# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



## May 14th, 2023 Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

## **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:

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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

#### **Resurrection Apolytikion**

Having learned the joyful proclamation of the Resurrection from the angel, and having cast off the ancestral condemnation, the women disciples said to the Apostles triumphantly: Death is despoiled and Christ God is risen, granting great mercy unto the world.

#### **Apolytikion of Mid-Pentecost**

At Mid-feast give Thou my thirsty soul to drink of the waters of piety; for Thou, O Savior, didst cry out to all: Whosoever is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. Wherefore, O Wellspring of life, Christ our God, glory be to Thee.

#### 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, Αἰκατερῖναν τὴν θείαν 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 of Pascha

Though Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal One, yet didst Thou destroy the power of Hades, and didst arise as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women, Rejoice, and giving peace unto Thine Apostles, O Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen

Εί καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατῆλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν.

## **Epistle Reading**

Acts of the Apostles 11:19-30

In those days, those apostles who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabos stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea, and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

#### Πράξεις Άποστόλων 11:19-30

Έν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκείναις, διασπαρέντες οἱ Ἀπόστολοι ἀπὸ τῆς θλίψεως τῆς γενομένης ἐπὶ Στεφάνῳ διῆλθον ἔως Φοινίκης καὶ Κύπρου καὶ Ἀντιοχείας, μηδενὶ λαλοῦντες τὸν λόγον εἰ μὴ μόνον Ἰουδαίοις. Ἦσαν δέ τινες ἐξ αὐτῶν ἄνδρες Κύπριοι καὶ Κυρηναῖοι, οἴτινες εἰσελθόντες εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν, ἐλάλουν πρὸς τοὺς Ἑλληνιστάς, εὐαγγελιζόμενοι τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν. Καὶ ἦν χεὶρ κυρίου μετ' αὐτῶν· πολύς τε ἀριθμὸς πιστεύσας ἐπέστρεψεν ἐπὶ τὸν κύριον. Ἡκούσθη δὲ ὁ λόγος εἰς τὰ ὧτα τῆς ἐκκλησίας τῆς ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις περὶ αὐτῶν· καὶ ἐξαπέστειλαν Βαρνάβαν διελθεῖν ἕως Ἀντιοχείας· ὂς παραγενόμενος καὶ ἰδὼν τὴν χάριν τοῦ θεοῦ ἐχάρη, καὶ παρεκάλει πάντας τῆ προθέσει τῆς καρδίας προσμένειν τῷ κυρίῳ· ὅτι ἦν ἀνὴρ ἀγαθὸς καὶ πλήρης πνεύματος ἀγίου καὶ πίστεως· καὶ προσετέθη ὅχλος ἱκανὸς τῷ κυρίῳ. Ἐξῆλθεν δὲ εἰς Ταρσὸν ὁ Βαρνάβας ἀναζητῆσαι Σαῦλον, καὶ εὑρὼν ἥγαγεν αὐτὸν εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν. Ἐγένετο δὲ αὐτοὺς ἐνιαυτὸν ὅλον συναχθῆναι τῆ ἐκκλησία καὶ διδάξαι ὅχλον ἱκανόν, χρηματίσαι τε πρώτον ἐν Ἀντιοχεία τοὺς μαθητὰς Χριστιανούς. Ἐν ταύταις δὲ ταῖς ἡμέραις κατῆλθον ἀπὸ Ἱεροσολύμων προφῆται εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν. Ἀναστὰς δὲ εἶς ἐξ αὐτῶν ὀνόματι Ἅγαβος, ἐσήμανεν διὰ τοῦ πνεύματος λιμὸν μέγαν μέλλειν ἔσεσθαι ἐφ' ὅλην τὴν οἰκουμένην· ὅστις καὶ ἐγένετο ἐπὶ Κλαυδίου Καίσαρος. Τῶν δὲ μαθητῶν καθὼς εὐπορεῖτό τις, ὥρισαν ἕκαστος αὐτῶν εἰς διακονίαν πέμψαι τοῖς κατοικοῦσιν ἐν τῆ Ἰουδαία ἀδελφοῖς· ὃ καὶ ἐποίησαν, ἀποστείλαντες πρὸς τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους διὰ χειρὸς Βαρνάβα καὶ Σαύλου.

