

Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



**October 2, 2022
2nd Sunday of Luke**

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

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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- Grave Tone

By means of Your Cross, O Lord, You abolished death. To the robber You opened Paradise. The lamentation of the myrrh-bearing women You transformed, and You gave Your Apostles the order to proclaim to all that You had risen, O Christ our God, and granted the world Your great mercy.

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον, ἠνέωξας τῷ Ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον, τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρήνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Apolytikion for the Hieromartyr

Becoming a partner with the Apostles in way of life and successor to their thrones, O God-inspired Saint, in the active life you found an entrance to contemplation. Hence you rightly expounded the word of truth, and you shed your blood in struggling for the faith, O Hieromartyr Cyprian. Intercede with Christ our God, beseeching Him to save our souls.

Καὶ τρόπον μέτοχος, καὶ θρόνων διάδοχος, τῶν Ἀποστόλων γενόμενος, τὴν πρᾶξιν εὗρες Θεόπνευστε, εἰς θεωρίας ἐπίβασιν· διὰ τοῦτο τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας ὀρθοτομῶν, καὶ τῇ πίστει ἐνήθλησας μέχρις αἵματος, Ἱερομάρτυς Κυπριανέ, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

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 θείαν καὶ πολιοῦχον Σινᾶ, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν, ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κομψοὺς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τῇ μαχαίρᾳ, καὶ νῦν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται ᾗσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Kontakion- Protection of Christians

A protection of Christians unshamable, Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering. Please reject not the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us for you are good; Your loving help bring unto us, who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, as a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε. Μὴ παρίδης ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἢ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

Epistle Reading

Corinthians 6:1-10

Brethren, working together with him, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no

Epistle Reading continued:

obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Πρὸς Κορινθίους β' 6:1-10 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, συνεργοῦντες δὲ καὶ παρακαλοῦμεν μὴ εἰς κενὸν τὴν χάριν τοῦ θεοῦ δέξασθαι ὑμᾶς - λέγει γάρ, Καιρῷ δεκτῷ ἐπήκουσά σου, καὶ ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σωτηρίας ἐβοήθησά σοι· ἰδοῦ, νῦν καιρὸς εὐπρόσδεκτος, ἰδοῦ, νῦν ἡμέρα σωτηρίας - μηδεμίαν ἐν μηδενὶ διδόντες προσκοπήν, ἵνα μὴ μωμηθῇ ἡ διακονία· ἀλλ' ἐν παντὶ συνιστῶντες ἑαυτοὺς ὡς θεοῦ διάκονοι, ἐν ὑπομονῇ πολλῇ, ἐν θλίψεσιν, ἐν ἀνάγκαις, ἐν στενοχωρίαις, ἐν πληγαῖς, ἐν φυλακαῖς, ἐν ἀκαταστασίαις, ἐν κόποις, ἐν ἀγρυπνίαις, ἐν νηστείαις, ἐν ἀγνότητι, ἐν γνώσει, ἐν μακροθυμίᾳ, ἐν χρηστότητι, ἐν πνεύματι ἀγίῳ, ἐν ἀγάπῃ ἀνυποκρίτῳ, ἐν λόγῳ ἀληθείας, ἐν δυνάμει θεοῦ, διὰ τῶν ὄπλων τῆς δικαιοσύνης τῶν δεξιῶν καὶ ἀριστερῶν, διὰ δόξης καὶ ἀτιμίας, διὰ δυσφημίας καὶ εὐφημίας· ὡς πλάνοι καὶ ἀληθεῖς· ὡς ἀγνοοῦμενοι, καὶ ἐπιγινωσκόμενοι· ὡς ἀποθνήσκοντες, καὶ ἰδοῦ, ζῶμεν· ὡς παιδευόμενοι, καὶ μὴ θανατούμενοι· ὡς λυπούμενοι, αἰεὶ δὲ χαίροντες· ὡς πτωχοί, πολλοὺς δὲ πλουτίζοντες· ὡς μηδὲν ἔχοντες, καὶ πάντα κατέχοντες.

Gospel Reading

Luke 6:31-36

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

Λουκᾶν 6:31-36

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· καθὼς θέλετε ἵνα ποιῶσιν ὑμῖν οἱ ἄνθρωποι, ποιεῖτε αὐτοῖς ὁμοίως. καὶ εἰ ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας αὐτοὺς ἀγαπῶσι. καὶ ἐὰν ἀγαθοποιήτε τοὺς ἀγαθοποιοῦντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τὸ αὐτὸ ποιοῦσι. καὶ ἐὰν δανειζήτε παρ' ὧν ἐλπίζετε ἀπολαβεῖν, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ ἁμαρτωλοὶ ἁμαρτωλοῖς δανερίζουσιν ἵνα ἀπολάβωσι τὰ ἴσα. πλὴν ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἐχθροὺς ὑμῶν καὶ ἀγαθοποιεῖτε καὶ δανερίζετε μηδὲν ἀπελπίζοντες, καὶ ἔσται ὁ μισθὸς ὑμῶν πολὺς, καὶ ἔσεσθε υἱοὶ ὑψίστου, ὅτι αὐτὸς χρηστός ἐστιν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀχαρίστους καὶ πονηροὺς. Γίνεσθε οὖν οἰκτίρμονες, καθὼς καὶ ὁ πατὴρ ὑμῶν οἰκτίρμων ἐστί.

