

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 5, Verses 12-20: In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

Ὁ Ἀπόστολος Πρὸς Πράξεις Ἀποστόλων τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 5 ἐδάφ. 12-20.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John, Chapter 20, Verses 19-31: On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them: "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him: "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them: "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe." Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said: "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

Ἡ σημερινὴ εὐαγγελικὴ περικοπὴ ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ἰωάννην κεφ. 20 ἐδάφ. 19-31.

CHRISMATION TODAY: Today we welcome **James Woods** as he is to be Chrismated into the Orthodox Faith. His sponsors are **Leo and Ginnie Koulos**. We extend heartfelt congratulations to James, Leo and Ginnie, and the **Gumas family** as well on this joyous occasion. *Welcome James!*

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Today we will offer memorial prayers for the repose of the soul of **Father Antonios Papathanasiou**, 40 days since his passing. Αἰωνία ἡ μνήμη! *May his memory be eternal!*

BAPTISMS TODAY: Today following Divine Liturgy we welcome parents **Thapelo Ramathodi and Alexandra Hiropoulos** for the baptism of their daughter **Athena**. Today we also welcome parents **Antony Courtney and Eirini Courtney** for the baptism of their daughter **Cleo**. This is truly a joyous day in the church. Να σας ζήσουν τα παιδιά! *Long life to the children!*

MOTHER'S DAY/ WOMEN'S DAY: Please join your Annunciation Philoptochos next Sunday, May 8, as we host the coffee hour to celebrate all women of the community. In addition, at the end of Liturgy we will continue with the tradition of reading the names of the women who have played a formational role in our lives. Please send your list of names of the women you would like to honor by May 6th to either: Annunciation Philoptochos, 245 Valencia Street, San Francisco, CA 94103 or email irenemkyriacou@gmail.com

SPECIAL 100TH ANNIVERSARY ICON: An Icon of the Annunciation is being commissioned on the occasion of our Centennial Celebration. The icon depicts Agia Sophia in Constantinople, our Mother Church, as shown in the 1921 seal of the Cathedral, originally named St. Sophia. It also features the Golden Gate Bridge, representing San Francisco. A limited edition of 150 Icons will be produced. Each Icon will be numbered and dedicated to the person or family purchasing it. The price of the icon is \$1,250 and pre-orders are being accepted now. Please contact **Paul Sogotis** at paul.sogotis@annunciation.org for more details.

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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.”