

## EPISTLE AND GOSPEL READINGS

### EPISTLE READING:

#### Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4.

#### Psalm 75.11,1

**Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.**

**Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.**

**The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1**

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

**Προκείμενον. Ἦχος πλ. δ'.**

**ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 75.11,1**

**Εὐξασθε καὶ ἀπόδοτε Κυρίῳ τῷ Θεῷ ἡμῶν.**

**Στίχ. Γνωστὸς ἐν τῇ Ἰουδαίᾳ ὁ Θεός, ἐν τῷ Ἰσραὴλ μέγα τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ.**

**Πρὸς Κορινθίους β' 6:16-18, 7:1 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα εἶναι ἀπο**

Ἀδελφοί, ὑμεῖς ἐστε ναὸς Θεοῦ ζώντος, καθὼς εἶπεν ὁ θεός ὅτι Ἐνοικήσω ἐν αὐτοῖς, καὶ ἐμπεριπατήσω· καὶ ἔσομαι αὐτῶν θεός, καὶ αὐτοὶ ἔσονται μοι λαός. Διὸ, Ἐξέλθετε ἐκ μέσου αὐτῶν καὶ ἀφορίσθητε, λέγει κύριος, καὶ ἀκαθάρτου μὴ ἄπτεσθε· καγὼ εἰσδέξομαι ὑμᾶς, καὶ ἔσομαι ὑμῖν εἰς πατέρα, καὶ ὑμεῖς ἔσεσθέ μοι εἰς υἱὸς καὶ θυγατέρας, λέγει κύριος παντοκράτωρ. Ταύτας οὖν ἔχοντες τὰς ἐπαγγελίας, ἀγαπητοί, καθαρῶς ἐαυτοὺς ἀπὸ παντὸς μολυσμοῦ σαρκὸς καὶ πνεύματος, ἐπιτελοῦντες ἀγιωσύνην ἐν φόβῳ Θεοῦ.

### GOSPEL READING:

#### The Gospel According to Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."  
**Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 6:31-36**  
**Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα**

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· καθὼς θέλετε ἵνα ποιῶσιν ὑμῖν οἱ ἄνθρωποι, ποιεῖτε αὐτοῖς ὁμοίως. καὶ εἰ ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας αὐτοὺς ἀγαπῶσι. καὶ ἐὰν ἀγαθοποιῆτε τοὺς ἀγαθοποιῶντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τὸ αὐτὸ ποιοῦσι. καὶ ἐὰν δανείζητε παρ' ὧν ἐλπίζετε ἀπολαβεῖν, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ ἁμαρτωλοὶ ἁμαρτωλοῖς δανείζουσιν ἵνα ἀπολάβωσι τὰ ἴσα. πλὴν ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἐχθροὺς ὑμῶν καὶ ἀγαθοποιεῖτε καὶ δανείζετε μηδὲν ἀπελπίζοντες, καὶ ἔσται ὁ μισθὸς ὑμῶν πολὺς, καὶ ἔσεσθε υἱοὶ ὑψίστου, ὅτι αὐτὸς χρηστός ἐστιν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀχαρίστους καὶ πονηροὺς. Γίνεσθε οὖν οἰκτίρμονες, καθὼς καὶ ὁ πατὴρ ὑμῶν οἰκτίρμων ἐστί.

### SAINTS AND FEASTS:

#### On this day we commemorate:

- **2nd Sunday of Luke**
- **The Holy Protection of the Theotokos**
- **Ananias, Apostle of the 70**
- **Romanos the Melodist**

#### Readings:

#### The Holy Protection of the Theotokos

The Feast of the Protection commemorates the appearance of the most holy Theotokos in the Church of Blachernae in Constantinople in the early sixth century, as recorded in the life of Saint Andrew the Fool for Christ's sake. While the multitudes of the faithful were gathered in church, Epiphanius, the friend of Saint Andrew, through the Saint's prayers, beheld the Virgin Mary above the faithful

and spreading out her veil over them, signifying her unceasing protection of all Christians. Because of this we keep a yearly feast of gratitude, imploring our Lady never to cease sheltering us in her mighty prayers.

#### Ananias, Apostle of the 70

Saint Ananias, whose name means "God is gracious," was from Damascus, where by divine revelation he was commanded to baptize the Apostle Paul (Acts 9: 10-17). He completed the course of martyrdom when he was stoned to death during the proconsulate of Lucian.

