός, ταφήν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ίνα ημάς ελευθερώσης των παθών. Η ζωή και η ανάστασις ήμων, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

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.

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

Την πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστού υμνήσωμεν, Αικατερίναν την θείαν και πολιούχον Σινά, την βοήθειαν ήμων και αντίληπνην, ότι εφίμωσε λαμπρώς, τοὺς κομψούς των ασεβῶν, του Πνεύματος τη δυνάμει. Και ως μάρτυρα του Κυρίου στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι, το μέγα έλεος.

The all-blessed bride of Christ let us extol 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 (2nd Tone)

Προστασία των χριστιανών ακαταίσχυντε, μεσιεία πρὸς τὸν ποιητήν ομετάθετε, μι παρίδης, αμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνᾶς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον ως αγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ήμων, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι. Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεύσον εἰς ικεσίαν, η προστατεύουσα αεί, Θεοκόκε τον τιμῶντον σε.

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.
**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.*

2\textsuperscript{nd} Corinthians 6:6-18, 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 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 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!”

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Sebastian Viscuso, age 14, son of the Rev. Dr. Patrick and Presvytera Susan Viscuso, will be awarded the rank of Eagle Scout at a Court of Honor today, Sunday, October 9, 2011, 2:00 p.m. in Founders’ Hall. His service project was the planning and construction of the beautiful shrine and garden to the Theotokos located in front of the playground on the grounds of our Church. Sebastian is a freshman at St. Albans School in Washington, D.C. We all wish him Congratulations!

Philoptochos – There will be a Philoptochos meeting on Sunday, October 16, 2011 after the second Liturgy.

IOCC ANNUAL BANQUET – The 7\textsuperscript{th} Annual International Christian Charities Benefit Banquet is Sunday, November 6, 2011, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. at St. Sophia Cathedral with Vespers at 4:30 p.m. Entertainment by Spyros Koliavasilis and The Mediterranean Colors. You can register on-line at iocc.org. Tickets are $55.00; $65.00 if purchased after October 28.

The Helle Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope is selling personalized bakeware from “That’s My Pan.” The pans could be used to make pastisio, moussaka, baklava…the list is endless! They are great for gift-giving as well! For more information, please contact Lynn Francis at elfran@cox.net or (703) 978-4370 or stop by the display after church services on Sunday, October 16\textsuperscript{th}. All proceeds will be donated to our philanthropic endeavors supporting those who are victims of domestic violence.

The Daughters of Penelope Helle Chapter #238 will be collecting new winter jackets for abused and homeless boys and girls in sizes 3-4 throughout October and November. We will deliver the jackets the week of Thanksgiving. Please be generous since many of these children must leave their homes quickly and without any clothing except for what they were wearing. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, we will shop for the jackets. Please make checks payable to: Daughters of Penelope Helle Chapter #238. Point of contact, Kathy Cavallo at kcavallo@aol.com or (703) 978-1539. There will be a labeled box in Meletis Charuhas center on Sundays or bring them to the office of St. Katherine during the week.

The Women’s Book Club will meet on Wednesday, October 12 at 10:30 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Christina Vazquez at czvmail@aol.com.

The St. Katherine Support Our Troops Program is looking for names of men and women serving our country overseas. We would like to send out packages and cards for the upcoming holidays. Please e-mail Ray Vazquez (rayvazquez1aol.com) names and addresses of anyone you know who is deployed.

Many thanks to all our parishioners who helped with our fall festival last cold weekend or they gave monetary donations. May God bless you and let all pray so we can have good weather at our spring festival!
Announcements

Memorial Services are offered this morning for Aphrodite Carter, mother of Dean Kavalieratos; and for Venkatasubbamma Reddy, mother of Karstey Reddy. May their memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is offered this morning by Mr. Dean Kavalieratos and family in memory of his beloved mother, Aphrodite Carter.

Sacraments - Congratulations to Dimitrios and Stavroula Kouretas on the baptism of their daughter Danae Lily on October 8 at 11:00 a.m.; and to Mario and Rebecca Adractas on the baptism of their daughter Sofia on October 8 at 1 a.m.

