St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church Weekly Bulletin November 21, 2021 Welcome!



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Saints and Feasts

The Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

Reading

According to the tradition of the Church, the Theotokos was brought to the Temple at three years of age, where she was consecrated to God and spent her days until she was fourteen or fifteen years old; and then, as a mature maiden, by the common counsel of the priests (since her parents had reposed some three years before), she was betrothed to Joseph.

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

Apolytikion & Kontakion Hymns November 21st, 2021

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal of the First Tone

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 ηὐδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Apolytikion for the Feast

Today is the prelude of God's good pleasure, and the proclamation of humanity's salvation. In the temple of God, the Virgin is presented openly, and in herself she announces Christ to all. Let us, then, with a great voice cry aloud to her: "Rejoice, you are the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation."

Σήμερον τῆς εὐδοκίας Θεοῦ τὸ προοίμιον, καὶ τῆς τῶν ἀνθρώπων σωτηρίας ἡ προκήρυξις. Ἐν Ναῷ τοῦ Θεοῦ τρανῶς ἡ Παρθένος δείκνυται, καὶ τὸν Χριστὸν τοῖς πᾶσι προκαταγγέλλεται. Αὐτῆ καὶ

ήμεῖς μεγαλοφώνως βοήσωμεν Χαῖρε τῆς οἰκονομίας τοῦ Κτίστου ἡ ἐκπλήρωσις.

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 τῇ μαχαίρα, καὶ νῦν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πᾶσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Kontakion

The Savior's most pure and immaculate temple, the very precious bridal chamber and Virgin, who is the sacred treasure of the glory

of God, on this day is introduced into the House of the Lord, and with herself she brings the grace in the divine Spirit. She is extolled by the Angels of God. A heavenly tabernacle is she.

Ο καθαρώτατος ναὸς τοῦ Σωτῆρος, ἡ πολυτίμητος παστὰς καὶ Παρθένος, τὸ ἱερὸν θησαύρισμα τῆς δόξης τοῦ Θεοῦ, σήμερον

εἰσάγεται, ἐν τῷ οἴκῷ Κυρίου, τὴν χάριν συνεισάγουσα, τὴν ἐν νεύματι Θείῷ ἡν ἀνυμνοῦσιν Ἅγγελοι Θεοῦ· Αὕτη ὑπάρχει

σκηνη έπουράνιος.

EPISTLE AND GOSPEL READINGS

EPISTLE READING:

Prokeimenon. Mode 3.

Luke 1: 46-48

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Verse: For he has regarded the humility of his servant.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7

BRETHREN, the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was prepared, the outer one, in which were the lampstand and the table and the bread of the Presence; it is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain stood a tent called the Holy of Holies, having the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides with gold, which contained a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. These preparations having thus been made, the priests go continually into the outer tent, performing their ritual duties; but into the second only the high priest goes, and he but once a year, and not without taking blood which he offers for himself and for the errors of the people.

Προκείμενον. Ήχος γ'.

Λουκάν 1:46-48

Μεγαλύνει ή ψυχή μου τὸν Κύριον, καὶ ἠγαλλίασε τὸ πνεῦμά μου ἐπὶ τῷ Θεῷ τῷ σωτῆρί μου.

Στίχ. Ότι ἐπέβλεψεν ἐπὶ τὴν ταπείνωσιν τῆς δούλης αὐτοῦ.

Πρός Έβραίους 9:1-7 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Αδελφοί, εἶχεν ἡ πρώτη σκηνὴ δικαιώματα λατρείας, τό τε ἄγιον κοσμικόν. Σκηνὴ γὰρ κατεσκευάσθη ἡ πρώτη, ἐν ἦ ἥ τε λυχνία καὶ ἡ τράπεζα καὶ ἡ πρόθεσις τῶν ἄρτων, ἥτις λέγεται ἄγια. Μετὰ δὲ τὸ δεύτερον καταπέτασμα σκηνὴ ἡ λεγομένη ἄγια ἀγίων, χρυσοῦν ἔχουσα θυμιατήριον, καὶ τὴν κιβωτὸν τῆς διαθήκης περικεκαλυμμένην πάντοθεν χρυσίῳ, ἐν ἦ στάμνος χρυσῆ ἔχουσα τὸ μάννα, καὶ ἡ ῥάβδος Ἀαρὼν ἡ βλαστήσασα, καὶ αὶ πλάκες τῆς διαθήκης· ὑπεράνω δὲ αὐτῆς Χερουβὶμ δόξης κατασκιάζοντα τὸ ἰλαστήριον· περὶ ὧν οὐκ ἔστιν νῦν λέγειν κατὰ μέρος. Τούτων δὲ οὕτως κατεσκευασμένων, εἰς μὲν τὴν πρώτην σκηνὴν διὰ παντὸς εἰσίασιν οἱ ἱερεῖς, τὰς λατρείας ἐπιτελοῦντες· εἰς δὲ τὴν δευτέραν ἄπαξ τοῦ ἐνιαυτοῦ μόνος ὁ ἀρχιερεύς, οὐ χωρὶς αἵματος, ὃ προσφέρει ὑπὲρ ἑαυτοῦ καὶ τῶν τοῦ λαοῦ ἀγνοημάτων·

