SIXTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

GREAT MARTYR CHRISTINA

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans, Chapter 12, Verses 6-14: Brethren, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

Ό Απόστολος Πρὸς Ῥωμαίους κεφ. 12 ἐδάφ. 6-14.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew Chapter 9, Verses 1-8: At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say 'Rise and walk?' But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" he then said to the paralytic -- "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

Ή σημερινή εὐαγγελική περικοπή ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ματθαῖον κεφ. 9 ἐδάφ. 1-8

WELCOME TO HIS GRACE BISHOP IOANNIS: Today we welcome and thank His Grace Bishop Ioannis of Phocea, the Chancellor of the Metropolis of San Francisco as well as our Cathedral *locum tenens* for serving the Divine Liturgy today.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING TODAY: Today the Parish Council will welcome **His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos** as well as **His Grace Bishop Ioannis** to discuss the current affairs of the Cathedral.

COMMEMORATIVE ALBUM: We would love for you, your families and businesses to be included in the 2022 special Commemorative Album, "Celebrating 101 Years! Our Legacy continues...." The new contract is at the printers and will be sent out via email and post. Please contact Irene or Presvytera at: Adbook@Annunciation.org for more information. Thank you for your continued support! Warmest Regards, Presvytera Aliki Kyriacou and Irene Kyriacou, Co-Chairs.

COOKING DATES: Come learn how to cook traditional Greek favorites and help us prepare for our festival: Moussaka/Pastitsio cooking Aug 6, 11am & Aug 7, after Liturgy. Tiropita/Spanakopita cooing Sept 3, 11am, & Sept 4, after Liturgy.

CHOIR ON SUMMER RECESS: We have enjoyed the long-awaited return of our choir as they've beautifully sung the hymns of the Divine Liturgy for the past several months. However, our choir will now observe a two month recess until the end of August as many choir members are traveling for vacations etc. We look forward to welcoming them back at the end of summer.

THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL: San Francisco's Only Greek Food Festival is back and in person in 2022! Mark your calendars for **September 17th and 18th** for our annual festival at the Annunciation Cathedral. Our cooking schedule will be released soon on social media and we're looking for new volunteers to come help cook this summer. If you would like to volunteer for any aspect of the festival, please contact festival@annunciation.org as soon as possible. We can't wait to see everyone in September!

INTRODUCTION TO ORTHODOXY CLASSES: We provide classes over Zoom for people who are considering converting to Orthodox Christianity or who are just interested in learning more about it. Please reach out to Alex Kozak at https://agkozak.com/intro to learn more.

IOIN OUR GREEK SCHOOL: Greek School enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year is open!!

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