Catechetical School - We are adding a new Pre-K 3½ year old class this year. Please call Christian Demeter, 703-534-5669 for additional information.

The Nursery, located on the lower level of the church, is “open for business.” The space is available to parents who need a place to take a break with their babies and toddlers during church services. Children must be supervised at all times.

Fall Weeknight Adult Bible Study meets Wednesdays, through November 16, 7:30pm-8:45 p.m. in the boardroom of the Meletis Charuhas Center. Come join us as we discuss Love in the Letters of John “the disciple Jesus loved.” What better source could there be for exploring what it means to live in love with our Lord Jesus and our brethren? Can’t make it every week? No problem! Drop-ins are welcome, including our older teens.

Orthodox Christian Mission Center Benefit Banquet will be held at Saint Katherine on Sunday, April 29. The speaker will be Fr. Martin Ritsi. For more information, contact Gregory McKinney, dintym@hotmail.com.

GOYA (13-to 18-year-olds) will have basketball practices on Tuesdays, October 11, and 25 (Girls 6:00 p.m. and Boys 7:30 p.m.) and following Liturgy on Sundays, October 9 and 30. They will participate in the Saint George, Bethesda (October 15-16) and Saint Sophia (October 22-23) tournaments.

Interfaith Orthodox Study – Any interfaith married couples (one orthodox and one non-orthodox) interested in participating in a study on interfaith families in the Orthodox Church, please contact Chris Vaccarello at cmv3d@virginia.edu or by phone at 703-307-0563.

Parish e-mail list – Please subscribe to our Church's e-mail list. Simply go to our newly redesigned web site at www.saint-katherines.org and click on Join our Email List at the top of the page. We will use this list to communicate more efficiently with you. You can send feedback to webmaster@stkchurch.com. We have more exciting things to come - check back often!

AHEPA Christmas Ornaments - The Peter N. Derzis AHEPA Chapter #438 is proud to announce the arrival of the Fourth Annual Community Christmas Ornament. These collectable ornaments have grown from popularity from year to year and this year's ornament is no exception! A stunning three-dimensional rendition of The Star of Bethlehem serves as the inspiration for our 2011 offering to the community – a perfect ornament for the Christmas season, depicting the divine light that served as a beacon to all mankind heralding the joy of the Nativity. They make excellent gifts and are the ideal stocking stuffer. Please place your order at jstoucker@verizon.net or 703-929-6110.

The SAFEWAY Program is looking for new members. Please look for our table at coffee hour after both services for details or call Elvira Garnette at (703) 425-3675. Thank you.

JOY Theater Trip to Ford's Theater for “A Christmas Carol” on Sunday, November 27 at 2:00 p.m. $65.00 per ticket for premium orchestra seating. Contact JOY Director, Tina Papamichael, at athena02@verizon.net or (703) 536-4711 to reserve your spot. Space is limited so please reserve early! Open to the entire Saint Katherine community.

Athenian Night at St. Katherine – November 12, 2011, 8:00 p.m. to midnight, Meletis Charuhas Hall. Tickets: Adults $40.00; children under 12 $25.00; $50.00 at the door (cash only); open seating/table reservations only; cash bar – beer/wine – mezedakia. Live entertainment by Ladi Sti Fotia. Featuring Sofia Tzini, George Koumiotis, DJ Liakos and Band. For tickets and information, contact: Anna Vassilopoulos (703) 671-1515 or Tina Moshos (703) 307-1906. Table reservations by October 30.

Clothing for the Homeless Shelter – We are continuing to collect clothing and toiletries for men and women at the Bailey’s Crossroads Homeless Shelter. Clothes may be new or used but must be clean. Toiletries should be unopened. There is a collection receptacle in the foyer of our community center. Please continue to be generous to those less fortunate.
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 – Ο Θεός, οπως δέχθηκες τα δώρα του Άβελ, τις θυσίες του Νώε και του Αβραάμ, το θυμίαμα του Ααρών και του Ζαχαρία, ας δέχθεις 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 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.