Saints of the Day

- The Holy Hieromartyr Cyprian and the Virgin Martyr Justina
- Theophilus the Confessor

Saint Justina who was from Damascus, lived in virginity for the sake of Christ. Saint Cyprian, who was from Antioch, began as an initiate of magic and worshipper of the demons. A certain foolish young man who had been smitten with Justina's beauty hired Cyprian to draw her to love him; when Cyprian had wed every demonic device he knew, and had failed, being repulsed by the power of Christ Whom Justina invoked, he understood the weakness of the demons and came to know the truth. Delivered from demonic delusion, he came to Christ and burned all his books of magic, was baptized, and later ascended the episcopal throne in his country. Later, he and Justina were arrested by the Count of Damascus, and having endured many torments at his hands, they were sent finally to Diocletian in Nicomedia, where they were beheaded about the year 304.

Service Schedule—Week of October 2nd

Sun., October 2nd: 8:15 a.m. Orthros, 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Memorial Service: John Selles- 1 year, Cynthia Dandelles-2 years

Please note: No Great Vespers on Sat. October 8th

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 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

Helpful Information:

Sunday School: 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

After class students will be dismissed and instructed to return to their parents in the Community Center.

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 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.



Holy Trinity's 61st Annual Greek Festival

October 7-9, 2022 For more information: Phoenixgreekfestival.org



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**)
- **December 11th:** Stewardship Sunday

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: Orthodox Spirituality I
13th: Orthodox Spirituality II
20th: Icons & Architecture

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 which began on September 22 will also continue via Zoom on Thursday evenings.

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



Attention Parents!

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

<https://greeksonline.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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MILESTONES & MANY YEARS !

Congratulations to Fr. Timothy who celebrated 27 years of Ordination to the Priesthood on September 24th! Many years and prayers for God's most gracious blessings!



To have your special occasion included in our publications, 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

General Meeting - Sunday, October 2nd at 12:00pm in the Sunday School house. Please join us!



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.

Living:

- Sally Ann, Health & healing
 - Charline Hardin, Health and healing
 - Cherie & Katie Ladas, Health and healing
 - Christiana, James, Sophia, Anastasia, Katherine & Alexander
 - 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
 - For our Catechumens and Inquirers
 - For our parishioners serving in armed services: Scott Fagerberg (at Davis - Monthon AFB)
- For our Seminarians: Emmanuel (Manoli) Aspiotis & Nikolas Makarios

Departed:

- Nicholas Vasilatos +

Opportunities for Involvement!

Prosforo Bakers Needed!

Prosforo (offering bread) is used for the service of the Divine Liturgy. If you like baking and would like to serve the church in this way, as your offering (stewardship) of time and talent, we would love your help. If you do not know how to bake prosforo we will show you. This is a beautiful and prayerful ministry of the church. If you are interested, please contact the Church Office by email or a phone call and give us your name and contact information. Also, please let us know if you want us to show you how to make the offering bread!

Men's Ministry!

As we continue to grow our ministries at St. Katherine's we want to take the next step and start a Men's Ministry. We will need someone as a Team lead, and others to work with him to start developing this ministry's goals, mission and vision, etc. If you are interested in being part of starting a men's ministry, and/or would simply like to participate in it please contact the Church Office by email or a phone call and give us your name and contact information. Fr. Timothy will be working directly with this ministry and help in its development.

Young Adult Fall Retreat

TOPIC: "Mind, Body, and Soul: Our Journey to Wellness"

DATE: November 4-6, 2022

AGES: Open to all Orthodox Young Adults, ages 18-30's

LOCATION: St. Nicholas Ranch & Retreat Center

October 22: Deadline for Early Registration Discount

For details click: <https://gosfyouth.org/young-adult-fall-retreat>



8 Dates Series Returns!

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco **Family Wellness Ministry** and the Office of **Youth and Young Adult** Ministries invites all married/engaged couples to participate in the upcoming **Eight Dates** Marriage program. This powerful relationship series presented for the third time is based on the book *Eight Dates* by Drs. John and Julie Gottman. Topics addressed including Conflict; Work and Money, Intimacy, Family, Spirituality, and much more. Any couple who wants to improve their communication and connection can benefit from this lively and evidence based program. Please register by October 8th as sessions begin Thursday, October 13th at 6:30 pm <http://www.familywellnessministry.org/eight-dates>



St. Katherine 40th Anniversary Celebration Update

As we approach our Anniversary Celebration see below information and deadlines for ads, silent auction, and ticket sales.

Deadline for ads and In Memoriam pages is this **Sunday October 2nd**. Please see Niki Pallas after church or email her with questions, if you need an ad form, or with your final ad. elpinikiaz@gmail.com

Deadline for Ticket purchases is Sunday October 9th. You can buy your tickets in the Community Center after church or go online to: www.stkatherineaz.org , go to online donations, there is a link to buy tickets.

Deadline for Silent Auction donations is Sunday October 2nd. We have collected quite a few items and hope to get a few more. If you do not want to donate an item but still want to help, cash donations are always welcome. Items can be dropped off on Sunday after church in the Community Center or brought to the office during business hours.

We look forward to seeing you at the dinner and please contact me directly if you have any additional questions.

Chairman – Mary Bowen
marybsells@gmail.com



The poster features a decorative border of white flowers and green leaves. The main text is in gold and black. At the bottom right is a golden icon of St. Katherine holding a sword.

St. Katherine
Greek Orthodox Church
40 Year Anniversary Gala
with His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos

Celebrating Forty Years of Orthodoxy in the East Valley

Saturday, October 15, 2022
Tickets \$100
COCKTAILS | 6 PM
DINNER & DANCING | 7 PM
COCKTAIL ATTIRE
STKATHERINEAZ.ORG
2716 NORTH DOBSON ROAD
CHANDLER, ARIZONA 85224
(480) 899-3330

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

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

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

To date we have received 142 pledges totaling \$274,571.

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 Church. (Fr. Timothy)

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 stewardship, general or specific donations for any ministry. To ensure your donation is allocated properly, please make a note in the memo indicating your wishes.

