

## EPISTLE AND GOSPEL READINGS

### EPISTLE READING:

#### Prokeimenon. Mode 1.

#### Psalm 32.22,1

Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

**Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.**

#### The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:8-19

Brethren, walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

### Προκείμενον. Ἦχος α'.

#### ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 32.22,1

Γένοιτο, Κύριε, τὸ ἔλεός σου ἐφ' ἡμᾶς.  
Στίχ. Ἀγαλλιᾶσθε δίκαιοι ἐν Κυρίῳ

#### Πρὸς Ἐφεσίους 5:8-19 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα εἶναι ἀπο

Ἀδελφοί, ὡς τέκνα φωτὸς περιπατεῖτε - ὁ γὰρ καρπὸς τοῦ πνεύματος ἐν πάσῃ ἀγαθωσύνη καὶ δικαιοσύνη καὶ ἀληθείᾳ - δοκιμάζοντες τί ἐστὶν εὐάρεστον τῷ κυρίῳ· καὶ μὴ συγκοινωνεῖτε τοῖς ἔργοις τοῖς ἀκάρποις τοῦ σκότους, μᾶλλον δὲ καὶ ἐλέγχετε· τὰ γὰρ κρυφῆ γινόμενα ὑπ' αὐτῶν αἰσχρὸν ἐστὶν καὶ λέγειν. Τὰ δὲ πάντα ἐλεγχόμενα ὑπὸ τοῦ φωτὸς φανεροῦται· πᾶν γὰρ τὸ φανερούμενον φῶς ἐστίν. Διὸ λέγει, Ἔγειρε ὁ καθεύδων καὶ ἀνάστα ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, καὶ ἐπιφάσει σοι ὁ Χριστός. Βλέπετε οὖν πῶς ἀκριβῶς περιπατεῖτε, μὴ ὡς ἄσοφοι, ἀλλ' ὡς σοφοί, ἐξαγοραζόμενοι τὸν καιρὸν, ὅτι αἱ ἡμέραι πονηραὶ εἰσιν. Διὰ τοῦτο μὴ γίνεσθε ἄφρονες, ἀλλὰ συνιέντες τί τὸ θέλημα τοῦ κυρίου. Καὶ μὴ μεθύσκεσθε οἴνῳ, ἐν ᾧ ἐστὶν ἀσωτία, ἀλλὰ πληροῦσθε ἐν πνεύματι, λαλοῦντες ἑαυτοῖς ψαλμοῖς καὶ ὕμνοις καὶ ᾠδαῖς πνευματικαῖς, ᾄδοντες καὶ ψάλλοντες ἐν τῇ καρδίᾳ ὑμῶν τῷ κυρίῳ.

### GOSPEL READING:

#### The Gospel According to Luke 18:35-43

At that time, as Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside

begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

#### Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 18:35-43 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, Ἐγένετο δὲ ἐν τῷ ἐγγίζειν αὐτὸν εἰς Ἱεριχὼ τυφλὸς τις ἐκάθητο παρὰ τὴν ὁδὸν προσαιτῶν· ἀκούσας δὲ ὄχλου διαπορευομένου ἐπυνθάνετο τί εἴη ταῦτα. ἀπήγγειλαν δὲ αὐτῷ ὅτι Ἰησοῦς ὁ Ναζωραῖος παρέρχεται. καὶ ἐβόησε λέγων· Ἰησοῦ υἱὲ Δαυὶδ, ἐλέησόν με· καὶ οἱ προάγοντες ἐπετίμων αὐτῷ ἵνα σιωπήσῃ· αὐτὸς δὲ πολλῶ μᾶλλον ἔκραζεν· υἱὲ Δαυὶδ, ἐλέησόν με. σταθεὶς δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐκέλευσεν αὐτὸν ἀχθῆναι πρὸς αὐτόν. ἐγγίσαντος δὲ αὐτοῦ ἐπηρώτησεν αὐτὸν λέγων· τί σοι θέλεις ποιήσω; ὁ δὲ εἶπε· Κύριε, ἵνα ἀναβλέψω. καὶ ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἀνάβλεπον· ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε. καὶ παραχρῆμα ἀνέβλεψε, καὶ

ἠκολούθει αὐτῷ δοξάζων τὸν Θεόν· καὶ πᾶς ὁ λαὸς ἰδὼν ἔδωκεν αἶνον τῷ Θεῷ.

