

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2017

### THIRD SUNDAY OF LUKE

**EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY:** This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the Second Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians, Chapter 9, Verses 6-11. It is found in our books on page 117.

**Ὁ Απόστολος:** Πρὸς Κορινθίους Δευτέρως Ἐπιστολῆς Παύλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 9, ἐδάφ. 6-11: Ἀδελφοί, ὁ σπειρῶν φειδομένως, φειδομένως καὶ θερίσει· καὶ ὁ σπειρῶν ἐπ' εὐλογίας, ἐπ' εὐλογίας καὶ θερίσει. Ἐκαστος καθὼς προαιρεῖται τῇ καρδίᾳ· μὴ ἐκ λύπης ἢ ἐξ ἀνάγκης· ἰλαρὸν γὰρ δότην ἀγαπᾷ ὁ θεός. Δυνατὸς δὲ ὁ θεὸς πᾶσαν χάριν περισσεύσαι εἰς ὑμᾶς, ἵνα ἐν παντὶ πάντοτε πᾶσαν ἀντάρκειαν ἔχοντες περισσεύητε εἰς πᾶν ἔργον ἀγαθόν· καθὼς γέγραπται, Ἐσκόρπισεν, ἔδωκεν τοῖς πένησιν· ἡ δικαιοσύνη αὐτοῦ μένει εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα. Ὁ δὲ ἐπιχορηγῶν σπέρμα τῷ σπειρόντι, καὶ ἄρτον εἰς βρῶσιν χορηγῆσαι, καὶ πληθύναι τὸν σπόρον ὑμῶν, καὶ αὐξήσαι τὰ γενήματα τῆς δικαιοσύνης ὑμῶν· ἐν παντὶ πλουτιζόμενοι εἰς πᾶσαν ἀπλότητα, ἥτις κατεργάζεται δι' ἡμῶν εὐχαριστίαν τῷ θεῷ.

**GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY:** This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, Chapter 7, Verses 11-16. It is found in our books on page 243.

**Ἡ σημερινὴ εὐαγγελικὴ περικοπὴ ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Λοῦκᾶν, κεφ. 7, ἐδάφ. 11-16. Εὐρίσκεται εἰς τὰ βιβλία μας, σελ. 242.**

**Today's *Apolytikon* (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone One:**

The stone that had been sealed before your tomb by the Jews, and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred Body, O Savior, the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life. Whereby all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life. Glory unto our resurrected Christ, glory unto your Kingdom, glory to your Dispensation, O You who alone love mankind.

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντον σου Σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτὴρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι, Ζωοδότα· Δόξα τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου, Χριστέ· δόξα τῇ Βασιλείᾳ σου· δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER IN SPANISH:** Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre, venga tu Reino, hágase tu voluntad en la tierra como en el cielo; danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día; perdona nuestras deudas así como nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores; no nos dejes caer en la tentación, y líbranos del Mal.

**INTRODUCTION TO ORTHODOXY:** (*Sundays, 9.a.m., upstairs*). This class is especially intended for those who are thinking about converting to Orthodoxy and for family members and friends who would like to support them on their journey, but it is also open to people who are already Orthodox and who would like to deepen their understanding of their faith. We explore Christian theology and practice through reading selections of Scripture, the Church Fathers, the lives of the Saints, and other texts representative of the Orthodox worldview. These readings are the starting point for our discussions, which aim at clarifying doctrine and worship and helping us to discover (or rediscover), week after week, why we belong in the Church. If you are interested in attending the class, please contact **Alexandros Kozák** at [orthodoxy-agkozak@sneakemail.com](mailto:orthodoxy-agkozak@sneakemail.com). **Note:** The Introduction to Orthodoxy class is now being offered two Sundays a month (rather than every Sunday). For October, the class will meet again on Sunday, October 22.

### IGNATIUS THE NEW MARTYR; PELAGIA THE VIRGIN MARTYR

**TODAY'S MNEMOSYNA:** This morning's memorial services are being offered for the repose of the souls of: our sister **Androulla Joseph**, who fell asleep in the Lord 2 years ago, **Evangelos Joseph**, who fell asleep in the Lord 4 years ago; **Virginia Drossos**, who fell asleep in the Lord 20 years ago, and **James Drossos**, who fell asleep in the Lord 32 years ago. The families of Androulla and Evangelos Joseph and of Virginia and James Drossos are sponsoring this morning's coffee hour.

