# Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



October 16, 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-Tone 1**

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. For this reason were the powers of heaven crying out to You, O Life-giver: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ; glory to Your kingdom; glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind.

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα, άνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμω τὴν ζωήν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν έβόων σοι Ζωοδότα: Δόξα τῆ ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῆ Βασιλεία σου, δόξα τῆ οἰκονομία σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

## **Apolytikion for the Fathers**

Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our God. You established the holy Fathers upon the earth as beacons, and through them You have guided us all to the true Faith, O greatly merciful One, glory be to You.

Ύπερδεδοξασμένος εἶ. Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ φωστῆρας ἐπὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας ἡμῶν θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς ὁδηγήσας πολυεύσπλαγχνε, δόξα σοι.

# 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 - 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 άμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι. Τάχυνον είς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

#### Epistle Reading Titus 3:8-15

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful.

All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

#### Πρὸς Τίτον 3:8-15 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Τέκνον Τίτε, πιστὸς ὁ λόγος, καὶ περὶ τούτων βούλομαί σε διαβεβαιοῦσθαι, ἵνα φροντίζωσιν καλῶν ἔργων προΐστασθαι οἱ πεπιστευκότες θεῷ. ταῦτά ἐστιν καλὰ καὶ ὡφέλιμα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις ΄ μωρὰς δὲ ζητήσεις καὶ γενεαλογίας καὶ ἔριν καὶ μάχας νομικὰς περιΐστασο, εἰσὶν γὰρ ἀνωφελεῖς καὶ μάταιοι. αιῥετικὸν ἄνθρωπον μετὰ μίαν καὶ δευτέραν νουθεσίαν παραιτοῦ, εἰδὼς ὅτι ἐξέστραπται ὁ τοιοῦτος καὶ ἀμαρτάνει, ὢν αὐτοκατάκριτος. Ὅταν πέμψω Ἀρτεμᾶν πρὸς σὲ ἢ Τυχικόν, σπούδασον ἐλθεῖν πρός με εἰς Νικόπολιν, ἐκεῖ γὰρ κέκρικα παραχειμάσαι. Ζηνᾶν τὸν νομικὸν καὶ Ἀπολλῶν σπουδαίως πρόπεμψον, ἵνα μηδὲν αὐτοῖς λείπῃ. μανθανέτωσαν δὲ καὶ οἱ ἡμέτεροι καλῶν ἕργων προΐστασθαι εἰς τὰς ἀναγκαίας χρείας, ἵνα μὴ ὦσιν ἄκαρποι. Ἀσπάζονταί σε οἱ μετ ἐμοῦ πάντες. Ἄσπασαι τοὺς φιλοῦντας ἡμᾶς ἐν πίστει. ἡ χάρις μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν.

