

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2018

THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

NAZIRIOS & GERVASIOS; KOSMAS THE HAGIOPOLITE

EPISTLE READING: This morning's Apostolic reading is from St. Paul's letter to Titus, Chapter 3, Verses 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.

Ἐπίστολος, Πρὸς Τίτον Ἐπιστολῆς Παύλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 3, ἐδάφ. 8-15.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, Chapter 8, Verses 8-15. It is found in our books on pages 245-247.

Ἡ σημερινὴ εὐαγγελικὴ περικοπὴ ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Λουκᾶν, κεφ. 8, ἐδάφ. 8-15, εὐρίσκεται εἰς τὰ βιβλία μας, σελ. 244-246.

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN SPANISH: Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre, venga tu Reino, hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo; danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día; perdona nuestras deudas así como nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores; no nos dejes caer en la tentación, y líbranos del Mal.

INTRODUCTION TO ORTHODOXY: This class is especially intended for those who are thinking about converting to Orthodoxy and for family members and friends who would like to support them on their journey. It is also open to people who are already Orthodox and who would like to deepen their understanding of their faith. We explore Christian theology and practice by reading selections from Scripture, the Church Fathers, the lives of the Saints, and other texts representative of the Orthodox worldview. These readings are the starting point for our discussions, which aim at clarifying doctrine and worship and helping us to discover (or rediscover) why we belong in the Church. If you are interested in attending the class, please contact **Alexandros Kozák** at orthodoxy-agkozak@sneakemail.com. **Note:** The Introduction to Orthodoxy class is now being offered two Sundays a month. It meets in the second-floor conference room, beginning at 9 a.m. In October, the class will meet next on October 21.

TODAY'S MNEMOSYNON: Today's Memorial Services are being offered for the repose of the soul of our sister **Marika Papageorgiou**, who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago, and also the soul of our brother **Pete Bozionelos**, who fell asleep in the Lord 2 years ago. Aionia I Mnimi! Eternal Memory!

40 DAY BLESSING: Today we welcome 40 day old **Kassianos Augusto**, son of **Justin Kyriacou** and **Carla (Anastasia) Ayarza Kyriacou**. Na mas zisi! Long life!

PHILOTOCHOS GENERAL MEETING TODAY: The Cathedral Ladies Philoptochos will hold a General Meeting today, beginning at 12:30 p.m. Philoptochos' main purpose is to care for the poor. As such, it also is supportive of many programs, such as Community Kitchen, the Alzheimer's Support Group, and other ministries. If you are currently not a member, consider doing so. Please see **Janis Petrou**, our Philoptochos president, for additional information.

DANCE PRACTICE: Dance practice will take place today, at 12 noon, and also on Saturday, October 20, at 12 noon.

ELEMENTARY/ MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL: Practice will take place this Wednesday and Thursday, beginning at 7 pm.

FEAST OF ST. GERSIMOS: Saturday, October 20 marks the Feast Day of Saint Gerasimos, Patron Saint of His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos. Parishioners are invited to attend services, which will be celebrated at the Church of the Holy Cross, Belmont, beginning with Orthros, at 8:30 a.m., followed by the Divine Liturgy, at 10 a.m. A luncheon will follow, hosted by the Holy Cross community.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN THIS TUESDAY: This Tuesday, October 16, is the third Tuesday of the month. It is the day when Community Kitchen, our program to feed the needy and the homeless, takes place at the Cathedral. Hosted by our Young Adults, this month's Community Kitchen will also involve our Ladies Philoptochos. Set-up will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by service, at 6:30 p.m. After clean-up (approximately 8 pm), Young Adults gather in the conference room for wine and cheese, and discussion.

HOUSING FOR STUDENTS FROM GREECE: The US Embassy in Athens, in tandem with the Metropolis of San Francisco, is looking for housing for 9 nights, November 2-10, for 19 college-age students from Greece. The students will be visiting greater Bay Area tech companies. This is a great opportunity for host families to meet with some of the brightest students from Greece; among them are winners of a Challenge startup competition. Host families would provide housing only. No meals or transportation. If you are able to do so, please reply via the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/ipkL3eNwLfFEHJ23>

PARKING: Until our parking component is up and running (following final inspections and the engagement of a third-party operator, in accordance with the terms of our conditional use permit) the valet will park our cars. We simply drop off and pick up our cars at the entrance. We do not go down into the garage ourselves. For this service, we will pay \$5 per car, to cover the cost of the attendants. The Cathedral will no longer subsidize parking in the lot behind the Cathedral.

INTERESTED IN RUNNING FOR PARISH COUNCIL? Please see **Kathy Dermitzakis, Irene Poulakidas, or Anthony Ambus**, members of the Nominating Committee, who will place names in nomination at Parish Assembly on October 28. In order to become a candidate, you need to have been a Steward of the Cathedral for at least one year prior to declaring your candidate, and also attend a mandatory seminar. Elections will take place on December 16.

DON'T YOU JUST LOVE THE COURTYARD? We utilized the courtyard for the first time during this year's Festival. When everything was picked up, we noticed the grime all over the courtyard. However, the pavers were all cleaned immediately afterwards, in preparation for other outdoor events. We have a little way to go to wind down this phase of construction, before we begin work on the interior. (We mean the fountain, some columns, doors, etc.) This takes time, especially in this challenging building climate, but, let's be positive. Consider what you have accomplished so far. As with Moses, we hear God speaking to us: *"Build me a Sanctuary, and I will appear among you."* (from the Septuagint: *Και ποιήσεις μοι ἄγίασμα, καὶ ὀφθήσομαι ἐν ὑμῖν*). (Exodus 25:8). This takes vision; it also takes determination and faith. You are doing something extraordinary: you are building His sanctuary, a sacred space, right the heart of one of the world's premier cities. Here, the Orthodox Christian faith is poised to proclaim the Gospel message of salvation to a whole new generation of worshipers!



"The Church shall be a home for Orthodox Christians from every ethnic and national background. It shall be a house of prayer for all humankind, in which the Holy Name of our Triune God shall be extolled and all of creation sanctified."