

SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF PASCHA: SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN

NATHANAEL THE APOSTLE; THEODORE THE SYKEOTE

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 Ἀπόστολος, Πράξεων τῶν Ἀποστόλων τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 6, ἐδάφ. 1-7: Ἐν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκεῖναις, πληθύνοντων 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 ἡμᾶς, καταλείψαντας τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ, διακονεῖν τραπέζαις. Ἐπισκέψασθε οὖν, ἀδελφοί, ἄνδρας ἐξ ὑμῶν μαρτυρουμένους ἐπιτά, πλήρεις πνεύματος ἁγίου καὶ σοφίας, οὓς καταστήσωμεν ἐπὶ τῆς χρείας ταύτης. Ἡμεῖς δὲ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ διακονίᾳ τοῦ λόγου προσκατηρήσομεν. Καὶ ἤρρεσεν ὁ λόγος ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ πλῆθους· καὶ ἐξελέξαντο Στέφανον, ἄνδρα πλήρης πίστεως καὶ πνεύματος ἁγίου, καὶ Φίλιππον, καὶ Πρόχορον, καὶ Νικάνορα, καὶ Τίμωνα, καὶ Παρμενᾶν, καὶ Νικόλαον προσηλυτὸν Ἀντιοχείᾳ, οὓς ἔστησαν ἐνώπιον τῶν ἀποστόλων· καὶ προσευξάμενοι ἐπέθηκαν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖρας. Καὶ ὁ λόγος τοῦ θεοῦ ἤρξανεν, 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, εὕρσκεται 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 ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν Ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς Θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεώτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πάσαι 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: (*Sundays, 9 a.m., upstairs*). 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. **Note:** The Introduction to Orthodoxy class is now being offered two Sundays a month (rather than every Sunday). In April, the class will meet on Sunday, April 29. In May, the class will meet on May 6 and on May 13, all at 9 a.m. The class meets in the second-floor conference room.

TODAY'S MNEMOSYNA: This morning's memorial services are being offered for the repose of our sister **Mary Morris**, who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago, and for the repose of our sister **Helen Nicklas**, who fell asleep in the Lord 6 months ago. Αἰωνία ἡ μνήμη! Eternal Memory!

DANCE PRACTICE TODAY: Dance practice has resumed and will be held today, beginning at 12:30 p.m. New dancers are welcome.

MESSINIAN MEETING TODAY: The Navarino Messinian Society will meet today. The meeting will take place in the second-floor conference room, beginning at 12:30 p.m.

BAKSETBALL GAMES TODAY: This afternoon, the Annunciation Cathedral is host to the following Varsity basketball games:

2 pm	High School	Holy Cross & Annunciation
3 pm	Adult	St. Gregory 1 & Annunciation 2
4 pm	Adult	St. Gregory 2 & Annunciation 1

PARISH COUNCIL: The Parish Council scheduled to meet last Sunday, will, instead, meet next Sunday.

WAKE/DIVINE LITURGY/FUNERAL FOR TONY SELIANITIS: The Parish grieves at the loss of Tony Selianitis, who recently fell asleep in the Lord, at age 46, leaving behind a wife, five children, a newborn grandchild, and, along with his mother, several siblings. The wake will take place in the chapel today, beginning at 2 p.m., with a Trisagion at 7 p.m. The funeral will take place tomorrow, April 23, beginning at 11 a.m. Meanwhile, the Divine Liturgy, on the occasion of the Feast of St. George the Great Martyr, will be celebrated tomorrow morning, beginning at 10 a.m.

SOCKS DRIVE: We are having a socks drive all during the months of March and April. The socks will be given out to our guests who come to Community Kitchen. The most recent Community Kitchen took place this past Tuesday. The next Community Kitchen will take place on Tuesday, April 17. Won't you bring a packet of new socks, please, and leave it at the pangari. You will be helping keep someone's feet warm.

MOTHER'S DAY LUNCHEON & FASHION SHOW SATURDAY, MAY 12: The Annunciation Cathedral Ladies Philoptochos cordially invites you to attend its 59th Mother's Day Luncheon & Fashion Show, to be held in the Cathedral's Korinthias Hall Saturday, May 12, with cocktails at noon and luncheon at 12:30 p.m. The donation is \$60 for adults and \$25 for children. In addition to a fabulous fashion show, with the theme **When in Rome...**, the Philoptochos will honor two Mother's of the Year, namely **Vivian Curd** and **Kalliope Fousekis**. Axios! Reservation forms may be found at the pangari and also in the May Herald, which is being mailed out this week.

GOYA EVENT THIS SATURDAY: An afternoon at the Escape Room, San Mateo. To reserve, please e mail Matia Kostakis, matiak23@gmail.com

GETTING CLOSER AND CLOSER: YES! The laying of the pavers in the courtyard and all around the new Cathedral is nearing completion. The walls along Valencia Street have been built. Yes, they are getting tagged. When all is done, they will be capped in granite, the same as the façade of our ancillary facilities building. The sidewalk along Stevenson Street has been poured. Now, the Valencia Street sidewalk is being poured. One step closer to using our parking component. As announced, we've recently been awarded a conditional use permit, which will enable us to secure a third-party operator to run the parking. And how about our beautiful courtyard fountain? We note your eagerness to renew our financial support. If you have not yet contributed, we invite your participation. Your gift is fully tax deductible, to the extent allowed by law. More importantly, you will experience the joy of giving (and to such a historic undertaking!), helping make firm our presence as a Greek Orthodox house of worship in the *heart of our Great City*. In this way, we will be answering the call by God to Moses, when he said *"Build me a Sanctuary, and I will appear among you."* (from the Septuagint: *Καὶ ποιήσεις μοι ἁγίασμα, καὶ ὀφθήσομαι ἐν ὑμῖν*). (Exodus 25:8). When everything is completed, we will be able to consecrate the new Cathedral to the glory of God. Most likely, this will coincide with our 100th anniversary, in 2021.



"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."