SUNDAY, JULY 21, 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

THE RIGHTEOUS JOHN; SYMEON THE FOOL FOR CHRIST

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans, Chapter 10, Verses 1-10. It is found in our books on page 199.

Ό Ἀπόστολος, Πφὸς Ρωμαίους Ἐπιστολῆς Παύλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 10, ἐδάφ. 1-10: Ἀδελφοί, ἡ μὲν εὐδοκία τῆς ἐμῆς καφδίας καὶ ἡ δέησις ἡ πφὸς τὸν θεὸν ὑπὲφ τοῦ Ἰσφαήλ ἐστιν εἰς σωτηφίαν. Μαφτυφῶ γὰφ αὐτοῖς ὅτι ζῆλον θεοῦ ἔχουσιν, ἀλλ' οὐ κατ' ἐπίγνωσιν. Ἀγνοοῦντες γὰφ τὴν τοῦ θεοῦ δικαιοσύνην, καὶ τὴν ἰδίαν δικαιοσύνην ζητοῦντες στῆσαι, τῆ δικαιοσύνη τοῦ θεοῦ οὐχ ὑπετάγησαν. Τέλος γὰφ νόμου Χριστὸς εἰς δικαιοσύνην παντὶ τῷ πιστεύοντι. Μωϋσῆς γὰφ γφάφει τὴν δικαιοσύνην τὴν ἐκ τοῦ νόμου, ὅτι ὁ ποιήσας αὐτὰ ἄνθφωπος ζήσεται ἐν αὐτοῖς. Ἡ δὲ ἐκ πίστεως δικαιοσύνη οὕτως λέγει, Μὴ εἴπῃς ἐν τῆ καφδία σου, Τίς ἀναβήσεται εἰς τὸν οὐφανόν; - τοῦτ' ἔστιν Χριστὸν καταγαγεῖν - ἤ, Τίς καταβήσεται εἰς τὴν ἄβυσσον; - τοῦτ' ἔστιν Χριστὸν ἐκ νεκφῶν ἀναγαγεῖν. Ἀλλὰ τί λέγει; Ἐγγύς σου τὸ ġῆμά ἐστιν, ἐν τῷ στόματί σου καὶ ἐν τῆ καφδία σου· τοῦτ' ἔστιν τὸ ģῆμα τῆς πίστεως ὃ κηφύσσομεν· ὅτι ἐὰν ὁμολογήσῃς ἐν τῷ στόματί σου κάψον Ἰησοῦν, καὶ πιστεύσης ἐν τῆ καφδία σου ὅτι ὁ θεὸς αὐτὸν ἦγειφεν ἐκ νεκφῶν, σωθήσῃ· καφδία γὰφ πιστεύεται εἰς δικαιοσύνην, στόματι δὲ ὁμολογεῖται εἰς σωτηρίαν.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, Chapter 8, Verse 28 – 34, Chapter 9, Verse 1. It is found in our books on Pages 205-207.

Ή σημεφινή εὐαγγελική πεφικοπή ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ματθαῖον, κεφ. 8, ἐδάφ. 28-34, κεφ. 9, ἐδάφ. 1. Εὑφίσκεται εἰς τὰ βιβλία μας, σελ. 204-206.

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

When the tidings of the Resurrection from the glorious angel was proclaimed unto the women disciples, and our ancestral sentence also had been abolished, to the Apostles with boasting did they proclaim that death is vanquished evermore, and Christ our God has risen from the dead, and granted to the world His great mercy.

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς Ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου μαθήτριαι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

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.

WELCOME, FATHER STEPHEN SCOTT: Father Stephen Scott, Abbott of the Monastery of the Holy Cross, Castro Valley, is well known to our community. We welcome him and thank him for celebrating this morning's Divine Liturgy.

SUNDAY SCHOOL/GREEK SCHOOL: Sunday School is out for the summer. It will resume Sunday, September 29 (one week after our Festival). Meanwhile, Greek School is also out for the summer. It resumes Saturday, September 7. An adult Greek class will be added this year.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TODAY: The Parish Council will meet today, beginning at 12:30 pm. The meeting will take place in the conference room.

STEWARDSHIP: Thank you for making your 2019 Stewardship support a priority. Your support makes possible the very existence of this parish, and its ability to offer Liturgical services, educational, & philanthropic programs. The bottom line is: If you believe in Jesus Christ, and the mission of the Church, and if you are not already a Steward, we invite you to become one. For more information about what it means to be a Steward and how you can be involved in the life of the parish, in addition to your financial support, please pick up a card and related material as you exit the chapel, to your right.

100th ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE BOOK: As part of ou4 100th anniversary, in 2021, a commemorative book will be published. A major part of the book will consist of photographs and history of the families and individuals, past and present, who make up the Cathedral parish. Jim Loukas is heading the book project. For further information about your participation and that of your family, please contact Jim Loukas, jim@loukas.com.

INTRODUCTION TO ORTHODOXY: 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. It meets in the second-floor conference room, beginning at 9 a.m. The class will meet next on September 15 and September 29. Introduction to Orthodoxy Students, meanwhile, are welcome to attend Orthros and participate in the readings.

PARKING: We have signed a 6-month trial agreement with Golden State Parking so that, as soon as it obtains the necessary permits, it can operate our parking component. All permits but one have been obtained. We anticipate the permit by the fire department will be obtained as soon as the fire sprinklers and the hydrant have become operational, hopefully this week. Meanwhile, we've signed a contract with Albert Electric, to finalize the electrical work, finish the lobbies and install the necessary doors. We will need to install the final gates in order to satisfy the "clear path of travel" requirements, which includes the final inspection of the elevator. We've decided to embark upon a renewed Capital Campaign. Our goal is to raise \$1 million in 2019. As we go forward, let's stay positive and focused. Consider what you have accomplished so far! As with Moses, we hear God speaking to us: "Build me a Sanctuary, and I will appear among you." (from the Septuagint: Καὶ ποιήσεις μοι άγίασμα, καὶ ὀφθήσομαι ἐν ὑμῖν). (Exodus 25:8). Building also takes vision, determination and faith. You are doing something extraordinary: you are building His sanctuary, a great sacred space, right the heart of one of the world's premier cities. Here, the Orthodox Christian faith is poised to proclaim the Gospel message of salvation to a whole new generation of worshipers!



"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."