

**EPISTLE AND GOSPEL  
READINGS**

**EPISTLE READING:**

**Prokeimenon. Mode 4.**

**Psalm 146.5;134.3**

**Great is our Lord, and great is his power.**

**Verse: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.**

**The reading is from St. Paul's  
First Letter to Timothy 2:1-7**

Timothy, my son, first of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all, the testimony to which was borne at the proper time. For this I was appointed a preacher and apostle (I

am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

**Προκείμενον. mode-0.**

**Πρὸς Τιμόθεον α' 2:1-7 τὸ  
ἀνάγνωσμα**

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, παρακαλῶ οὖν πρῶτον πάντων ποιῆσαι δεήσεις, προσευχάς, ἐντεύξεις, εὐχαριστίας, ὑπὲρ πάντων ἀνθρώπων, ὑπὲρ βασιλέων καὶ πάντων τῶν ἐν ὑπεροχῇ ὄντων, ἵνα ἤρεμον καὶ ἡσύχιον βίον διάγωμεν ἐν πάσῃ εὐσεβείᾳ καὶ σεμνότητι. Τοῦτο γὰρ καλὸν καὶ ἀπόδεκτον ἐνώπιον τοῦ σωτῆρος ἡμῶν Θεοῦ, ὃς πάντας ἀνθρώπους θέλει σωθῆναι καὶ εἰς ἐπίγνωσιν ἀληθείας ἐλθεῖν. Εἷς γὰρ Θεός, εἷς καὶ μεσίτης Θεοῦ καὶ ἀνθρώπων, ἄνθρωπος Χριστὸς Ἰησοῦς, ὁ δὸς ἑαυτὸν ἀντίλυτρον ὑπὲρ πάντων, τὸ μαρτύριον καιροῖς ἰδίους, εἰς ὃ ἐτέθη ἐγὼ κήρυξ καὶ ἀπόστολος,- ἀλήθειαν λέγω ἐν Χριστῷ, οὐ ψεύδομαι,- διδάσκαλος ἐθνῶν ἐν πίστει καὶ ἀληθείᾳ.

**GOSPEL READING:**

**The Gospel According to Luke  
4:16-22**

At that time, Jesus came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up; and he went to the synagogue, as his custom was, on the sabbath day. And he stood up to read; and there was given to him the book of the prophet Isaiah. He opened the book and found the place where it was written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord." And he closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. And he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke well of him, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth.

**Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 4:16-22  
Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα**

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἦλθεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς Ναζαρά, οὗ ἦν τεθραμμένος, καὶ εἰσηλθε κατὰ τὸ εἰωθὸς αὐτῷ ἐν τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τῶν σαββάτων εἰς τὴν συναγωγὴν, καὶ ἀνέστη ἀναγῶναι.

καὶ ἐπεδόθη αὐτῷ βιβλίον Ἡσαίου τοῦ προφήτου, καὶ ἀναπτύξας τὸ βιβλίον εὔρε τὸν τόπον οὗ ἦν γεγραμμένον· Πνεῦμα Κυρίου ἐπ' ἐμέ, οὗ εἶνεκεν ἔχρισέ με, εὐαγγελίσασθαι πτωχοῖς ἀπέσταλκέ με, ἰάσασθαι τοὺς συντετριμμένους τὴν καρδίαν, κηρῦσαι αἰχμαλώτοις ἄφεςιν καὶ τυφλοῖς ἀνάβλεψιν, ἀποστεῖλαι τεθραυσμένους ἐν ἀφέσει, κηρῦσαι ἐνιαυτὸν Κυρίου δεκτόν. καὶ πτύξας τὸ βιβλίον ἀποδοὺς τῷ ὑπηρέτῃ ἐκάθισε· καὶ πάντων ἐν τῇ συναγωγῇ οἱ ὀφθαλμοὶ ἦσαν ἀτενίζοντες αὐτῷ. ἤρξατο δὲ λέγειν πρὸς αὐτοὺς ὅτι σήμερον πεπλήρωται ἡ γραφὴ αὕτη ἐν τοῖς ὠσίν ὑμῶν. καὶ πάντες ἐμαρτύρουν αὐτῷ καὶ ἐθαύμαζον ἐπὶ τοῖς λόγοις τῆς χάριτος τοῖς ἐκπορευομένοις ἐκ τοῦ στόματος αὐτοῦ.

## “Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year”

**Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

8:30am-Orthros

9:30am-Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

4:00pm-Confession

5:00pm-Great Vespers

Parish Council Duty Team #1- Athena,  
Marina, Vicki, Rick

### ARTOKLASIA

The Artoklasia this morning is offered by the ladies of St. Irene Philoptochos in thanksgiving to God for the blessings of the past year and in anticipation of His continued blessings on our parish in the coming year.