## Gospel Reading John 4:5-42

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the cityand were coming to him.

Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony. "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."

#### Ίωάννην 4:5-42

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἔρχεται ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς πόλιν τῆς Σαμαρείας λεγομένην Συχάρ, πλησίον τοῦ χωρίου ὃ ἔδωκεν Ἰακὼβ Ἰωσὴφ τῷ υἰῷ αὐτοῦ· ἦν δὲ ἐκεῖ πηγὴ τοῦ Ἰακώβ. Ὁ οὖν Ἰησοῦς κεκοπιακὼς ἐκ τῆς ὁδοιπορίας ἐκαθέζετο οὕτως ἐπὶ τῇ πηγῇ· ὥρα ἦν ὡσεὶ ἔκτη.

Έρχεται γυνὴ ἐκ τῆς Σαμαρείας ἀντλῆσαι ὕδωρ. Λέγει αὐτῆ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· δός μοι πιεῖν. Οἱ γὰρ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ἀπεληλύθεισαν εἰς τὴν πόλιν ἵνα τροφὰς ἀγοράσωσι. Λέγει οὖν αὐτῷ ἡ γυνὴ ἡ Σαμαρεῖτις· Πῶς σὰ Ἰουδαῖος ὢν παρ' ἐμοῦ πιεῖν αἰτεῖς, οὕσης γυναικὸς Σαμαρείτιδος; Οὐ γὰρ συγχρῶνται Ἰουδαῖοι Σαμαρείταις. Ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῆ· Εἰ ἤδεις τὴν δωρεὰν τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ τίς ἐστιν ὁ λέγων σοι, δός μοι πιεῖν, σὰ αν ἤτησας αὐτόν, καὶ ἔδωκεν ἄν σοι ὕδωρ ζῶν. Λέγει αὐτῷ ἡ γυνή· Κύριε, οὔτε ἄντλημα ἔχεις, καὶ τὸ φρέαρ ἐστὶ βαθύ· πόθεν οὖν ἔχεις τὸ ὕδωρ τὸ ζῶν; Μὴ σὰ μείζων εἶ τοῦ πατρὸς ἡμῶν Ἰακώβ, ὃς ἔδωκεν ἡμῖν τὸ φρέαρ, καὶ αὐτὸς ἐξ αὐτοῦ ἕπιε καὶ οἱ ιοὶ αὐτοῦ καὶ τὰ θρέμματα αὐτοῦ; Ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῆ· Πᾶς ὁ πίνων ἐκ τοῦ ὕδατος τούτου διψήσει πάλιν· ὃς δ' ὰν πίη ἐκ τοῦ ὕδατος οὖ ἐγὼ δώσω αὐτῷ, οὐ μὴ διψήση εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα, ἀλλὰ τὸ ὕδωρ ὃ δώσω αὐτῷ, γενήσεται ἐν αὐτῷ πηγὴ ὕδατος ἀλλομένου εἰς ζωὴν αἰώνιον. Λέγει πρὸς αὐτὸν ἡ γυνή· Κύριε, δός μοι τοῦτο τὸ ὕδωρ, ἵνα μὴ διψῶ μηδὲ ἔρχωμαι ἐνθάδε ἀντλεῖν.

