

# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



**September 18, 2022  
Sunday After Holy Cross**

## **Mission Statement**

To Engage, Serve, and Enrich the lives of Orthodox Christians, through Word, Worship, and Outreach, and to Welcome all people to live the Orthodox Christian way of life.

### **Our Clergy:**

Fr. Timothy Pavlatos, Pastor  
Fr. Demetrios Kavouras, Priest Emeritus

### **Contact Us:**

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### **Church Office Hours:**

Tuesday-Thursday 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Closed 12:00-1:00 p.m. for lunch  
Fr. Timothy is off on Thursdays.

*Metropolis of San Francisco / Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America*

## Hymns at the Small Entrance

### Resurrectional Apolytikion-Plagal Tone 1

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate with the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was born for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. For in His goodness He was pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, and to raise up those who had died, by His glorious Resurrection. [

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι ἠυδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελεῖν ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείρει τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

### Apolytikion for the Elevation of the Holy Cross

Save O Lord, O Lord Your people, and bless Your inheritance. Grant victory to the faithful against the adversaries of the faith, and protect Your people through Your Holy Cross, Your Holy Cross.

Σώσον Κύριε τὸν λαόν σου καὶ ευλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς Βασιλεύσι κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος καὶ τό σὸν φυλάττων διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

### 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 refined, by the power of the Spirit. She was crowned as a martyr of the Lord, and for all, she entreats His great mercy.

Τὴν πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστοῦ ὑμνήσωμεν, Αἰκατερίναν τὴν θεῖαν καὶ πολιοῦχον Σινᾶ, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν, ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κοιμψοὺς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τῇ μαχαίρᾳ, καὶ νῦν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πᾶσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

### Kontakion

You who were lifted on the cross voluntarily, O Christ our God, bestow Your tender compassions upon Your new community to which You gave Your name. Cause our faithful emperors to be glad in Your power, granting them the victories against their adversaries. And for an ally, Lord, may they have You, peace as their armor, the trophy invincible.

Ὁ ὑψωθείς ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ ἐκουσίως, τῇ ἐπωνύμῳ σου καινῇ πολιτείᾳ τοὺς οἰκτιρομῶς σου δώρησαι, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός· εὐφρανον ἐν τῇ δυνάμει σου τοὺς πιστοὺς βασιλεῖς ἡμῶν, νίκας χορηγῶν αὐτοῖς κατὰ τῶν πολεμιῶν· τὴν συμμαχίαν ἔχοιεν τὴν σὴν, ὄπλον εἰρήνης, ἀήττητον τρόπαιον.

## Epistle Reading

### Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to

## Epistle Reading continued:

God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

### Πρὸς Γαλάτας 2:16-20 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, εἰδότες ὅτι οὐ δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, ἐὰν μὴ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, καὶ ἡμεῖς εἰς Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν ἐπίστευσάμεν, ἵνα δικαιωθῶμεν ἐκ πίστεως Χριστοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων νόμου· διότι οὐ δικαιωθῆσεται ἐξ ἔργων νόμου πᾶσα σὰρξ. Εἰ δέ, ζητοῦντες δικαιωθῆναι ἐν Χριστῷ, εὐρέθημεν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἁμαρτωλοὶ, ἅρα Χριστὸς ἁμαρτίας διάκονος; Μὴ γένοιτο. Εἰ γὰρ ἂν κατέλυσα, ταῦτα πάλιν οἰκοδομῶ, παραβάτην ἑμαυτὸν συνίστημι. Ἐγὼ γὰρ διὰ νόμου νόμῳ ἀπέθανον, ἵνα θεῷ ζήσω. Χριστῷ συνεσταύρωμαι· ζῶ δέ, οὐκέτι ἐγώ, ζῆ δὲ ἐν ἐμοὶ Χριστός· ὃ δὲ νῦν ζῶ ἐν σαρκί, ἐν πίστει ζῶ τῆ τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ, τοῦ ἀγαπήσαντός με καὶ παραδόντος ἑαυτὸν ὑπὲρ ἐμοῦ.