# Gospel Reading

#### Luke 8:5-15

The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

#### Gospel Reading Continued: Λουκᾶν 8:5-15

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τήν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ἐξῆλθεν ὁ σπείρων τοῦ σπεῖραι τὸν σπόρον αὐτοῦ. καὶ ἐν τῷ σπείρειν αὐτὸν ὁ μἐν ἔπεσε παρὰ τὴν ὁδόν, καὶ κατεπατήθη, καὶ τὰ πετεινὰ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ κατέφαγεν αὐτό· καὶ ἕτερον ἕπεσεν ἐπὶ τὴν πέτραν, καὶ φυὲν ἑξηράνθη διὰ τὸ μὴ ἔχειν ἰκμάδα· καὶ ἕτερον ἔπεσεν ἐν μέσῳ τῶν ἀκανθῶν, καὶ συμφυεῖσαι αἱ ἄκανθαι ἀπέπνιξαν αὐτό. καὶ ἕτερον ἔπεσεν εἰς τὴν γῆν τὴν ἀγαθήν, καὶ φυὲν ἐποίησε καρπὸν κατονταπλασίονα. ταῦτα λέγων ἐφώνει· ὁ ἔχων ὦτα ἀκούειν ἀκουέτω. Ἐπηρώτων δὲ αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ λέγοντες· τίς εἴη ἡ παραβολὴ αὕτη; ὁ δὲ εἶπεν· ὑμῖν δἑδοται γνῶναι τὰ μυστήρια τῆς βασιλείας τοῦ Θεοῦ, τοῖς δὲ λοιποῖς ἐν παραβολαῖς, ἵνα βλέποντες μὴ βλέπωσι καὶ ἀκούοντες μὴ συνιῶσιν. ἔστι δὲ αὕτὴ ἡ παραβολή· ὁ σπόρος ἐστὶν ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ· οἱ δὲ παρὰ τὴν ὁδόν εἰσιν οἱ ἀκούσαντες, εἶτα ἔρχεται ὁ διάβολος καὶ αἴρει τὸν λόγον ἀπὸ τῆς καρδίας αὐτῶν, ἵνα μὴ πιστεύσαντες σωθῶσιν. οἱ δὲ ἐπὶ τῆς πέτρας οἱ ὅταν ἀκούσωσι, μετὰ χαρᾶς δέχονται τὸν λόγον, καὶ οὗτοι ῥίζαν οὐκ ἔχουσιν, οἱ πρὸς καιρὸν πιστεύουσι καὶ ἐν καιρῷ πειρασμοῦ ἀφίστανται. τὸ δὲ εἰς τὰς ἀκάνθας πεσόν, οὖτοί εἰσιν οἱ ἀκούσαντες, καὶ ὑπὸ μεριμνῶν καὶ πλούτου καὶ ἡδονῶν τοῦ βίου πορευόμενοι συμπνίγονται καὶ οὐ τελεσφοροῦσι. τὸ δὲ ἐν τῆ καλῆ γῆ, οὖτοί εἰσιν οἴτινες ἐν καρδία καλῆ ἀκούσαντες τὸν λόγον κατέχουσι καὶ καρποφοροῦσιν ἐν ὑπομονῆ. ταῦτα ἀκούνει· ὁ ἔχων ὦτα ἀκούειν ἀκουέτω.

## Saints of the Day

- Longinus the Centurion
- The Two Soldiers martyred with Saint Longinus

**Longinus the Centurion**-This Martyr was in the service of Pontius Pilate at the time of Christ our Saviour's Passion. While standing guard at the Cross and beholding the earthquake and all that came to pass, he cried out with fear, "Truly this was the Son of God" (Matt. 27:54). After the Resurrection, he forsook the military and departed for Cappadocia, his homeland, where he preached Christ. By the agency of Pontius Pilate, Tiberius Caesar had him arrested and beheaded.

## Service Schedule—Week of October 16th

Sun., October 16th: 8:15 a.m. Orthros, 9:30 a.m. Hierarchical Divine Liturgy Memorial Service: for the Founders of St. Katherine's
Artoklasia: for the Well-being of the Parish
With the blessing of His Eminence 7 boys will be tonsured this morning.
Sat., October 22nd: 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers

# Welcome Your Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos and Your Grace Bishop Ioannis

We warmly welcome our beloved Spiritual Father, His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco, along with His Grace Bishop Ioannis, Chancellor of the Metropolis. It is such a blessing to have Your Eminence with us as we celebrate the 40th Anniversary of our parish, and to celebrate the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy. May God grant you many years!



## 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: <u>office@st-katherineaz.org</u> 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: <u>frtimskchurch@gmail.com</u>

# Helpful Information:

Sunday School: There will be no Sunday School today

**Fellowship Hour:** Please join us for fellowship following the Divine Liturgy to greet His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos and His Grace Bishop Ioannis. Fellowship Hour is being hosted by the Parish Council today.

Dean Pappas Memorial Bookstore: Open today 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:**

\*Sunday Homilies: <u>https://stkatherineaz.org/homilies</u> \*For Orthros (Matins) Text visit: <u>AGES Digital Chant Stand</u> \*Saints, Feasts, Epistle & Gospel readings: <u>https://www.goarch.org/chapel/</u> <u>calendar</u>



Please silence cell phones when in church.