Λέγει αὐτῆ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Ύπαγε φώνησον τὸν ἄνδρα σου καὶ ἐλθὲ ἐνθάδε. Ἀπεκρίθη ἡ γυνὴ καὶ εἶπεν· Οὐκ ἔχω ἄνδρα. Λέγει αὐτῆ ὁ Ἰησοῦς⋅ Καλῶς εἶπας ὅτι ἄνδρα οὐκ ἔχω⋅ πέντε γὰρ ἄνδρας ἔσχες, καὶ νῦν ὃν ἔχεις οὐκ ἔστι σου ἀνήρ· τοῦτο ἀληθὲς εἴρηκας. Λέγει αὐτῷ ἡ γυνή· Κύριε, θεωρῶ ὅτι προφήτης εἶ σύ. Οἱ πατέρες ἡμῶν ἐν τῶ ὄρει τούτω προσεκύνησαν⋅ καὶ ὑμεῖς λέγετε ὅτι ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις ἐστὶν ὁ τόπος ὅπου δεῖ προσκυνείν. Λέγει αὐτῆ ὸ Ἰησοῦς∙ Γύναι, πίστευσόν μοι ὅτι ἔρχεται ὥρα ὅτε οὔτε ἐν τῶ ὅρει τούτω οὔτε ἐν Ἰεροσολύμοις προσκυνήσετε τῷ πατρί. Ύμεῖς προσκυνεῖτε ὃ οὐκ οἴδατε, ἡμεῖς προσκυνοῦμεν ὃ οἴδαμεν· ὅτι ἡ σωτηρία ἐκ τῶν Ἰουδαίων ἐστίν. Άλλ' ἔρχεται ὥρα, καὶ νῦν ἐστιν, ὅτε οἱ ἀληθινοὶ προσκυνηταὶ προσκυνήσουσι τῷ πατρὶ ἐν πνεύματι καὶ ἀληθεία· καὶ γὰρ ὁ πατὴρ τοιούτους ζητεῖ τοὺς προσκυνοῦντας αὐτόν. Πνεῦμα ὁ Θεός, καὶ τοὺς προσκυνοῦντας αὐτὸν ἐν πνεύματι καὶ ἀληθεία δεῖ προσκυνεῖν. Λέγει αὐτῶ ἡ γυνή· Οἶδα ὅτι Μεσσίας ἔρχεται ὁ λεγόμενος Χριστός· ὅταν ἔλθη ἐκεῖνος, ἀναγγελεῖ ἡμῖν πάντα. λέγει αὐτῆ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Ἐγώ εἰμι ὁ λαλῶν σοι. Καὶ ἐπὶ τούτω ἦλθον οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐθαύμασαν ὅτι μετὰ γυναικὸς ἐλάλει· οὐδεὶς μέντοι εἶπε, τί ζητεῖς ἣ τί λαλεῖς μετ' αὐτῆς; Ἀφῆκεν οὖν τὴν ὑδρίαν αὐτῆς ἡ γυνὴ καὶ ἀπῆλθεν εἰς τὴν πόλιν, καὶ λέγει τοῖς ἀνθρώποις Δεῦτε ἴδετε ἄνθρωπον ὃς εἶπέ μοι πάντα ὅσα ἐποίησα· μήτι οὖτός ἐστιν ὁ Χριστός; Ἐξῆλθον οὖν ἐκ τῆς πόλεως καὶ ἤρχοντο πρὸς αὐτόν. Έν δὲ τῷ μεταξὺ ἠρώτων αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταὶ λέγοντες· Ῥαββί, φάγε. Ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Ἐγὼ βρῶσιν ἔχω φαγεῖν, ἣν ὑμεῖς οὐκ οἴδατε. Ἔλεγον οὖν οἱ μαθηταὶ πρὸς ἀλλήλους∙ Μή τις ἤνεγκεν αὐτῷ φαγεῖν; Λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς∙ Έμὸν βρῶμά ἐστιν ἵνα ποιῶ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ πέμψαντός με καὶ τελειώσω αὐτοῦ τὸ ἔργον. Οὐχ ὑμεῖς λέγετε ὅτι ἔτι τετράμηνός έστι καὶ ὁ θερισμὸς ἔρχεται; Ἰδοὺ λέγω ὑμῖν, ἐπάρατε τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς ὑμῶν καὶ θεάσασθε τὰς χώρας, ὅτι λευκαί εἰσι πρὸς θερισμὸν ἤδη. Καὶ ὁ θερίζων μισθὸν λαμβάνει καὶ συνάγει καρπὸν εἰς ζωὴν αἰώνιον, ίνα καὶ ὁ σπείρων ὁμοῦ χαίρη καὶ ὁ θερίζων. Ἐν γὰρ τούτω ὁ λόγος ἐστὶν ὁ ἀληθινός, ὅτι ἄλλος ἐστὶν ὁ σπείρων καὶ ἄλλος ὁ θερίζων. Ἐγὼ ἀπέστειλα ὑμᾶς θερίζειν ὃ οὐχ ὑμεῖς κεκοπιάκατε∙ ἄλλοι κεκοπιάκασι, καὶ ὑμεῖς εἰς τὸν κόπον αὐτῶν εἰσεληλύθατε. Ἐκ δὲ τῆς πόλεως ἐκείνης πολλοὶ ἐπίστευσαν εἰς αὐτὸν τῶν Σαμαρειτῶν διὰ τὸν λόγον τῆς γυναικός, μαρτυρούσης ὅτι εἶπέ μοι πάντα ὅσα ἐποίησα. Ὠς οὖν ἦλθον πρὸς αὐτὸν οἱ Σαμαρεῖται, ήρώτων αὐτὸν μεῖναι παρ΄ αὐτοῖς· καὶ ἔμεινεν ἐκεῖ δύο ἡμέρας. Καὶ πολλῷ πλείους ἐπίστευσαν διὰ τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ, τῆ τε γυναικὶ ἔλεγον ὅτι οὐκέτι διὰ τὴν σὴν λαλιὰν πιστεύομεν· αὐτοὶ γὰρ ἀκηκόαμεν, καὶ οἴδαμεν ὅτι οὖτός έστιν άληθῶς ὁ σωτὴρ τοῦ κόσμου ὁ Χριστός. 4