### FELLOWSHIP HOUR

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

### FR. TIMOTHY PAVLATOS SERVING ST. KATHERINE DURING AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

Fr. Timothy Pavlatos will be serving for the months of August and September. His office hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 10:30am-2:00pm. In the event of emergency or pastoral need contact the church office or one of the Parish Council members.

### OFFICE TO BE CLOSED

The office will be closed on Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> in observance of the Labor Day Holiday.

### SPIRITUAL DISCUSSION GROUP

Fr. Timothy Pavlatos will lead a spiritual discussion group on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-8:00pm in the church.

### HOPE/JOY

HOPE JOY for grades K-6th begins on Friday Sept. 6th @ 5:30pm with Fr. Timothy. Dinner will be served at 5:30 followed by Fr. Timothy's lesson.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION OPEN

All students must be registered. Forms are available in the Narthex. Please return completed forms to the church office.

### THANK YOU

The St. Armour family would like to express their deepest gratitude for the outpouring of love and kindness during their time of sorrow. May God bless you all!

### VOLUNTEER NEEDED

A reliable volunteer is needed to manage the 4<sup>th</sup> acre irrigation. Please see a Parish Council member for details.

### SEEKING A GREEK SCHOOL TEACHER

Qualified and interested people please contact Marina Ambus for more information.

### BIBLE STUDY/YAL FELLOWSHIP

Bible Study, Inquirer's Class and YAL Fellowship will be on recess until further notice.

### FR. PHIL ON SABBATCAL

At the request of His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos Fr. Phil will be on sabbatical through September 29<sup>th</sup> for vocal rest.

### OFFICE HOURS

Please note that office hours are Monday through Thursday 9:30am-3:30pm (closed 12:00-1:00 for lunch).

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

*Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> -Sunday School begins*

*Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> Philoptochos General Meeting*

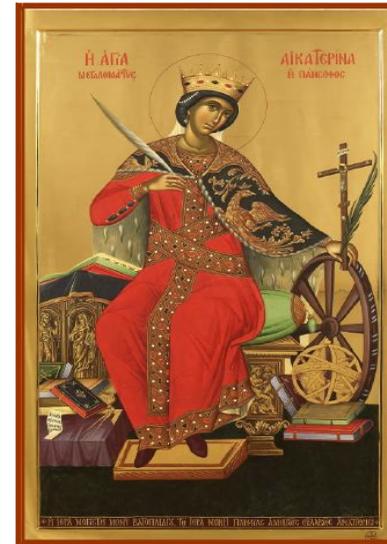
*Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> - Orthodox Christian Choral Fellowship, see flier in Narthex for details.*

### 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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## Saints and Feasts

Today we commemorate:

- Ecclesiastical New Year
- Symeon the Stylite
- Synaxis of the Recovery of the Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos of Miasenae
- The 40 Holy Ascetic Virgin Martyrs of Thrace and their Teacher Ammon the Deacon

### READINGS:

Our righteous Father Symeon was born about the year 390 in a certain village named Sis, in the mountain region of Cilicia and Syria. Having first been a shepherd, he entered the monastic discipline at a young age. After trying various kinds of ascetical practices, both in the monastery and then in the wilderness, he began standing on pillars of progressively greater height, and heroically persevered in this for more than forty years; the greater part of this time he spent standing upright, even when one of his feet became gangrenous, and other parts of his body gave way under the strain. He did not adopt this strange way of life out of vainglory, a charge that some of his contemporaries made against him at the first: because he was already famous for his asceticism and holiness before ascending his first pillar (in Greek, style, whence he is called "Stylite"), many pious people came to him wishing to touch his garments, either for healing or for a blessing; to escape the continual vexation they caused, he made a pillar about ten feet high, and then higher and higher, until the fourth and last was about fifty feet high. The Church historian Theodoret of Cyrrhus, an eyewitness of his exploits who wrote of him while Symeon was yet alive, called him "the great wonder of the world." God gave him the grace to persevere in such an astonishing form of asceticism that multitudes came to see him from Persia, Armenia, South Arabia, Georgia, Thrace, Spain, Italy, Gaul, and the British Isles. Theodoret says that he became so famous in Rome that the Nomadic Arabs by the thousands believed in Christ and were baptized because of him; the King of Persia sent envoys to inquire into his way of life, and the Queen asked to be sent oil that he had blessed. He also was a great defender of sound doctrine, and confirmed the Orthodoxy of the Holy Council of Chalcedon for many who had been beguiled by the teachings of the Monophysites, including the Empress Eudocia, widow of Theodosius the Younger. After a life of unheard-of achievements and struggles, he reposed in peace at the age of sixty-nine, in the year 459.

**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.**