

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2021

SYNAXIS OF THE THREE HIERARCHS: BASIL THE GREAT, GREGORY THE THEOLOGIAN, & JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

HIPPOLYTOS, POPE OF ROME

**EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY:** This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the **Saint Paul's Letter to the Hebrews, Chapter 31, Verses 7-16:** Brethren, remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God; consider the outcome of their lives, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings; for it is well that the heart be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited their adherents. We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. Therefore let us go forth to him outside the camp and bear the abuse he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city which is to come. Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

Ὁ Ἀπόστολος Πρὸς Πρὸς Ἑβραίους ἐπιστολῆς Παύλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 31 ἐδάφ. 7-16

**GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY:** This morning's Gospel Reading is from the **Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, Chapter 5 Verses 14-19:** The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

Ἡ σημερινὴ εὐαγγελικὴ περικοπὴ ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ματθαῖον, κεφ. 5, ἐδάφ. 14-19

**LITURGY FOR THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD INTO THE TEMPLE:** On Wednesday, February 2 at 10am we will celebrate Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Ὑπαπαντή. Father Stephen will be serving the Liturgy for the first time since his return. The parking garage will be open to park in until 10:30am at which time it will be closed for security. The chapel may only be accessed via the parking garage entrance, as the front door will remain locked for security reasons for the Millennium School. Please join us!

**BLESSING OF THE WATERS ON FEBRUARY 6:** Join everyone on **Sunday February 6, 2022** at [Aquatic Park Cove](#) from **12pm to 4pm** for a celebration of our community, culture, and heritage with "Blessing of the Waters SF Bay 2022", presented by the United Hellenic American Societies (UHAS). Blessing of the Waters "Agiasmos" Service begins at **1:30pm** and will be celebrated by His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos. Please go online for the flyer which has more information, if interested in joining the team of Swimmer Blessed Cross Retrievers, email [info@uhasca.org](mailto:info@uhasca.org) or call Taso Zografos at (415) 215-6113.

**PHILOPTOCHOS CRAB FEED:** One of our hallmark events at the Cathedral has always been our famous Crab Feed. Due to the pandemic however, we have been unable to enjoy this fan-favorite event in recent years. Fortunately, this year our Crab Feed is back! Our Ladies Philoptochos has been working hard and will be putting on the Crab Feed in a "Grab & Go" format over the weekend of, **February 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022**. Stay tuned for more information regarding prices and payment options.

**PARABLES AND PAREA:** We have begun a new program at the Cathedral called "Parables and Parea". Every month **Christo Pappademos** will host a virtual meeting with the youth of the parish to discuss parables from the Gospels and to allow our youth to enjoy fellowship with one another. The sessions will take place virtually for now, but as we continue we look forward to gathering our kids in person for future discussions and parea with their church friends as guidelines allow. For more information or if your children would be interested in attending these virtual sessions, please contact Christo at [Christo.pappademos@annunciation.org](mailto:Christo.pappademos@annunciation.org)

**TCO OBTAINED:** For the better part of two years, we have all been waiting and praying for our garage to finally be open for proper usage. Thanks to the hard work of our Construction Committee led by Chairman **Tasso Mavroudis** and our Construction Managers **Joel Josehart** and **Rob Bernstein**, we have obtained all the necessary signatures from the proper city authorities in order to receive our Temporary Certificate of Occupancy! This certificate allows for Golden State Parking, the company that used to run our valet services on Sundays, to operate and run our garage fulltime. This will result in much more convenient access to the garage on Sundays and particularly during the week. This is a tremendous step for our Cathedral and we and we applaud the work of our Construction Committee for seeing it through!



*“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.”*