

**EPI EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY:** This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 6, verses 1-7. It is found in our books on page 83.

**Ὁ Απόστολος, Πράξεων τῶν Ἀποστόλων τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 6, ἐδάφ. 1-7:** Ἐν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκεῖναις, πληθυνόντων τῶν μαθητῶν, ἐγένετο γογγυσμὸς τῶν Ἑλληνιστῶν πρὸς τοὺς Ἑβραίους, ὅτι παρεθεωροῦντο ἐν τῇ διακονίᾳ τῇ καθημερινῇ αἱ χήραι αὐτῶν. Προσκαλεσάμενοι δὲ οἱ δώδεκα τὸ πλῆθος τῶν μαθητῶν, εἶπον, Οὐκ ἀρεστὸν ἐστὶν ἡμῶς, καταλείψαντας τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ, διακονεῖν τραπέζαις. Ἐπισκέψασθε οὖν, ἀδελφοί, ἄνδρας ἐξ ὑμῶν μαρτυρουμένους ἑπτά, πλήρεις πνεύματος ἁγίου καὶ σοφίας, οὓς καταστήσωμεν ἐπὶ τῆς χρείας ταύτης. Ἡμεῖς δὲ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ διακονίᾳ τοῦ λόγου προσκαρτερήσωμεν. Καὶ ἤρρεσεν ὁ λόγος ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ πλήθους· καὶ ἐξελέξαντο Στέφανον, ἄνδρα πλήρης πίστεως καὶ πνεύματος ἁγίου, καὶ Φίλιππον, καὶ Πρόχορον, καὶ Νικάνορα, καὶ Τιμόνα, καὶ Παρμενᾶν, καὶ Νικόλαον προσηλύτον Ἀντιοχέα, οὓς ἔστησαν ἐνώπιον τῶν ἀποστόλων· καὶ προσευξάμενοι ἐπέθηκαν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖρας. Καὶ ὁ λόγος τοῦ θεοῦ ἤξανε, καὶ ἐπληθύνετο ὁ ἀριθμὸς τῶν μαθητῶν ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ σφόδρα, πολὺς τε ὄχλος τῶν ἱερέων ὑπήκουον τῇ πίστει.

**GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY:** This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, Chapter 15, Verses 43-47, Chapter 16, Verses 1-8. It is found in our books on pages 169-171.

**Ἡ σημερινὴ εὐαγγελικὴ περικοπὴ ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Μάρκον, κεφ. 15, ἐδάφ. 43-47, κεφ. 16, ἐδάφ. 1-8, εὐρίσκεται εἰς τὰ βιβλία μας, σελ. 168-170.**

**Today's Apolytikion (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone Two:**

When You descended to the realm of death, You, as life immortal, rendered to Hades a mortal blow by Your all-radiant Divinity. And, when You, from infernal depths and the darkness below did raise the dead, all the hosts of heaven's powers did proclaim and cry out: O life-giving Christ and our God, we give glory [to You].

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἢ ἁθάνατος, τότε τὸν Ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς Θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεώτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, δόξα σοι.

**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](mailto: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 May 19.

**TODAY IS MOTHER'S DAY:** On this day, we honor all mothers, those still with us, and those who are reposed in the Lord. At the Cathedral, we especially honor two mothers, who were honored at yesterday's fabulous Mother's Day Luncheon and Fashion Show, sponsored by the Cathedral Ladies Philopothcos. These "Mothers of the Year" are **Katherine (Kathy) Dermitzakis and Joanne Glafkides**. We congratulate them, wish them long life and, as a token of our affection and esteem, will present them with bouquets of flowers at the conclusion of today's Divine Liturgy. Axies!

**CHURCH BASKETBALL PRACTICE:** Adult practice will take place this week on Thursday, April 16 in our Korinthias gym, beginning at 7 p.m. Meanwhile, **High School** practice takes place Thursdays at Jefferson High School Gymnasium, located at 6996 Mission Street, Daly City, also at 7 p.m.

**STEWARDSHIP:** We thank you for making your 2019 Stewardship support a priority. Your support makes possible the very existence of this parish, and its ability to offer Liturgical services, educational, & philanthropic programs. The bottom line is: If you believe in Jesus Christ, and the mission of the Church, and if you are not already a Steward, we invite you to become one. For more information about what it means to be a Steward and how you can be involved in the life of the parish, in addition to your financial support, please pick up a card and related material as you exit the chapel, to your right.

**100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE BOOK:** As part of our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, in 2021, a commemorative book will be published. A major part of the book will consist of photographs and history of the families and individuals, past and present, who make up the Cathedral parish. Jim Loukas is heading the book project. For further information about your participation and that of your family, please contact Jim Loukas, [jim@loukas.com](mailto:jim@loukas.com).

**GETTING READY TO LAUNCH OUR PAVER PROJECT:** It began as an idea. To invite parishioners and friends of the Cathedral to laser inscribe their names and/or the names of loved ones in one of the pavers in the courtyard and all around the new Cathedral. The idea was mentioned at the Parish Council. Then, a company was identified that does this, a company called Customize my Concrete. In turn, the idea was discussed by the Capital Campaign Committee, where it was adopted. Briefly, each of the pavers, measuring 2 feet by 2 feet, is available for "adoption." The particulars are being worked out. Committee meetings are taking place. A brochure is being developed, which contains more specific information. Information like: how much will we donate to adopt a paver, how many lines per paver? how many letters per line? may we have the names of loved ones inscribed, in addition to our own? will the company first let us see the layout before the names are etched into the pavers? where are these pavers located? in what direction will they face? Just to name a few. Meanwhile, everyone who's heard about the Paver Project is very excited. We can't wait to get started.

**DANCE FAMILY MEETING NEXT SUNDAY:** In preparation for resuming dance practice, a dance family meeting next Sunday, following the Divine Liturgy. The meeting will take place in the Kytherian Room.

**PARKING:** We have signed a 6-month trial agreement with Golden State Parking so that, as soon as it obtains the necessary permits, it can operate our parking component. All permits but one have been obtained. We anticipate the permit by the fire department will be obtained as soon as the fire sprinklers and the hydrant have become operational, hopefully this week. Meanwhile, we've signed a contract with Albert Electric, to finalize the electrical work, finish the lobbies and install the necessary doors. We will need to install the final gates in order to satisfy the "clear path of travel" requirements, which includes the final inspection of the elevator. We've decided to embark upon a renewed Capital Campaign. Our goal is to raise \$1 million in 2019. As we go forward, 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 ἅγίασμα, 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 great 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."*