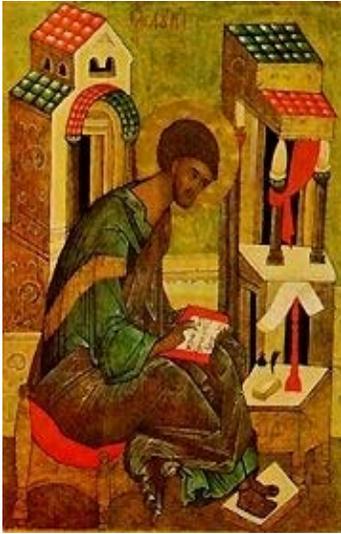


Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Sunday of the 7th
Ecumenical Council



St. Loukianos of Antioch
St. Savinos, Bishop of Catania

Apolytikion of the Day (2nd Tone)

When Thou didst descend unto death, O Life Immortal, then didst Thou slay Hades with the lightning of Thy Divinity. And when Thou didst also raise the dead out of the nethermost depths, all the powers in the Heavens cried out: O Life-giver, Christ our God, glory be to Thee.

Ότε κατήλθες προς τον θάνατον, η ζωή η αθάνατος, τότε τον Άδην ενέκρωσας, τη αστραπή της θεότητας. Ότε δε και τους τεθνεώτας, εκ των καταχθονίων ανέστησας, πάσαι αι δυνάμεις των επουρανίων εκραύγαζον: Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ο Θεός ημών, 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. Ότι εφίμωσε λαμπρώς, τους κομπούς των ασεβών, του Πνεύματον τη δυνάμει. Και νυν ως Μάρτυς στεφθείσα, αιτείται πάσι το μέγα έλεος.

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 τών Χριστιανών άκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία προς τον Ποιητήν άμετάθετε. Μή παρίδης άμαρτωλών δεήσεων φωνάς, αλλά πρόφθασον, ως αγαθή, εις την βοήθειαν ημών, τών πιστώς κραυγαζόντων σοι. Τάχυνον εις πρεσβείαν, και σπευσον εις ικεσίαν, η προστατεύουσα άεί, Θεοτόκε, τών τιμώντων σε.

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Epistle Reading

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous.

Blessed are they whose transgressions have been forgiven.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to Titus.

Titus 3:8-15 – Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

Gospel Reading

Luke 8:5-15 – The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

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.

GOYA – Help Support GOYA! GOYA Ad-Book sales in foyer. 10/21 – SAT – Service Saturday – Columbia Baptist. 10/22 – SUN – GOYA Bake sale after Liturgy! 10/22 – SUN – Youth Church Duty/GOYA Meeting.

YAL – 10/18 – WED – Faith Discussion at Saint Sophia; 10/21 – SAT – Service Saturday – Columbia Baptist.

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.

Culmore Clinic is located in Columbia Baptist Church, down the block from St. Katherine, 3245 Glen Carlyn Rd. It is an interfaith clinic treating all patients without regard to ability to pay. St. Katherine is a founding member of the Clinic. They had been open only on Thursdays, but have recently expanded to Tuesdays as well. Fr. Costas is on their Advisory Board and Dr. John Demakis is on their Executive committee. Upcoming events: **Open House** – Thursday, October 19, 7:30-8:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend. **Culmore Clinic Fundraiser** – Dine out at the Original Pancake House, 7395 Lee Hwy, Falls Church, VA 22042, Thursday, October 26, 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.. 15% of all proceeds go to Culmore Clinic. **Raffle Benefitting Kenya** – "When we have the opportunity to help anyone, we should do it" Galatians 6:10. A heartfelt thank you to all who contributed to/and participated in the raffle, especially the Sunday School and HEC. God bless you! Winners: Claudette Papathanasopoulos and Pam Wiggins.

Feed the Homeless – Our Mission and Outreach Committee will go to the Bailey's Crossroads shelter on Tuesday, October 17, 2017 to bring dinner to the residents at the shelter. We will meet at St. Katherine at 5:15 p.m. to load the food and proceed to the shelter. If you would like to join us please contact Dr. John Demakis at demakis9931@gmail.com.

Announcements

Memorial Services are offered this morning for **Anthony Katsakis**, husband of Mrs. Marlene Katsakis and father of Melinda, Michelle, Nicholas and Katerina; and for **Anthony L. Yianilos**, husband of Mrs. Diane Yianilos, and father of Jason and Christopher Yianilos and Andrea Walkup; and for **Nikolaos Harokopos**, husband of Mrs. Maria Harokopos and father of Ourania and Konstantinos. May their memory be eternal!

Coffee Hour is sponsored this morning by the Katsakis and Yianilos Families in memory of their loved ones.



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.

Philoptochos – 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. to 4:00 p.m. The Ladies Philoptochos, along with the Daughters of Penelope, are **collecting coats** every Sunday thru October, in the Meletis Charuhas Center. **Seniors Thanksgiving luncheon** will take place on November 9th.

Food Pantry – Today and October 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!

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.

Church Services

Sunday, October 22 **6th Sunday of Luke** – Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Thursday, October 26 **St. Demetrios the Myrrh-Streamer** – Orthros 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 29 **7th Sunday of Luke** – Orthros 9:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

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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.



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