

**St. Katherine  
Greek Orthodox Church  
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Welcome!**



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Fr. Timothy is off on Thursdays.

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## Saints and Feasts

- **11th Sunday of Luke**
- **Spyridon the Wonderworker of Trymithous**
- **Holy New Martyr Peter the Aleut**
- **John (or Joachim), Bishop of Zichni**

### Reading:

#### **Holy New Martyr Peter the Aleut**

The holy New Martyr Peter suffered martyrdom in San Francisco at the time that California belonged to Spain. An Aleut from Alaska, he and his companions were captured in California by the Spaniards. When he refused to abandon Orthodoxy to accept Latinism, which they wished to force upon him, the Spaniards submitted him to a martyrdom like that suffered by Saint James the Persian, cutting him apart joint by joint. He died from loss of blood in steadfast confession of the Faith in 1815.

**We extend a warm welcome to all visitors worshipping with us today. We are glad you are here!  
Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the Community Center following dismissal of Liturgy**

**EPISTLE AND GOSPEL  
READINGS**

**EPISTLE READING:**

**Prokeimenon. Grave Mode.**

**Psalm 149.5,1 The saints shall rejoice in glory.**

**Verse: Sing to the Lord a new song.**

**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 βαρύς.**

**ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 149.5,1**

**Καυχῆσονται ὅσοι ἐν δόξῃ**

**Στίχ. Ἄσατε τῷ Κυρίῳ ᾄσμα καινόν.**

**Πρὸς Ἐφεσίους 5:8-19 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα**

Ἀδελφοί, ὡς τέκνα φωτὸς περιπατεῖτε - ὁ γὰρ καρπὸς τοῦ πνεύματος ἐν πάσῃ ἀγαθwsύνη καὶ δικαιοσύνη καὶ ἀληθεία - 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 φανεροῦνται· πᾶν γὰρ τὸ φανερούμενον φῶς ἐστίν. Διὸ λέγει, Ἔγειρε ὁ καθεύδων καὶ ἀνάστα ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, καὶ ἐπιφαύσει 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 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 δούλον αὐτοῦ τῇ ὥρᾳ τοῦ δείπνου 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 δούλος 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 δούλος· κύριε, γέγονεν ὡς ἐπέταξας, καὶ ἔτι τόπος ἐστί. καὶ εἶπεν ὁ κύριος πρὸς τὸν δούλον· 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 δείπνου. Πολλοὶ γὰρ εἰσιν κλητοί, ὀλίγοι δὲ ἐκλεκτοί.

## **“11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke”**

**Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>**

8:15 a.m. Orthros

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers

### **MEMORIAL SERVICE**

The Memorial Service this morning is for the 40-day memorial of Freda Krithis, the 6-year memorial of Steve Krithis and the 2-year memorial of Gregory Kotsovolos, beloved parents, and brother-in-law of Anna Parker. May their memory be eternal.

### **STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY & PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS TODAY**

The Parish Council is hosting a complimentary Lenten Stewardship Sunday Spaghetti Luncheon. Please join us!

Also, Parish Council Elections are this morning, the polls will be open for 1 hour, in the Community Center. All stewards are encouraged to vote.

### **PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS**

**St. Irene Philoptochos 2022 membership-** The season of giving is here. To gift a membership, see the link in the Weekly Update or contact Nicolette Wright.

### **NEW MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

We are looking for volunteers willing to commit to serving in two newly forming ministries:

- Welcoming Ministry
- Flower Ministry

We plan to implement these ministries at the start of the New Year. There is no cost to participate. For more information or to volunteer please contact the Church office.

### **FR. TIMOTHY OUT OF THE OFFICE**

Fr. Timothy will be out of the office and unavailable from December 7<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>. If a priest is needed during that time, please contact the office or a Parish Council member. Voicemail will be checked even when the office is closed.

### **SENIOR GOYA CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Monday, December 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-8:00 PM

At the Gonzales' Home, 3982 W. Rene Dr.

Chandler, AZ 85226. We will have food, a \$10 gift exchange, and a talk with Father Timothy.

Please contact Athena Gonzales to RSVP:480-584-9831 or [athenacontes@hotmail.com](mailto:athenacontes@hotmail.com)

### **ST. KATHERINE DANCE PRACTICE**

Please meet in front of the stage right after Sunday School is over.

### **“BASICS IN ORTHODOXY” CATECHISM CLASSES**

Class is on recess until Tuesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP**

Mondays, 5:30-7:00 p.m. For more information and to register: <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/140309>

### **EIGHT DATES**

The next session of “Essential Conversations for a Lifetime of Love” Zoom series will be on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. For information:

[www.familywellnessministry.org/eight-dates](http://www.familywellnessministry.org/eight-dates)

### **SAVE THE DATE**

- **February 5<sup>th</sup>** – Celebration of Gratitude & Love Dinner to honor Fr. Phil and to welcome Fr. Timothy.
- **March 5, 2022**-The Arizona Hellenic Foundation is hosting its 4th annual Apokreatiko dinner/dance!

### **CONFESSION TIMES:**

- Saturdays from 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. (before Vespers)
- After the Great Censing in Vespers (please wait in the pews closest to the South door in the Nave)
- By appointment