## Gospel Reading

### Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

### Μᾶρκον 8:34-38, 9:1

Ἐἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· Εἴ τις θέλει ὀπίσω μου ἐλθεῖν, ἀπαρνησάσθω ἑαυτὸν καὶ ἀράτω τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἀκολουθεῖτω μοι. ὃς γὰρ ἂν θέλῃ τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ σῶσαι, ἀπολέσει αὐτήν· ὃς δ' ἂν ἀπολέσῃ τὴν ἑαυτοῦ ψυχὴν ἕνεκεν ἐμοῦ καὶ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου, οὗτος σώσει αὐτήν. τί γὰρ ὠφελήσει ἄνθρωπον ἐὰν κερδήσῃ τὸν κόσμον ὅλον, καὶ ζημιωθῆ τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ; ἢ τί δώσει ἄνθρωπος ἀντάλλαγμα τῆς ψυχῆς αὐτοῦ; ὃς γὰρ ἐὰν ἐπαισχυνθῆ με καὶ τοὺς ἐμούς λόγους ἐν τῇ γενεᾷ ταύτῃ τῇ μοιχαλίδι καὶ ἁμαρτωλῷ, καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπαισχυνθήσεται αὐτὸν ὅταν ἔλθῃ ἐν τῇ δόξῃ τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ μετὰ τῶν ἀγγέλων τῶν ἁγίων. Καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι εἰσὶ τινες τῶν ὧδε ἐστηκότων, οἵτινες οὐ μὴ γεύσονται θανάτου ἕως ἂν ἴδωσι τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐληλυθυῖαν ἐν δυνάμει.

## Saints of the Day

- Eumenius the Wonderworker, Bishop of Gortynia
- Ariadne the Martyr

**Eumenius the Wonderworker, Bishop of Gortynia**—This Saint took up the monastic life from his youth, and later became Bishop of Gortynia in Crete. He travelled to Rome, and to Thebes in Upper Egypt, where through his prayers he ended a drought; there also, after working many miracles, he reposed in deep old age. His holy relics were returned to Gortynia and buried at the place called Raxos.

## Orthodox Catechism Classes



Tuesdays 7:00–8:15 p.m., Oct. 11th – Dec. 20th. Inside the Church of St. Katherine

### October

11th: The Holy Trinity  
18th: Holy Tradition  
25th: Church History I

### November

1st: Church History II  
8th: The Divine Liturgy  
15th: The Holy Mysteries I  
22nd: The Holy Mysteries II  
29th: The Mother of God

### December

6th: Ortho dox Spirituality I  
13th: Orthodox Spirituality II  
20th: Icons & Architecture

## Welcome to Our Visitors



We welcome you with open arms and joy in our Lord and hope your experience at St. Katherine's is a blessing for you.

Only those who are Baptized and/or Chrismated in the Orthodox faith may receive Holy Communion. If you are not Orthodox, you may approach the Chalice for a blessing. To do this, come to the chalice and simply say, “a blessing please.”

Orthodox Christians desiring to receive the Body of Blood of Christ must ensure proper preparation through confession (minimum 4 times a year), reconciliation in your heart with all, and observation of the fasting guidelines set forth by the Church.

If you have any questions please contact Fr. Timothy.

## Our Parish Family

If you are new to our parish and would like to become a member and begin receiving News & Updates please contact our Church office: [office@st-katherineaz.org](mailto:office@st-katherineaz.org) or call 480-899-3330.

If you are visiting and/or inquiring about the Orthodox faith and are interested in learning more, please contact Fr. Timothy: [frtimskchurch@gmail.com](mailto:frtimskchurch@gmail.com)

## Service Schedule—Week of September 11th

**Sun., September 18th:** 8:15 a.m. Orthros, 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**St. Silouan of Athos, Sat. September 24th:** 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy, 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers

### Auxiliary Fair

Please join us in the Community Center following the dismissal of Liturgy for our annual Auxiliary Fair to explore the numerous opportunities offered by our ministries and organizations for fellowship and involvement.

### Helpful Information:

**Fellowship Hour:** Hosted by the Parish Council

**Dean Pappas Memorial Bookstore:** Open today after Liturgy.

**Note:** Please make every effort to arrive for services a little early. If you happen to arrive late, please observe the following moments in the Divine Liturgy when you should not enter the Nave but wait quietly in the Narthex. You may enter **after** these moments:

- The Priest is censing
- The Small Entrance
- The Great Entrance
- Epistle Reading
- Gospel Reading
- The Homily
- Consecration of the Gifts
- The Lord's Prayer

### Confession Times:

- Saturdays from 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.
- During Great Vespers immediately following the Great Censing. Please wait in the front pews closest to the Bishop's Throne.
- By appointment (Please contact the church office)

### Resources:

\*Sunday Homilies: To access all Homilies, <https://stkatherineaz.org/>

\*For Orthros (Matins) Text visit: [AGES Digital Chant Stand](#)

\*Saints, Feasts, Epistle & Gospel readings: <https://www.goarch.org/chapel/calendar>

**Please silence cell phones when in church.**

## Upcoming Events/Save the Date

- **October 7th-9th:** Holy Trinity's Greek Festival
- **October 15th:** St. Katherine 40th Anniversary Celebration
- **October 29th:** Taverna Night
- **November 13th:** Fall General Assembly (Please note the new date, this has been rescheduled due to a wedding on the previous date)

## Sunday School Began September 11th!

We are excited to kick-off the start of the year welcoming new and returning families to join our youth programs.

