## SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2019

## 7™ SUNDAY OF MATTHEW THE 7 YOUTHS OF EPHESUS

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans, Chapter 15, Verses 1-7. It is found in our books on page 101.

Ό Ἀπόστολος, Ποὸς Ρωμαίους Ἐπιστολῆς Παύλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 15, ἐδάφ. 1-7: Αδελφοί, ὀφείλομεν δὲ ἡμεῖς οἱ δυνατοὶ τὰ ἀσθενήματα τῶν ἀδυνάτων βαστάζειν, καὶ μὴ ἑαυτοῖς ἀρέσκειν. Ἔκαστος ἡμῶν τῷ πλησίον ἀρεσκέτω εἰς τὸ ἀγαθὸν πρὸς οἰκοδομήν. Καὶ γὰρ ὁ Χριστὸς οὐχ ἑαυτῷ ἡρεσεν, ἀλλά, καθὼς γέγραπται, Οἱ ὀνειδισμοὶ τῶν ὀνειδιζόντων σε ἐπέπεσον ἐπ' ἐμέ. Ὅσα γὰρ προεγράφη, εἰς τὴν ἡμετέραν διδασκαλίαν προεγράφη, ἵνα διὰ τῆς ὑπομονῆς καὶ διὰ τῆς παρακλήσεως τῶν γραφῶν τὴν ἐλπίδα ἔχωμεν. Ὁ δὲ θεὸς τῆς ὑπομονῆς καὶ τῆς παρακλήσεως δώη ὑμῖν τὸ αὐτὸ φρονεῖν ἐν ἀλλήλοις κατὰ Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν· ἵνα ὁμοθυμαδὸν ἐν ἑνὶ στόματι δοξάζητε τὸν θεὸν καὶ πατέρα τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ. Διὸ προσλαμβάνεσθε ἀλλήλους, καθὼς καὶ ὁ Χριστὸς προσελάβετο ὑμᾶς, εἰς δόξαν θεοῦ.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, Chapter 9, Verses 27-35. It is found in our books on Pages 209-211.

Ή σημερινή εὐαγγελική περικοπή ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ματθαῖον, κεφ. 9, ἐδάφ. 27-35. Εὑρίσκεται εἰς τὰ βιβλία μας, σελ. 209-211.

## Today's Apolytikion (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone Six (Plagal 2):

When the angelic powers appeared at your tomb, those who guarded You became as though dead. And, standing by your sepulcher was Mary, seeking your pure and sacred body. You did vanquish Hades and, uncorrupted by its touch, You came unto the Virgin bestowing the gift of life. From the dead You arose, O Lord: we give glory to You.

Άγγελικαὶ δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνῆμά σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκοώθησαν, καὶ ἵστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφω, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἅδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ`: ὑπήντησας τῆ Παρθένω, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωήν. Ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε, 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.

Η Παράκλησις θα ψαλλεῖ τη Τετάρτη 7 Αυγούστου, τη Παρασκευή 9 Αυγούστου και τη Δευτέρα 12 Αυγούστου, στις 7 μ.μ. Τη Τρίτη 6 Αυγούστου (της Μεταμορφώσεως), ο Όρθρος θα τελεσθεῖ στις 9 π.μ., η δε Θεία Λειτουργία θα αρχίσει στις 10 π.μ.

**TODAY'S** *MNEMOSYNON:* This morning's Memorial Service is being offered for the repose of the soul of our sister **Anastasia Karas**, who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. *Aionia I Mnimi!* Eternal Memory!

**TODAY'S CHRISMATION: Robert (Bobby) Joseph Romaglino** is being received into the Orthodox Church during today's Divine Liturgy. His sponsors are **Vicki Mavroudis** and **Tasso Mavroudis**. *Na Mas Zisi!* 

**SPECIAL AUGUST SERVICES:** As we prepare for the Feast of the Dormition on August 15, the service of *Paraklesis* will be offered Wednesday, August 7, Friday, August 9 and Monday, August 12, beginning at 7 pm. This Tuesday is the Feast of the Transfiguration. Orthros at 9 am, followed by the Divine Liturgy, at 10 am.

**FESTIVAL COOKING:** Koulourakia will be prepared and baked this Tuesday morning, following the Divine Liturgy.

**DEMENTIA SUPPORT:** The group will meet this Tuesday, in the conference room, beginning at 11 am

**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.

**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.

**100**<sup>th</sup> **ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE BOOK:** As part of ou4 100<sup>th</sup> 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, <u>jim@loukas.com</u>.

**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 όφθήσομαι 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."