## SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2022

## SUNDAY OF ST MARY OF EGYPT

**EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the Saint Paul's Letter to the Hebrews, Chapter 9, Verses 11-14:** BRETHREN, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Ο Απόστολος Προς Έβραίους έπιστολης Παύλου το ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 9 ἐδάφ. 11-14.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, Chapter 10, Verses 32-45: At that time, Jesus took his twelve disciples, and he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Ή σημεφινή εὐαγγελική πεφικοπή ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Μᾶφκον κεφ. 10 ἐδάφ. 32-45.

**MEMORIAL SERVICES:** Today's memorial services are being offered for the repose of the souls of **Vasilea Papapsomas**, 1 year since her passing, and **Theodore (Ted) Lampros**, 24 years since his passing. May their memories be eternal! Αιωνία η μνήμη!

**COFFEE HOUR TODAY:** Today's coffee hour is being sponsored **by John and Magda Lampros and Soso Dekaristos** in memory of their loved ones. We invite you to enjoy refreshments following Divine Liturgy today and we thank Jon, Magda, and Soso for sponsoring.

PHILOPTOCHOS EASTER BAKE 2022: With Easter just around the corner the Ladies Philoptochos will be busy baking Tsoureki and Koulourakia for our Annual Easter Bake. Don't miss out on placing your order by **April 15<sup>th</sup>** for your Easter Celebration. Please visit <u>www.annunciation.org</u> for detailed information, an order form or to order online. You may also order by contacting Sophia Makras at 650-784-1775

**PALM CROSS FOLDING:** Youth of all ages are invited Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 11am to come learn how to fold palm crosses for Palm Sunday! This is a wonderful tradition and helps the church tremendously in preparing crosses to be blessed and distributed to parishioners. Please join us and bring the whole family!

**HOLY FRIDAY RETREAT/T.G.I. PASCHA:** We are happy to finally be able to offer an inperson youth retreat at the Cathedral for our kids. On Holy Friday, April 22 we will be hosting a retreat for our middle school and grade school age kids. The day will begin at 11am with a discussion, followed by a Lenten meal at 12 noon, and will conclude with the kids attending the service of the Descent from the Cross at 1pm. If your child is interested please contact **Christo** at <u>Christo.pappademos@annunciation.org</u>

**SPECIAL 100<sup>TH</sup> 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.

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."