### SAINTS AND FEASTS:

#### On this day we commemorate:

- 14th Sunday of Luke
- The Holy Prophet Sophonias (Zephaniah)
- Our Righteous Father John, Bishop and Hesychast
- Holy Martyrs Agapius and Seleucius

#### Readings:

#### The Holy Prophet Sophonias (Zephaniah)

This Prophet, who is ninth in order among the minor Prophets, was the son of Chusi (Cushi), from the tribe of Levi, or according to some, the great-grandson of King Hezekias. He prophesied in the years of Josias, who reigned in the years 641-610 before Christ. His book of prophecy is divided into three chapters. His name means "Yah is darkness."



## “14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of St. Luke”

**Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017**

8:30am - Orthros

9:30am - Divine Liturgy

10:40am-Sunday School

**Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> – St. Nicholas the Wonderworker**

9:30am- Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**

3:00-5:00pm- Confession

5:00pm-Vespers

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

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service this morning is for Ioannis Athanasiou beloved brother of Varvara Georgousis, brother-in-law of Demetrios Georgousis and uncle of Alexios Georgousis. Aionia Afton e Mnemni!

### FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Fellowship Hour this morning is being hosted by the Parish Council.

### PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Parishioners are encouraged to cast their ballots this morning after Divine Liturgy in the Community Center for the candidates for Parish Council. There are 6 vacancies. The candidates are Evangelia Archuleta, Zoi Benton, Demetrios Deliz, Vasiliki Lampropoulos, and Todd Wright. Elections will close at 1:30pm.

### BIBLE STUDY AND YAL

Tuesday, 7:10-8:10pm. Topic: I John 4. Location: School Building.

### JOY/HOPE

The JOY/HOPE will be meeting this Wednesday from 4:15-5:45pm. This program is geared for all children from 5-12 years of age. Fr. Phil will provide instruction in the Orthodox Faith. A complimentary meal 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

### ST. IRENE PHILOPTOCHOS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The ladies of the St. Irene Philoptochos are organizing a pre-lenten retreat and are looking for sponsors to help with funding. If you want to help sponsor this event please contact Linda Blazev (480) 766-9487. A donation in the form of frequent flier miles would also be appreciated. More details to follow. Thank you for your support!

**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 offers a series of Greek Language classes for children ages 4.5 - 5 (by September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017), on Fridays, from 6 to 7pm inside the school building. Tuition is \$38 per month. Classes began on Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. A brochure with more information is available at the Church narthex.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

*December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>: Philoptochos Holiday Bake Sale. Order forms in the bulletin.*

*December 17<sup>th</sup>: Sunday School Christmas Program*

### PLEASE NOTE...

It costs \$100 dollars per week per family to operate Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church. Please prayerfully consider your stewardship. 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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Monday - Friday

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Lunch: 12:00 – 1:00p.m.

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Fr. Demetrios Kavouras

## APOLYTIKION AND KONTAKION HYMNS

### Resurrectional Apolytikion in the First Tone

Although your tomb was sealed with a stone (by the Jews), O Savior, and Your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, You rose on the third day giving life to all the world. Therefore, O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise you: glory to Your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Your kingdom. Glory to Your saving wisdom (dispensation), O only lover of mankind.

### 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.

Τὴν πανεύφημον νόμφην Χριστοῦ  
ὕμνήσωμεν, Αἰκατερίναν τὴν θεῖαν καὶ  
πολιοῦχον Σινᾶ, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ  
ἀντίληψιν, ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς  
κομψοὺς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τῆ  
μαχαίρα, καὶ νῦν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα,  
αἰτεῖται πᾶσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

### Kontakion

On this day the Virgin Maid goes to the grotto to give birth to the pre-eternal Word in an ineffable manner. Dance for joy, all the inhabited earth, on hearing. Glorify along with Angels and with the shepherds Him who willed that He appear as a newborn Child, the pre-eternal God.

Welcome to all our visitors worshipping with us today!

We're glad you're here! Please join us at our Fellowship Hour immediately following the Divine Liturgy to meet fellow parishioners and learn more about the community.