## **Helpful Information:**

Sunday Service Times: 8:15 a.m. Orthros, 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Sunday School: Meeting locations: Pre-K to 5th at the 4th acre, 6th-12th at

the 5th acre.

Fellowship Hour: Sponsored by the Parish Council men.

Dean Pappas Memorial Bookstore: Open on Sundays after Liturgy.

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 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:

- \*Complete Church Calendar: <a href="https://stkatherineaz.org/parish-calendar">https://stkatherineaz.org/parish-calendar</a>
- \*Sunday Homilies: https://stkatherineaz.org/homilies
- \*For Orthros (Matins) Text visit: AGES Digital Chant Stand
- \*Saints, Feasts, Epistle & Gospel readings: <a href="https://www.goarch.org/chapel/calendar">https://www.goarch.org/chapel/calendar</a>
- \*Livestream on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stkatherinechandler/videos
- \*Livestream on YouTube: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@stkatherinegreekorthodoxch8030/streams">https://www.youtube.com/@stkatherinegreekorthodoxch8030/streams</a>

Please silence cell phones when in church.

#### **Today we Commemorate:**

- Isidore the Martyr of Chios
- Holy Hieromartyr Therapontus
- Holy New Martyrs Mark and John

**Isidore the Martyr of Chios-**This Saint was a soldier from Alexandria. He came with the Roman fleet to Chios, where he was betrayed as a Christian to Numerian, Commander of the Fleet. Because he boldly professed himself to worship Christ as God and refused to worship any other, he was tormented and beheaded in 251, during the reign of Decius.

## Services — Week of May 14th

Sunday, May 14th 8:15 a.m. Orthros 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Fellowship Hour: Sponsored by the Parish Council. Men

Saturday, May 20th: 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers

## Mother's Day Brunch

The men of the Parish Council will be hosting a delicious Mother's Day Brunch after Liturgy this morning, Sunday, May 14th.

