

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the Acts of the

Apostles, Chapter 2, Verses 1-11: WHEN THE DAY of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

Ὁ Απόστολος, Πράξεων τῶν Ἀποστόλων τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 20 ἐδάφ. 1-11.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel

according to St. John, Chapter 7, Verses 37-52, Chapter 8, Verse 12: On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him. The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nikodemos, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Ἡ σημερινὴ εὐαγγελικὴ περικοπή ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ἰωάννην, κεφ. 7, ἐδάφ. 37-52, κεφ. 8, ἐδάφ. 12.

HYMN OF PENTECOST: Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ πανσόφους τοὺς ἀλιεῖς ἀναδείξας, καταπέμψας αὐτοῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Ἅγιον, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν τὴν οἰκουμένην σαγηνεύσας· φιλόανθρωπε, δόξα σοι.

Blessed are You, O Christ our God, who have filled the fishermen with wisdom by sending down the Holy Spirit upon them, and who through them have caught in your net the whole world, O lover of mankind, glory to You.

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.

LIGHT A VIRTUAL CANDLE Thank you for lighting a virtual candle every Sunday, thus keeping hope alive. Whether you donate \$1 or \$1,000, your gift is one of faith. It helps keeps the Cathedral solvent during this universal upheaval. More importantly, it connects us to Him who is the Light of the World (John 8:12) and reminds us of our calling to be the light of the world (Matthew 5:14). Keep on lighting your virtual candles! To do so, please visit our web site, www.annunciaton.org, and click on the appropriate link, or enter <https://annunciation.org/candle>

VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR: Now in its third week, our Virtual Coffee Hour is a big hit. Here, people connect with one another, renewing existing and forging new friendships. Thanks to Professor Nicholas Economides and his wife, Janine, for coordinating them. Professor Economides is an internationally recognized academic authority on network economics, electronic commerce and public policy. Janine, meanwhile, maintains a blog, offers a daily Biblical exegesis, and sings opera arias. They make their home in New York City and in San Francisco, where they are devoted members of the Cathedral. Won't you join them as they bring us together, following the Sunday Divine Liturgy, 12 noon to 2 pm Pacific Time, during this challenging, global pandemic. If you are a www.annunciation.org subscriber, you will receive instructions as to how to access the Sunday virtual coffee hour. To subscribe: <https://annunciation.org/news/join-our-email-list>

PRAY FOR HEALTH: In April 2020, an active member of our community, Johnny Eliopoulos, age 47, was diagnosed with a rare form of brain cancer, Gliomatosis Cerebri. Only 40 people a year are diagnosed with this rare form of cancer. We ask for your prayers and support at this time for Johnny, his wife Eileen, son Yiannis, and Stepsons Anthony and Aaron, in addition to his parents and extended family. Through this challenging time, we invite you to help the family with expenses, by contributing to them online through Paypal at ouzikee69@gmail.com or you can send donations to Johnny Eliopoulos 2480 Shannon Drive South San Francisco, CA 94080. We, and the family, thank you for your support, well wishes, and prayers.

REOPENING OF OUR CHURCH: In accordance with guidelines from our Metropolis, the reopening of Annunciation Cathedral is being considered for July 1. A Task Force, consisting of **S. Christopher Kyriacou, Christo Pappademos, John Lampros, Peter Cazanis, Dr. Christina Armatas, Vivian Curd, and Paul Sogotis**, has been formed toward this end. More information is forthcoming, and can be found in the June-July issue of the *Herald*. We are all eager to return to "normalcy," whatever this will look like in the foreseeable future. However, the safety of all of our fellow congregants is uppermost in our thoughts. Meanwhile, we invite you to participate via streaming

VOLUNTEERING/DONATING DURING THE PRESENT PANDEMIC: The San Francisco Food Bank, which supplies much of the food that we use to prepare meals for our Community Kitchen, has been especially hard hit by the pandemic. We invite you to visit the Food Bank's web site, <https://www.sfmfoodbank.org> or call the Food Bank at 415 282-1907 ext. 249, and offer to assist them in bagging and distributing groceries to the needy or by making a donation. You may also wish to make a donation to support the work of Raphael House. This is an Orthodox Christian shelter, located in the Tenderloin. One way you can help them during this crisis is through their Amazon wish list: https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/1s1XH4CGL2O4QBI/ref=smi_cl_wl_rd_cl?ref=smi_se_cl_rd_cl To make a donation for their Covid-19 Emergency Relief Fund: <https://www.raphaelhouse.org/emergency-fund/>

INTRODUCTION TO ORTHODOXY CLASSES: These very popular classes are taking place on a weekly basis, remotely, thanks to the dedicated efforts of Alex Kozak. If you are new to the parish or you are considering being received into the Church through baptism and/or chrismation, as an adult, we invite you to speak with Alex about your wishes and the possibility of joining the Introduction to Orthodoxy class. Please contact him at orthodoxy-agkozak@sneakemail.com.

EVERYTHING IS ON HOLD: The present pandemic has put everything building-related on hold but, now, things are beginning to move again. The granite which will clad the Valencia Street walls and the stone cap have been installed. The roofing issues are being addressed as we write this. The gate people are due to come out in two weeks to complete their work. As soon as we finish this and get our certificate of occupancy for the garage, we can open the garage to self-park. This is necessary if we are to open up the church, as the valet can guide us where to park, but can no longer park our cars for us. When the church opens up, we will be able, initially, to accommodate 40 congregants...As a community, we've been through much, especially when we lost everything to the earthquake, back in 1989. But, we've bounced back. It wasn't easy, but we did it, because we have faith, we have hope, and we have unity. So, too, we will weather this pandemic and return to what many are calling "the new normal," –i.e. a community where social distancing will become routine. But, our faith remains the same; our need for God remains the same. After all, it is for Him, in Him, and through Him that we continue to exist at all. Praise God for the Gift of His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we are given the faith and the vision to rebuild His Church.



"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."