GOSPEL READING:

The Gospel According to Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28

At that time, Jesus entered a village; and a woman called Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve you alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Έκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 10:38-42, 11:27-28 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, εἰσῆλθεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς κώμην τινά γυνὴ δέ τις ὀνόματι Μάρθα ὑπεδέξατο αὐτὸν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτῆς. καὶ τῆδε ἦν ἀδελφὴ καλουμένη Μαρία, ἣ καὶ παρακαθίσασα παρὰ τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ ἤκουε τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ. ἡ δὲ Μάρθα περιεσπᾶτο περὶ πολλὴν διακονίαν ἐπιστᾶσα δὲ εἶπε· Κύριε, οὐ μέλει σοι ὅτι ἡ ἀδελφή μου μόνην με κατέλιπε διακονεῖν; εἰπὲ οὖν αὐτῆ ἵνα μοι συναντιλάβηται. ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ εἶπεν αὐτῆ ὁ Ἰησοῦς Μάρθα Μάρθα, μεριμνᾶς καὶ τυρβάζῃ περὶ πολλά ἐνὸς δὲ ἐστι χρεία· Μαρία δὲ τὴν ἀγαθὴν μερίδα ἐξελέξατο, ἥτις οὐκ ἀφαιρεθήσεται ἀπ' αὐτῆς. Ἐγένετο δὲ ἐν τῷ λέγειν αὐτὸν ταῦτα ἐπάρασά τις γυνὴ φωνὴν ἐκ τοῦ ὅχλου εἶπεν αὐτῷ· μακαρία ἡ κοιλία ἡ βαστάσασά σε καὶ μαστοὶ οῦς ἐθήλασας. αὐτὸς δὲ εἶπε· μενοῦνγε μακάριοι οἱ ἀκούοντες τὸν λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ καὶ φυλάσσοντες αὐτόν.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service this morning is for the 40-day memorial of John Selles beloved husband of Anna Selles. May his memory be eternal.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Fellowship Hour this morning is sponsored by the Parish Council.

BOOKSTORE OPEN TODAY

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Parish Council Elections will be held on Sunday, December 12th. There are 5 positions to be filled. Eligible stewards are encouraged to apply to serve in this important ministry of the church. Applications are available at the candle stand and in the office.

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Wednesday, November 24th at 6:00 p.m. there will be a Great Vesper Service for St. Katherine followed by a reception hosted by the Ladies of St. Irene Philoptochos. Please join us in the Community Center after the service for fellowship and light refreshments.

2021 Ornament Exchange registration deadline is Dec. 3rd. For link see Weekly Update.

St. Irene Philoptochos 2022 membership- The season of giving is here. To gift a membership, 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

Please contact the Church office to express interest or for more information.

ST. KATHERINE DANCE PRACTICE

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

ST. KATHERINE YAL

Join the St. Katherine Young Adult League! For more information, please email Alexa Wilder at StKatherineYAL@gmail.com.

"BASICS IN ORTHODOXY" CATECHISM CLASSES

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:15 p.m. in the Church. Inquirers, Catechumens and Orthodox Christians who want to learn more about the Orthodox Faith are welcome. To register: https://stkatherineaz.org/

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. 2nd. For information: www.familywellnessministry.org/eight-dates

ADULT GREEK LANGUAGE CLASSES

Classes for 2021-2022 have begun and will run through June. For information contact Marina Ambus: marinaambus@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE

- **December 5th** Stewardship Sunday
- **December 12th** Parish Council Election
- $\bullet \quad \ \ \textbf{February 5}^{th} \text{Celebration of Gratitude \& Love Dinner to honor Fr. Phil and to welcome Fr. Timothy.}$
- 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