

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from Saint Paul's **Second Letter to the Corinthians Chapter 9, Verse 6 – 11:** Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke Chapter 7, Verses 11-16: At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

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

The stone that had been sealed before your tomb by the Jews, and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred Body, O Savior, the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life. Whereby all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life. Glory unto our resurrected Christ, glory unto your Kingdom, glory to your Dispensation, O You who alone love mankind.

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντον σου Σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτὴρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι, Ζωοδότα· Δόξα τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου, Χριστέ· δόξα τῇ Βασιλείᾳ σου· δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε

CONDOLENCES: It is with great sorrow yet hope in the Resurrection that we announce the passing of **Angie Leventis**. Angie was a hallmark volunteer for many years and was widely considered to be the backbone of our parish community. We mourn her passing and extend our deepest condolences to her family. May God rest her soul and may her memory be eternal. Αἰωνία ἡ μνήμη!

UPCOMING PARISH ASSEMBLY: We will be holding our fall Parish Assembly meeting on Sunday, November 19th following Divine Liturgy. All members in good standing are invited to attend and listen to presentations and participate in discussions. We look forward to welcoming you.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: Our next Men's Fellowship gathering will take place on **Thursday, October 19**. The program begins with a brief prayer service in the chapel, followed by dinner and a spiritual discussion led by Metropolis Family Wellness Chair George Papageorge. The gatherings are open to all men ages 18 and up. If you would like to attend our next meeting please email Jim Rakos to RSVP at jim.rakos@annunciation.org

STEWARDSHIP: We invite you to prayerfully consider sharing the resources given to you by God by filling out our Stewardship card and pledge for 2023 today! Cards are available at the pangari and information wall. *"All things are possible to the one who believes in Christ."* Mark 9:23

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next board meeting will be on Sunday, October 22, 2023. All Philoptochos members are welcome to attend.

-Meet and Greet social gathering on Sunday, November 5, 2023 from 4pm-7pm at Unwine'd Lounge in West Portal. More details and cost to follow.

-Light the Path being held on Sunday November 19, 2023 at The Olympic Club in San Francisco

INTRODUCTION TO ORTHODOXY CLASSES: We provide classes over Zoom for people who are considering converting to Orthodox Christianity and for Orthodox people who want to refresh their knowledge of the faith. Please reach out to **Alex Kozak** at <https://agkozak.com/intro> to learn more.

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"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