## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023

CHEESEFARE SUNDAY PORPHYRIOS OF GAZA

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Romans Chapter 13 Verse 11 – Chapter 14 Verse 4: Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

Ό Απόστολος Πρὸς Ῥωμαίους α' κεφ. 8 ἐδάφ. 8 - κεφ. 9 ἐδάφ. 2

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew Chapter 6, Verses 14-21: Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

Ή σημερινή εὐαγγελική περικοπή ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ματθαῖον κεφ. 6 ἐδάφ. 14-21

**MEMORIAL SERVICE:** Today's memorial service is being offered for the repose of the soul of **Demetrios Dimitrious**, 2 years since his passing. May his memory be eternal! Αίωνία η  $\mu\nu\eta\mu\eta$ !

**40 DAY BLESSING**: Today we welcome **George and Jaime Haras** for the 40 day blessing of their baby **Kalliope Iliana Haras**. Long life to the child! Nα ζήσει το  $\pi\alpha$ ιδί!

FDF CONGRATULATIONS: The Cathedral extends a heartfelt *Congratulations!* to all of our dancers, directors, and parents for a tremendously successful FDF weekend! Each of our competing groups placed with medals, and the weekend was capped off with a Sweepstakes win for our oldest group, Spithes! It was a historic weekend for the Cathedral and we could not be more proud of all of our kids.  $M\pi \rho \acute{\alpha}\beta o \pi \alpha \iota \delta \iota \acute{\alpha}!$ 

ELPIDA GRADE SCHOOL LENTEN RETREAT: On Saturday March 4<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a wonderful retreat for all grade school children in the Bay Area! This will be a joyful day where kids can learn about the faith and make new friends from many different churches around the Bay Area. If your child or children are interested in attending, please contact Elpida Director Mia Fanourgiakis at mia.fanourgiakis@annunciation.org

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP SAVE THE DATE:** Annunciation Cathedral will be hosting its second Men's Fellowship meeting on Thursday March 23rd. The event will be begin with cocktails at 7:00, followed by dinner and a discussion.

**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 <a href="https://agkozak.com/intro">https://agkozak.com/intro</a> to learn more.

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"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."