

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL READINGS

EPISTLE READING:

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Daniel 3.26,27

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.

Verse: For you are just in all you have done.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:4-11

Brethren, when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

Προκείμενον. Ἦχος δ'. Δανιήλ 3.26-27

Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν Πατέρων ἡμῶν.

Στίχ. Ὅτι δίκαιος εἶ ἐπὶ πᾶσιν, οἷς ἐποίησας ἡμῖν.

Πρὸς Κολοσσαεῖς 3:4-11 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, ὅταν ὁ Χριστὸς φανερωθῆ, ἡ ζωὴ ἡμῶν, τότε καὶ ὑμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ φανερωθήσεσθε ἐν δόξῃ. Νεκρώσατε οὖν τὰ μέλη ὑμῶν τὰ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, πορνείαν, ἀκαθαρσίαν, πάθος, ἐπιθυμίαν κακὴν, καὶ τὴν πλεονεξίαν, ἣτις ἐστὶν εἰδωλολατρεία, δι' ἧς ἔρχεται ἡ ὀργὴ τοῦ θεοῦ ἐπὶ τοὺς υἱοὺς τῆς ἀπειθείας· Ἐν οἷς καὶ ὑμεῖς περιπατήσατέ ποτε, ὅτε ἐζήτε ἐν αὐτοῖς. Νυνὶ δὲ ἀπόθεσθε καὶ ὑμεῖς τὰ πάντα, ὀργὴν, θυμὸν, κακίαν, βλασφημίαν, αἰσχρολογίαν ἐκ τοῦ στόματος ὑμῶν· μὴ ψεύδεσθε εἰς ἀλλήλους, ἀπεκδυσάμενοι τὸν παλαιὸν ἄνθρωπον σὺν ταῖς πράξεσιν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐνδυσάμενοι τὸν νέον, τὸν ἀνακαινούμενον εἰς ἐπίγνωσιν κατ' εἰκόνα τοῦ κτίσαντος αὐτόν· ὅπου οὐκ ἔνι Ἕλληνας καὶ Ἰουδαῖος, περιτομὴ καὶ ἀκροβυστία, βάρβαρος, Σκύθης, δοῦλος, ἐλεύθερος· ἀλλὰ τὰ πάντα καὶ ἐν πᾶσιν Χριστός.

GOSPEL READING:

The Gospel According to Luke 14:16-24

The Lord said this parable: "A man once gave a great banquet, and invited many; and at the time of the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for all is now ready.' But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I go out and see it; I pray you, have me excused.' And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I must go to examine them; I pray you, have me excused.' And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' So the servant came and reported this to his master. Then the householder in anger said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and maimed and blind and lame.' And the servant said, 'Sir, what you commanded has been done, and there is still room.' And the master said to the servant, 'Go out to the highways and hedges, and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet. For many are called, but few are chosen.'"

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 14:16-24 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ἄνθρωπός τις ἐποίησε δεῖπνον μέγα καὶ ἐκάλεσε πολλούς· καὶ ἀπέστειλε τὸν δοῦλον αὐτοῦ τῇ ὥρᾳ τοῦ δεῖπνου εἰπεῖν τοῖς κεκλημένοις· ἔρχεσθε, ὅτι ἤδη ἔτοιμά ἐστι πάντα. καὶ ἤρξαντο ἀπὸ μιᾶς παραιτεῖσθαι πάντες. ὁ πρῶτος εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἀγρὸν ἠγόρασα, καὶ ἔχω ἀνάγκην ἐξελθεῖν καὶ ἰδεῖν αὐτόν· ἐρωτῶ σε, ἔχε με παρητημένον. καὶ ἕτερος εἶπε· ζεύγη βοῶν ἠγόρασα πέντε, καὶ πορεύομαι δοκιμάσαι αὐτά· ἐρωτῶ σε, ἔχε με παρητημένον. καὶ ἕτερος εἶπε· γυναῖκα ἔγημα, καὶ διὰ τοῦτο οὐ δύναμαι ἐλθεῖν. καὶ παραγενόμενος ὁ δοῦλος ἐκεῖνος ἀπήγγειλε τῷ κυρίῳ αὐτοῦ ταῦτα. τότε ὀργισθεὶς ὁ οἰκοδεσπότης εἶπε τῷ δούλῳ αὐτοῦ· ἔξελθε ταχέως εἰς τὰς πλατείας καὶ ῥύμας τῆς πόλεως, καὶ τοὺς πτωχοὺς καὶ ἀναπήρους καὶ χωλοὺς καὶ τυφλοὺς εἰσάγαγε ὧδε. καὶ εἶπεν ὁ δοῦλος· κύριε, γέγονεν ὡς ἐπέταξας, καὶ ἔτι τόπος ἐστί. καὶ εἶπεν ὁ κύριος πρὸς τὸν δοῦλον· ἔξελθε εἰς τὰς ὁδοὺς καὶ φραγμοὺς καὶ ἀνάγκασον εἰσελθεῖν, ἵνα γεμισθῇ ὁ οἶκος μου. λέγω γὰρ ὑμῖν ὅτι οὐδεὶς τῶν ἀνδρῶν ἐκείνων τῶν κεκλημένων γεύσεται μου τοῦ δεῖπνου. Πολλοὶ γὰρ εἰσιν κλητοί, ὀλίγοι δὲ ἐκλεκτοί.