**OIKOS LECTURE TODAY:** In lieu of a sermon today, we will have the pleasure of hearing from **Steven Harris, Ph.D.** He will be speaking to us on matters that pertain to our overall well-being and spiritual growth. A member of the Serbian Orthodox Parish of the Most Holy Theotokos, in Irvine, CA, Dr. Harris holds a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology. He is the former Co-Director of the Psychoanalytic Study Center of Southern California and is currently writing a book on how psychology can support the aims of the Orthodox Church. Welcome, Dr. Harris.

**MESSINIANS MEETING TODAY:** The Navarino Messinian Society will hold a meeting in the second-floor conference room today, beginning at 1:00 p.m.

**GREEK SCHOOL, SUNDAY SCHOOL:** As noted, Greek School resumed on September 30. Sunday School, meanwhile, began on September 10. We are pleased to note the enthusiasm among both our staff (more teachers volunteering/great programs) and our students (more hands-on learning). Let's keep up the enthusiasm. And let's keep up making these educational programs better and better, teaching our children the ways of the Lord and also our cultural heritage. Sunday School begins at 10:30 a.m., and Greek School begins at 10:00 a.m.

**DANCE PRACTICE AS SCHEDULED:** Dance practice will take place today, as scheduled, today and also this Friday, October 13, 6:15 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. As FDF is a whole month earlier this year (January instead of February), our groups are intensely preparing to compete (for the older groups), and for exhibition (for our little group).

**YOUNG ADULT DANCE PRACTICE:** The newly formed group of Young Adults will practice this Tuesday, October 10, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**HONORING PATRICIA ALECK DECEMBER 3:** It is customary for the immediate past president of the Ladies Philoptochos to be honored, at the conclusion of her service as President (as it is also custom for the immediate past president of the Parish Council to be so honored). Our Ladies Philoptochos will honor Pat with a pre-Christmas fête, on Sunday, December 3. As we will be in the preparation period for the great feast of the Nativity of our Lord, the hall will be "dressed up" for Christmas. The theme of the event is JOY. Joy as we prepare to celebrate Christmas. Joy as we celebrate the spirit of service and generosity, which Pat embodies. Her love for her Church and her life-long dedication to the Cathedral—as Parish Council member, as Stewardship chair, as Parish Council President, as Philoptochos member and as Philoptochos President. A lifetime of devoted service! The event will benefit the Building Fund. We're sure you will not want to miss it.

**WE CAN'T WAIT FOR IT TO FINISH:** However, with the current building boom in San Francisco, the Contractor is having trouble getting subs to do the work. We're in the home stretch, though. As you see, we are nearing **completion of the exterior**. We are also about a month away from receiving a Conditional Use Permit to enable us to secure a third-party operator to run the parking. As for the **interior**: we hope to begin the upper wall installation by the end of 2017. However, in order for us to continue, we need your prayers and your continued financial support. First, we have outstanding pledges, to the tune of \$600,000. Statements went out last week. Follow-up phone calls have been made by members of the Parish Council. May we ask you to make good on your Building Fund pledges by the end of 2017? Please give serious consideration to doing so, to enable us to continue rebuilding the Cathedral. If you have not yet contributed, won't you consider making a gift this calendar year? We invite you to join in and let's finish what we've undertaken to do, that is, to rebuild our church and make firm our presence as a Greek Orthodox house of worship in the **heart of our Great City**. In this way, we will be answering the call by God to Moses, when he said **"Build me a Sanctuary, and I will appear among you."** (from the Septuagint: *Και ποιήσεις μοι ἄγίασμα, καὶ ὀφθήσομαι ἐν ὑμῖν*). (Exodus 25:8). When everything is completed, we will be able to consecrate the new Cathedral to the glory of God. More than likely, this will take place to coincide with our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary, in 2021. Let's keep going, Annunciation!



*"The Church shall be a home for Orthodox Christians from every ethnic and national background. It shall be a house of prayer for all humankind, in which the Holy Name of our Triune God shall be extolled and all of creation sanctified."*

(Ecumenical Patriarch  
Bartholomew, Ground breaking,  
November 6, 1997)