#### Romanos the Melodist

Saint Romanos flourished during the reign of Anastasius (491-518). He was from Emesa of Syria, and apparently was born of Jewish parents, for a hymn written in his honour in Greek says he was "of Hebrew stock," and it has furthermore been noted that he uses many Semitic idioms in his writings. He was baptized an Orthodox Christian, and at some time became a deacon in the Church of Beirut. He was the first composer of the kontakia, the foremost of which is that of the feast of Christ's Nativity, On this day the Virgin .... In composing many of his kontakia, Saint Romanos was inspired by the hymns of Saint Ephraim of Syria.



## “Second Sunday of Luke”

Sunday, October 1, 2017  
8:30am - Orthros  
9:30am - Divine Liturgy

Parish Council Assignment Team #3- Demetrios,  
Eric, Tom, Marina

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service this morning is for the 40 day memorial of Natalie Lapiers, beloved mother of Tamara Lapiers.  
May her memory be eternal!

### TASTE OF GREECE

In lieu of Fellowship Hour this morning, all parishioners and visitors are welcomed to attend our “Taste of Greece”. Enjoy the cuisine, culture and hospitality of our Greek Culture and Faith.

### INQUIRER’S CLASS

Inquirer’s Class- Tuesday, 6:00- 7:10pm.  
Location: School Building.

### BIBLE STUDY AND YAL

Tuesday, 7:10pm Topic: I John 4. Location:  
School Building.

### JOY-HOPE

The JOY-HOPE will take place this Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:15-5:45pm. This program is geared for all youth from 7-12 years of age. Fr. Phil will provide instruction in the Orthodox Faith. A complimentary dinner will be served and parental supervision will be provided.

### YOUTH CHOIR

The Church Youth Choir began in September. If you are interested and would like more information please contact:  
Alexandra.af@cox.net

### VOLUNTEERS TO SPONSOR

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR** Would you like to sponsor a fellowship hour? Please contact the church office at 480 899-3330.

### GREEK SCHOOL

During the academic year 2017-2018, St. Katherine Church will offer a series of Greek Language classes for children ages 4.5 - 5 (by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017). The classes will be held on Fridays, from 6 to 7pm inside the school building. Tuition is \$38 per month. Classes begin on Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. A brochure with more information is available at the Church narthex.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

*September 29<sup>th</sup> - Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>: A Taste of Greece Festival*

*November 11<sup>th</sup>: St. Katherine 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration*

### PLEASE NOTE...

It costs \$100 dollars per week per family to operate Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church. Please prayerfully consider your stewardship. As we all know, we always experience a shortfall during the summer months. The expense continues, even though we have placed a careful watch on spending. We certainly appreciate all those who give of their time, talent & tithings. Thank you for your love and commitment to Saint Katherine!

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9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Lunch: 12:00 – 1:00p.m.

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## APOLYTIKION AND KONTAKION HYMNS

### Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal of the Fourth Tone

From on high You descended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bandage of sin, O our life and resurrection. Glory to You, O Lord.

### Apolytikion for the Holy Apostle Ananias

O holy Apostle Ananias, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses.

### Apolytikion for the Holy Skepi of the Theotokos

O Virgin, we extol the great grace of thy Protection, which thou didst spread out like a bright cloud beyond all understanding; for thou dost invisibly protect thy people from the foe's every assault. Since we have thee as our shelter and certain help, we cry to thee with our whole soul: Glory to thy great deeds, O most pure Maid. Glory to thy shelter most divine. Glory to thy care and providence for us, O spotless one.

### Apolytikion of St. Katherine

Let us sing the praise of the Bride of Christ renown, the Patroness of Sinai, Katherine Divine. Our assistance and protection, for she has brilliantly subdued, the impious refine, by the power of the Spirit. She was crowned as a martyr of the Lord, and for all, she entreats the great mercy.

### Kontakion –“Protection of All Christians”

O Protection of Christians unshamable, mediation with the Creator immovable, we sinners beg you, do not despise the voices of our prayers, but anticipate, since you are good, and swiftly come unto our aid as we cry out to you with faith: Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who defend now and ever those who honor you

Welcome to all our visitors worshipping with us today!

We're glad you're here! Please join us at our “Taste of Greece” festival immediately following the Divine Liturgy to meet fellow parishioners and learn more about the community.