13TH SUNDAY OF LUKE IAKOVOS OF PERSIA

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from Saint Paul Letter to the Ephesians Chapter 2, Verse 14 – 22: Brethren, Christ is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, by abolishing in his flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Ό Απόστολος Πρὸς Ἐφεσίους κεφ. 2 ἐδάφ. 14 – 22

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke Chapter 18, Verses 18-27: At that time, a ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.' " And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

Ή σημερινή εὐαγγελική περικοπή ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Λουκᾶν κεφ. 18 ἐδάφ. 18-27

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Today's memorial service is being offered for the repose of the soul of **Vasilios Karanika**, 30 years since his passing, and **Anthoula Karanika**, 23 years since her passing. In honor of her parents, Victoria and Angelo Koutoulas invite you to join today's lunch. May their memory be eternal! Αίωνία η μνήμη!

NEXT ELPIDA DAY: Our next installment of Elpida will take place **on Sunday December 18**th. If your child or children are interested in joining our exciting new youth program, please contact Director **Mia Fanourgiakis** at mia.fanourgiakis@annunciation.org. We have classes for all ages!

PHILOPTOCHOS COLLECTING DONATIONS: Our Ladies Philoptochos Society is collecting donations for the Hurricane Ian Relief Fund set up by the National Philoptochos. Please contact President Janis Petrou for information on how to support this worthy cause.

INTRODUCTION TO ORTHODOXY CLASSES: We provide classes over Zoom for people who are considering converting to Orthodox Christianity and for Orthodox people who want to refresh their knowledge of the faith. Please reach out to Alex Kozak at https://agkozak.com/intro to learn more.

PAVER PROJECT UPDATE: It is time to get more pavers inscribed in our courtyard! Join our "Adopt a Paver" program. To learn more, pick up a brochure at the *pangari*, call **Jim Vorrises**, Chair, at 650-464-1616 or email at <u>jim.vorrises@annunciation.org</u>

PARISH COUNCIL SEMINAR: On Wednesday, December 7th at 6:30pm we will be having a mandatory in-person Parish Council Seminar in the conference room of the Cathedral. This seminar is for all new and returning Parish Council members and will be led by His Grace Bishop Ioannis.



"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."