

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2019

THE TRIODION BEGINS: SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE

THE GREAT MARTYR THEODORE THE RECRUIT; MARIAMNE EQUAL TO THE APOSTLES

EPISTLE READING: This morning's Apostolic reading is from St. Paul's second letter to Timothy, Chapter 3, Verses 10-15. It is found in our books on page 133.

Ὁ Ἀπόστολος, Πρὸς Τιμόθεον Δευτέρας Ἐπιστολῆς Παύλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 3, ἐδάφ. 10-15: Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, παρηκολούθηκάς μου τῆ διδασκαλίᾳ, τῆ ἀγωγῇ, τῆ προθέσει, τῆ πίστει, τῆ μακροθυμίᾳ, τῆ ἀγάπῃ, τῆ ὑπομονῇ, τοῖς διωγμοῖς, τοῖς παθήμασιν, οἷά μοι ἐγένετο ἐν Αντιοχείᾳ, ἐν Ἰκονίᾳ, ἐν Λύστροις, οἷους διωγμοὺς ὑπήνεγκα· καὶ ἐκ πάντων με ἐρρύσατο ὁ κύριος. Καὶ πάντες δὲ οἱ θέλοντες εὐσεβῶς ζῆν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ διωχθήσονται. Πονηροὶ δὲ ἄνθρωποι καὶ γόητες προκόψουσιν ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖρον, πλανῶντες καὶ πλανώμενοι. Σὺ δὲ μένε ἐν οἷς ἔμαθες καὶ ἐπιστάθης, εἰδὼς παρὰ τίνος ἔμαθες, καὶ ὅτι ἀπὸ βρέφους τὰ ἱερὰ γράμματα οἶδας, τὰ δυνάμενά σε σοφίσαι εἰς σωτηρίαν διὰ πίστεως τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, Chapter 18, Verses 10-14. It is found in our Books, on page 275.

Ἡ σημερινὴ εὐαγγελικὴ περικοπὴ, ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Λοθκᾶν Ἁγίου Εὐαγγελίου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 18, ἐδάφ. 10-14. Εὐρίσκεται εἰς τὰ βιβλία μας, σελ. 274.

Today's Apolytikion (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone Five (Plagal 1):

Eternal with the Father and the Spirit is the Word, who of a Virgin was begotten for our salvation. As the faithful, we both praise and worship Him for, in the flesh did He consent to ascend unto the Cross, and death did He endure, and the dead He raised unto life though His all-glorious Resurrection.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν· ὅτι ἠυδόκησε σαρκὶ ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

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. The class will meet next on Sunday, February 24, at 9 a.m.

TODAY'S MNEMOSYNON SERVICE: Today's memorial marks the 40-day service for our sister **Connie Panagotacos**, Past Philoptochos President, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and beloved friend of all. Her family invites you to join them in the fellowship hall following this morning's services for food and beverages in memory of Connie.

100th ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE BOOK: As announced, **Jim Loukas**, who heads the Greek Historical Society of the SF Bay Area, is heading this project. Jim was on hand two Sundays ago to answer your questions about the inclusion of your family in this keepsake publication. He will be around from time to time, for this purpose. Meanwhile, please refer to your *Herald* for periodic updates. Jim may be contacted at: jim@loukas.com.

DANCE PRACTICE: Dance practice is suspended this week, following FDF (the Folk Dance Festival and Choral Competition, which is currently underway in Ontario, CA). Dance practice will resume in August. The exact day and time will be announced in the Sunday bulletin and in the July *Herald*. Needless to say, young people enrolled in the program are expected to actively attend our Sunday School program. Classes meet every Sunday, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH BASKETBALL: Elementary and Middle School basketball practice will take place this week on Wednesday, February 20 and on Thursday, February 21, both at 7 p.m. Practice will take place in our Korinthias Gym. Meanwhile, **High School** basketball practice is beginning this Thursday, February 21. Boys grades 9 through 12 are invited to play. Practices will take place at Jefferson High School Gymnasium, which is located at 6996 Mission Street, Daly City. Since most of the boys participating live on the Peninsula, the Daly City location is more easily accessible. For further information about the high school basketball program, please contact coaches Tom Nuris at (650) 520-6963/ tomnuris@gmail.com or Nick Kontonis at (415) 706-1545/ nickkontonis@gmail.com.

PHILOPTOCHOS BOARD MEETING THIS THURSDAY: The Cathedral Philoptochos board will meet this Thursday, February 21, beginning at 11 a.m. The meeting will take place in the conference room.

CONCERT TO BENEFIT THE BUILDING FUND: On Saturday, March 23, beginning at 4 p.m., a concert of sacred and also folk music will be held in our chapel. Directed by **Tikey Zes**, the concert will feature singers from throughout the Bay Area and will feature music by **Theodore Bogdanos, Steve Cardiasmenos, Frank Desby** and **Tikey Zes**. Champagne reception to follow. Additional information, please see **Nick Tarlson** (nick@tarlson.com).

PARKING: Golden State Parking, the valet company, parks our cars on Sunday mornings. For this service, we've been paying \$5, essentially to cover the cost of the attendants. Meanwhile, we have signed a 6-month trial agreement with the valet company so that, as soon as it obtains the necessary permits, it can operate the parking weekdays, as well. We anticipate this service will begin soon.

SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH THROUGH STEWARDSHIP: Please make your Stewardship support for 2019 a priority. We thank you for your continued support. As members of the Annunciation Cathedral family, your participation is important. Your support makes possible the very existence of this parish, and its ability to offer Liturgical services, educational, & philanthropic programs. We will thank all 2019 Stewards in the March *Herald*.

WINDING DOWN: As you can see, we're winding down Phase 1 of construction. We have a little way to go, however, in order to complete the fountain, the gates along Valencia Street, the exterior doors, etc. This takes time, especially in this challenging building climate and, of course, money. In order to complete these tasks and begin working on Phase 2 (the interior), we will need to embark upon a renewed Capital Campaign. Let's stay positive and focused. 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**: *Καὶ ποιήσεις μοι ἁγίασμα, καὶ ὀφθήσομαι ἐν ὑμῖν*). (Exodus 25:8). Building also takes vision, 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 worshippers!



"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."