Parents, after your children receive Communion, please bring them to class so we can ensure registration has been completed.

- Grades PreK-2, in Community Center
- Grades 3-5, Choir Loft
- Grades 6-12, 5th Acre

If you haven't registered yet, you can do so [HERE!](#)



•All classes will be dismissed and instructed to return to the Community Center for parents to pick up.

## Adult Modern Greek Language Class via Zoom

To accommodate beginning students, we are pleased to offer a new class for those with no Greek language experience. This is a change from our previously advertised classes which required some prior knowledge of Greek.

The one-hour class will be held via Zoom on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. A start date will be announced once we have enough students to fill the class. Check our website or weekly newsletter for updates.

The Intermediate class will also continue via Zoom on Thursday evenings beginning September 22nd.

Class fees are \$75 monthly. Students are required to purchase a textbook and workbook.

To register or for more information, please email Marina Ambus at: [marinaambus@gmail.com](mailto:marinaambus@gmail.com)



### Attention Parents!

For a variety of online children's Greek language classes please visit:

<https://greeschoolonline.org/children-classes/>

## TAVERNA NIGHT-SAVE THE DATE!!

Saint Katherine GOC will be hosting a Taverna Night on Saturday, **October 29, 2022.**

This is an event that we publicize to our Festival patrons as a way for them to come enjoy some Greek food and music for an evening. We will be serving various food items that guests may take home or eat in the Community Center. For those guests dining in we offer indoor seating, taped music playing and a no-host bar serving liquid refreshments.

**Volunteers will be needed in the kitchen, the serving line, as cashiers, table and hall cleaning, etc.** We want people to attend the event, enjoy our hospitality, their meal and we would like to serve as many guests as possible.



For those that have other plans or can't find the time to assist, perhaps you could come and support the event by purchasing some food items. This is a fund-raiser for St Katherine and any contribution of your time or financial support of the Taverna is appreciated.

**More details to follow; if you'd like to volunteer, please contact Vange Archuleta, John Chrisagis, Glenn Thorpe or call the church office and let us know your availability.**

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## St. Katherine 40th Anniversary Celebration

We are blessed to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our beloved St. Katherine parish with a Gala event on Saturday October 15, 2022. Our spiritual Father, his Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos, will be with us for this joyous occasion.

Details for the evening are included in the attached flyer.

**Tickets** may be purchased after church in the Community Center or online by going to:

[www.stkatherineaz.org](http://www.stkatherineaz.org)

**Program Book** – Advertise your business and/or give Best Wishes on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

In addition to the ads, there will be “In Memoriam” pages, giving

parishioners the opportunity to honor departed loved ones who were instrumental in the growth of St. Katherine. Contact Niki Pallas with any questions on the Program Book or to obtain an order form online at: [elpinikiaz@gmail.com](mailto:elpinikiaz@gmail.com)

Please stop by the table in the Community Center during coffee hour for ticket sales, Program Book orders and any question you may have.

**Silent Auction** – Details for the silent auction are in the weekly update and in the Sunday bulletin. Items donated and not used in the silent auction can be returned to donor or donated to Philoptochos. Send silent auction items/information to: [office@st-katherine.org](mailto:office@st-katherine.org)

If you need additional information, contact me at [marybsells@gmail.com](mailto:marybsells@gmail.com). with any questions or stop by the table at the Community Center during coffee hour. Looking forward to a successful evening honoring the history of our parish.

Chairman – Mary Bowen





## St. Katherine 40th Anniversary Celebration Silent Auction Update

John & Diana Chrisagis, Dimitrios & Despina Laloudakis and Glenn & Marjie Thorpe will be co-chairing the Silent Auction for the Anniversary dinner!! Thank you to the five of them for accepting my plea for assistance!

First and foremost, we need items to auction. Items that come to mind:

- gift cards to restaurants, salons, movies or other services
- airline miles or hotel points (the holder would have to redeem them for a certificate we could use)
- sports memorabilia / equipment
- foursomes for golf
- weekends or a full week at a time-share or vacation home

Items can and will be put together to make a bigger and better auction piece. Please, no used items and no clothing (unless a team jersey or hat).