#### Upcoming Events/Save the Date

- October 20th-Hrisi Parea Fall Social, Community Center, 11:00am
- November 4th& 5th-St. Katherine/St Irene Philoptochos Rummage Sale 7:00am-1:00pm
- November 13th: Fall General Assembly
- December 11th: Stewardship Sunday & Parish Council Elections

# **Orthodox Catechism Classes**



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

October 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

The Beginner and Intermediate classes have already begun, but there is still time to join!

Both classes are held via Zoom. The Intermediate class on Thursdays, and Beginner class on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 pm. Class fees are \$75 monthly. Purchase of a textbook and workbook. Is required

To register or for more information, contact Marina Ambus at: <u>marinaambus@gmail.com</u>



## **Attention Parents!**

For a variety of online children's Greek language classes please visit: <u>https://greekschoolonline.org/children-classes/</u>

#### **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:

- •Anco Blazev, recovering from Covid
- •Scott & Sandra, relocating to Virginia and health
- •Sally Ann, Health & healing
- •Charline Hardin, Health and healing
- •Cherie & Katie Ladas, 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 +
- •Irini Papadopoulos, 1 year +
- •Aristomenis Papadopoulos, annual +

#### **MILESTONES & MANY YEARS !**

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.

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**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!

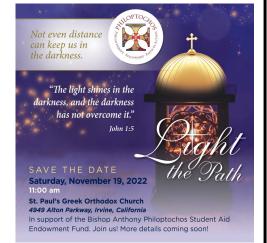
As we continue to grow our ministries at St. Katherine's we want to take the next step and start a Men's Ministry. We will need someone as a Team lead, and others to work with him to start developing this ministry's goals, mission and vision, etc. If you are interested in being part of starting a men's 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.

# St. Irene Philoptochos News

**Light the Path** <u>Save the Date!</u> Online & in person

Saturday, November 19th at 11:00am at St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Irvine, CA

In support of the Bishop Anthony Philoptochos Student Aid Endowment Fund. More details coming soon!



## Hrisi Parea Seniors

October Fall Social-Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> 11:00am – 2:00pm Please join us for Fun, Fellowship, a delicious Lunch, Games & Prizes Stuffed Pepper Casserole, Greek Salad, Crusty Bread, Dessert & Beverages—\$5.00 Donation

St. Katherine Community Center 2716 N Dobson Road Chandler, 85224 To RSVP text: Daryl Connell - 602-315-3159 New Members are always welcome



#### 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 wanting to improve their communication and connection can benefit from this lively and evidence based program. Please register by October 8<sup>th</sup> as sessions begin Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

http://www.familywellnessministry.org/eight-dates

# 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

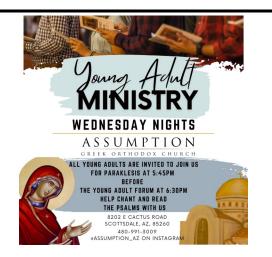


October 22: Deadline for Early Registration Discount For details click: <u>https://gosfyouth.org/young-adult-fall-retreat</u>

## Young Adult Ministry

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church invites all young adults Paraklesis at 5:45 pm and a potluck & discussion at 6:30pm Wednesday evenings.

For more information contact George Miller at 480-991-3009



## Welcome Ministry



If you are interested in being a part of this ministry please contact Yiota for more information:

yiotasoublis@hotmail.com

# **Flower Ministry**

The Flower Ministry at St. Katherine serves to beautify our Church at

different times throughout the year by decorating Icons for Major Feast days of Christ and the



Theotokos, the Feast day of St. Katherine, Great Lent, and Holy Week. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry please contact Despina: <u>deslaloudakis@yahoo.com</u>

#### Women's Ministry

Just a reminder that the Women's Ministry gathers every other month (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month) for food, fellowship and fun. Our next luncheon will be Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 – location TBD. For more information, contact Athena Vasilatos at (480) 242-6658.



#### 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)

PERCENT OF INCOME Annual Income	5%		8%		10%	
	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

#### **RECOMMENDED LEVELS OF GIVING**

"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.