“11th Sunday of Luke”

Sunday, December 16th, 2018

8:30am-Orthros

9:30am-Divine Liturgy

10:40am- Sunday School

Saturday, December 22nd

3:00-5:00pm- Confession

5:00pm-Vespers

Parish Council Assignment Team #3-
Demetrios, Todd, Josephine

ARTOKLASIA

The Artoklasia this morning is offered by the Thorpe family in thanksgiving to God for the abundant blessings He has so graciously bestowed on them.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR LUNCHEON

The Fellowship Hour this morning is sponsored by the ladies of St. Irene Philoptochos. Please join us during for a luncheon to support Philoptochos' fund for Holy Cross Seminarians from our Metropolis.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

The following parishioners were elected to the Parish Council for a two-year term: Marina Ambus, Christopher Asbill, Gary Boyce, Mike Delos, and Athena Light. Congratulations to each of them!

BOOKSTORE

The bookstore is open today for all of your last-minute Christmas Gift purchases We have a lovely selection of children's books about the Nativity and St. Nicholas as well as the beautiful Nativity Icons, Orthodox tree ornaments, prayer bead bracelets (or knotted bracelets) and other religious gifts. Have a Blessed Holy Season. We will be closed on Christmas Eve & Christmas Day.

BIBLE STUDY AND YAL

Tuesday, 7:10pm. Topic: III John. Location: Choir loft in church.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS TO CLEAN CHURCH

Anyone interested in lending a hand to clean the church please contact Vicki Lampropoulos at 480-855-9112

UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 22nd – 5:30-8:00pm Sunday School Drop and Shop and Pageant practice -See Nicolette Wright for more information.

December 23rd – SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM -Please show your support of our youth and dedicated teachers by making plans to attend.

December 28, 2018- Philoptochos/Agape Group “Feed My Starving Children” event. See flier in Narthex for details or contact Maria Morton.

January 26, 2019 – AGAPE BALL See enclosed flier for details.

ADDITIONAL PARKING

Please remember that additional parking is available in the lot on the 5th acre west of the flat-roof building on Comstock Street.

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!

Deadline for bulletin announcements

All announcements to be published in the Sunday bulletin must be submitted (email is preferred) by noon on the Wednesday prior to publication. The online version is sent to the webpage manager on Wednesday afternoon, anything received after that may appear in the print version but not online.

Greek Archdiocese of America:

www.goarch.org

Metropolis of San Francisco:

www.sanfran.goarch.org

Download & Print the Bulletin & Spirit at:

www.st-katherine.org

St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church Weekly Bulletin December 16, 2018 Welcome!



2716 N. Dobson Rd., Ste. 101
Chandler, Arizona 85224

Phone & Fax: (480) 899-3330

Website: www.st-katherine.org

E-mail: office@st-katherine.org

Church Office Hours:

Monday - Friday

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Closed 12:00 – 1:00p.m. for lunch

Proistamenos:

Rev. Fr. Philip S. Armstrong

Email: skcpriest@yahoo.com

Assisting Priest:

Fr. Demetrios Kavouras

SAINTS AND FEASTS

Today we commemorate:

- 11th Sunday of Luke
- The Holy Prophet Aggaeus (Haggai)
- Modestos, Archbishop of Jerusalem
- Our Rigueous Mother Blessed Empress Theophania

READINGS:

The Holy Prophet Aggaeus, whose name means "festive," was born in Babylon at the time of the captivity Of the Jews. He began to prophesy in Jerusalem after their return thereto, and to admonish the people to rebuild the Temple, in the days of Zorobabel, the second year of the reign of Darius Hystaspes, King of Persia, about the year 520 before Christ. His prophecy, divided into two chapters, is ranked tenth among the minor Prophets.

Saint Theophania, who was born in Constantinople, was of royal lineage. Instructed in letters, and adorned with many virtues, she was united in marriage to Emperor Leo the Wise (reigned 886-912). But counting the glory of the earthly kingdom as nought, she spent her nights and days in serving God with psalms and hymns and prayers, working various good deeds until she surrendered her spirit to God in peace, while still in her youth, being, according to some, about twenty years of age, according to others, twenty-seven. Her holy relics are still preserved in the patriarchal church in Constantinople as a source of healing for those that draw nigh with faith and longing. She was also the builder of the Holy Patriarchal and Stavropigeal Monastery of St. Anastasia the Protector from Potions in Chalke (883).

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.