The committee is not going to be 'beating the bushes' to get donations. That is for **everyone** in the parish to do. Contact family, friends, business associates or local businesses to see if they would like to donate an item (and have their product advertised to our guests). You can contact any of the committee to give us your items as you procure them. If you need help getting the item to church, contact the committee and we'll see if we can find someone that can help with that. Retired parishioners have told me if we ever need anything picked up, they're more than willing to help. This may be your chance!!

Additionally, cash donations are always welcome. We will have to purchase certain items (such as gift baskets and wrapping) in order to put smaller items together in a 'themed basket.' We can also use the cash donations to purchase items for the Auction.

Get out there and get us some great items!! Any items we do not use will be given to Philoptochos for their next rummage sale!

John Chrisagis

## Prayer Requests

Prayers for the living will be retained on the list for 40 days.



*Philippians 4:6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God.*

- Charline Hardin, Health and healing
- Nick Vasilatos, Health and healing
- Cherie & Katie Ladas, Health and healing
- Christiana, James, Sophia, Anastasia, Katherine & Alexander
- Jamie, health & healing
- John Zafirakis, health and healing
- Jim Mitchell, health and healing
- Peace for the Tigrayan People, consolation for the suffering and bereaved
- Peace in Ukraine, and consolation for the suffering and bereaved.
- For our Sunday School Teachers and Youth Workers, that their efforts will be blessed as they prepare for the upcoming year.
- For our Catechumens and Inquirers, as Fr. Timothy begins the Fall Orthodox Catechism classes.
- For our parishioners serving in armed services: That they may be safe and strong. Lord bless: Scott Fagerberg (at Davis-Monthon AFB)
- For our Seminarians- that they may prosper and grow in your will – Lord bless: Emmanuel (Manoli) Aspiotis & Nikolas Makarios

## MILESTONES & MANY YEARS !



Are you celebrating a birth, baptism, birthday/nameday, anniversary or other special occasion that you would like to share with our community? To have your special occasion included in our Weekly Update, please complete the "Milestones & Many Years" form (available at the candle stand) and return it to the church office or a Parish Council member.

### St. Irene Philoptochos News

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, St. Irene Philoptochos was able to donate over \$1,000 designated to purchase bottled water for the homeless to the Phoenix Rescue Mission.

Many thanks to those who donated!



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#### Young Adult Ministry

Assumption's Young Adult ministry will be returning on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm beginning September 7. Join us for a potluck dinner and discussion!

September 7

September 21

October 5

October 19

November 2

November 16

December 7

December 21

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### Holy Trinity's 61st Annual Greek Festival

October 7-9, 2022

For more information please go to:

[Phoenixgreekfestival.org](http://Phoenixgreekfestival.org)

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**GREEK**  
Festival  
61<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL

### STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

Thank you to all who have filled out and turned in your 2022 Stewardship cards.

To date we have received 139 pledges totaling \$273,171.

Please help us reach our Stewardship pledge goal this year. May God bless us and this parish as a whole for all that each and every one of us brings as our offering to our Lord Jesus Christ, and His Bride, the

### RECOMMENDED LEVELS OF GIVING

PERCENT OF INCOME	5%		8%		10%	
	Annual Giving	Weekly	Annual Giving	Weekly	Annual Giving	Weekly
Annual Income						
\$20,000	\$1,000	\$19.23	\$1,600	\$30.77	\$2,000	\$38.46
\$40,000	\$2,000	\$38.46	\$3,200	\$61.54	\$4,000	\$76.92
\$60,000	\$3,000	\$57.69	\$4,800	\$92.31	\$6,000	\$115.38
\$80,000	\$4,000	\$76.92	\$6,400	\$123.08	\$8,000	\$153.85
\$100,000	\$5,000	\$96.15	\$8,000	\$153.85	\$10,000	\$192.31
\$125,000	\$6,250	\$120.19	\$10,000	\$192.31	\$12,500	\$240.38
\$150,000	\$7,500	\$144.23	\$12,000	\$230.77	\$15,000	\$288.46
\$200,000	\$10,000	\$192.31	\$16,000	\$307.69	\$20,000	\$384.62



*"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*

Matthew 6:21

***Thank you for your commitment.***

### New Convenient Ways to Give!

Hover your phone camera over the QR code, which will take you to our website. From the menu, click on the Stewardship tab.

Digital payment platforms allow the church to accept tithes, general donations, or specific donations for any ministry. To ensure your donation is allocated properly, please make a note in the memo indicating your wishes.