> Menu: Quiche, sliced ham, fresh fruit, muffin \$20.00 per person,



#### 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.

#### **Prayer Requests**

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

I Peter 4:7 Be serious and discipline yourselves in prayer. Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you.

#### Living:

- Manoli & Alyssa, for bereavement
- Dorothy, for health and healing
- John, for health and healing
- Anastasia, for healing
- Photinia, for health and healing
- Mary & Jack, for bereavement
- Apostolos for health and healing
- Peace in Ukraine, and consolation for the suffering and bereaved
- For Fr. Nicholas, the staff, and boys at St. Innocent Orphanage
- For our Sunday School Teachers and Youth Workers
- For our Catechumens and Inquirers for strength and God's grace.
- For our parishioners serving in armed services: Scott Fagerberg
- For our Seminarians: Emmanuel (Manoli) Aspiotis, Nikolas Makarios, Andrew Moreno

## Departed:

• Maggie Thomas +

## Stewardship/Giving Option

Do you know that you can now donate shares of your appreciated stock to St Katherine? Donating stock to charity can be an excellent tax planning strategy!

You may be able to enjoy two tax benefits:

- Avoid the capital gains tax you'd pay if you sold the stock -and-
- If you itemize deductions you can claim a charitable deduction equal to the stock's fair market value.

Consult your tax advisor for further information.

St Katherine will sell the donated stock and get the fair market value without paying tax since we are a registered 501(c3).

Note: St Katherine will not hold gifted stock. We will sell it immediately and deposit the cash in our bank account.

The <u>Stock Gift Transfer Form</u> can be found at: <a href="https://stkatherineaz.org/donatingstock">https://stkatherineaz.org/donatingstock</a> Please contact Glenn Thorpe if you have any questions; email: <a href="mailto:gphxaz@protonmail.com">gphxaz@protonmail.com</a>



# REAL LIFE - Parenting from the Heart Family Wellness Ministry PARENTING WORKSHOP SPRING SERIES



Connecting to the inner life of our kids

This 2-part parenting series on zoom will integrate solid psychological research and wisdom from Orthodox Christian teaching providing insightful and practical content with opportunities for interactive discussion. We will share about cultivating stable emotional connection, communication skills, parenting styles and integration of authentic faith in Christ.

<u>REGISTER TODAY</u> for our upcoming series – REAL LIFE ~ Parenting from the Heart series.

Join director, George Papageorge along side our entire Family Wellness Ministry team as we launch this anticipated parenting series "REAL LIFE" sharing intentional, practical, life-giving tools for parents.

Our Spring series (5/11 & 5/25) is entitled:

"PLEASE UNDERSTAND ME!" ~ Connecting to the inner life of our kids

Register today to receive links / information and the zoom link.

Thursday, May 11, 2023 – 6:30 pm (Pacific) Thursday, May 25, 2023 – 6:30 pm (Pacific)

# **Sunday School Graduation**

Mark your calendar!



All parishioners are invited to Sunday School Graduation after liturgy on Sunday, May 21st. We would like to give special recognition to our graduates (High School, College, Post-Grad).

<u>Parents of graduates-please send a picture and paragraph about their accomplishments and plans for the future to Maria Boritas: satirobogg@yahoo.com.</u>

## St. Irene Philoptochos News



General Meeting and Board Elections May 21st Please join us for our general meeting and board elections on Sunday, May 21st at 12:30 p.m. in the 4th acre house. This will be our last meeting before summer break.

## 2023 Membership

If you are not yet a member of Philoptochos, we invite you to join us in our philanthropic work! Dues are \$35.00 and Membership applications are available in the Narthex.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL | News

Christ Has Risen!!!

- We only have a few weeks left of our Sunday School year.
   Our Graduation is on May 21st.
- If you have a senior graduating, please email a paragraph about them and a picture to Maria Morton: <a href="mailto:sati-robo99@yahoo.com">sati-robo99@yahoo.com</a>
- Registration for All Saints
   Camp ends May 15th: <a href="http://www.allsaintscamparizona.org/">http://www.allsaintscamparizona.org/</a>
- We are beginning to plan for next year. If you are interested in teaching (either weekly, every other week or occasional substitute), please let me know.

Thank you, Maria Morton - 480-326-7921

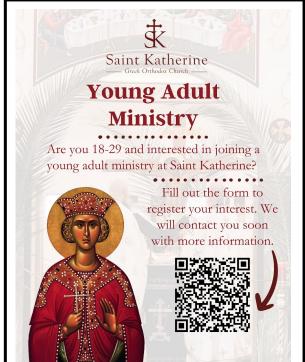
## **Journeys to Orthodoxy**

For those who have converted to Orthodoxy, I kindly request you share the account of your personal journey to Orthodoxy (b/t 500 – 800 words). Please submit a recent picture of yourself along with your narrative. We will feature one convert's story a month in an individually sent out MailChimp so others in our commu-



nity can benefit from the story of your journey. Our website will have a section titled "Journeys to Orthodox" under the "Our Faith" tab, your story will be posted there as well. Hearing about one's journey is extremely beneficial to all, both to Orthodox Christians (cradle and convert) as well as to those who are searching. If you would like to see some examples, please visit the following website, at St. John's, the parish I last served: <a href="http://stjohngoc.org/category/journeys-to-orthodoxy/">http://stjohngoc.org/category/journeys-to-orthodoxy/</a>

Once you have written a brief story of your journey please submit it to our church Administrator Marjie Thorpe at: <a href="mailto:office@st-katherine.org">office@st-katherine.org</a> as well as to our webmaster, Jerry Vasilatos at: <a href="mailto:retiredjerry@cox.net">retiredjerry@cox.net</a>



## All Saints Camp Last chance to register!

Late Registration Deadline May 15th: \$525 All Saints Summer Camp will be hosted at The Springs at UCYC in Prescott, Arizona, May 30-June 3! This annual program is available to all youth entering third grade through those who just graduated high school.

Payment plan options will be available. Click the registration link above for further registration information (i.e. camperships, sibling discounts, refunds, etc.).

For more information, visit our website at <u>allsaintscamparizona.org</u>. For questions, please contact us at: <u>in-</u>fo@allsaintscamparizona.org.

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## Women's Ministry

It's that time again! The next Womens Ministry Lunch is on:

Saturday May 20 11:30 at:

Nando's

1890 W Germann Road

Corner of Dobson and Germann in Chandler

Please RSVP to: <u>ibafrn@aol.com</u> if you're able to attend.



## **Welcome Ministry**



If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Yiota for more information: <a href="mailto:yiotasoublis@hotmail.com">yiotasoublis@hotmail.com</a>

# **Flower Ministry**

The Flower Ministry serves to beautify our Church throughout the year by adorning Icons for the Major Feast days of Christ and the Mother of God, the Feast day of St. Katherine, Great Lent, and Holy Week. If you would like to be a part of this ministry please contact Despina at: dlaloudakis@yahoo.com



## **Our Parish Family**

If you are new to our parish, would like to become a member and begin receiving News & Updates, please contact our Church office: <a href="mailto:office@st-atherineaz.org">office@st-atherineaz.org</a> 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: <a href="mailto:frtimskchurch@gmail.com">frtimskchurch@gmail.com</a>

## 2023 Stewardship Cards Available Now!



# 125 Steward Families have pledged \$289,385

Please be sure to pick up your 2023 Stewardship Commitment Card at the candle stand and prayerfully consider your pledge for the upcoming year.

## **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 stewardship, general or specific donations for any ministry. To ensure your donation is properly allocated, please make a note in

the memo indicating your wishes.

#### RECOMMENDED LEVELS OF GIVING

PERCENT OF INCOME	5%		8%		10%	
Annual Income	Annual Giving	Weekly	Annual Giving	Weekly	Annual Giving	Weekly
\$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