Today's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, Chapter 6, Verses 14-21: The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. "And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. "Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. "But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on the earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Today's Apolytikon (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone Four: Τό φανερὸν τῆς Αναστάσεως κηρύγμα ἐκ τοῦ Χριστοῦ μαθόντας αἱ τῶν Κυρίων μαθήται, καὶ τὴν προοιμίαν ἀπόκρισιν ἀποφάσισαν, τοῖς Αποστόλοις καυχόμενοι ἔλεγον: Ἑσκάλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἡγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δορυφόρων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Today's Mnemosynon: Memorial services will be conducted at the conclusion of today’s Divine Liturgy for the repose of the soul of our sister Maria Klironomos, who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. Αἰώνια ἡ Μνήμη! Eternal Memory!

Correction: We apologize for a typo in our February Herald, Condolences section, and correct it with it as follow: The Cathedral extends condolences to Martha Klironomos on the recent falling asleep in the Lord of her mother, Maria Klironomos. Αἰώνια ἡ Μνήμη! Eternal Memory!

COVID-19 Guidance Update: Consonant with State and local guidelines, our Reopening Taskforce has formulated and our Parish Council has adopted the following, in part: Effective immediately, masks should continue to be worn, for services, by those who are unvaccinated. For meals served indoors, proof of vaccination is required, which is why our coffee hour is being held in the gallery.

Congratulations to our Dance Groups: Following today’s Divine Liturgy, Father Costa will call upon the directors and dancers of Spithes, who won silver, the Choral Award and the Costume award at FDF, which this year was held in Phoenix, AZ. The dance groups are sponsoring today’s coffee hour.

March 25th Celebrations: We look forward to celebrating the Feast of the Annunciation with in-person services this year, with Great Vespers on Thursday, March 24 at 7pm and Divine Liturgy on Friday, March 25 at 10am preceded by Orthros at 9am. In light of current COVID 19 restrictions and guidelines, instead of full meals we will be serving refreshments following Vespers on Thursday as well as Friday following Liturgy.

Special 100th Anniversary Icon: An Icon of the Annunciation is being commissioned on the occasion of our Centennial Celebration. The icon depicts Agia Sophia in Constantinople, our Mother Church, as shown in the 1921 seal of the Cathedral, originally named St. Sophia. It also features the Golden Gate Bridge, representing San Francisco. A limited edition of 150 Icons will be produced. Each Icon will be numbered and dedicated to the person or family purchasing it. The price of the icon is $1,250 and pre-orders are being accepted now. Please contact Paul Sogotis at pault.sogotis@annunciation.org for more details.

Paver Project Update: Let’s go full steam ahead and get more pavers inscribed in our courtyard. Join our “Adopt a Paver” program. To learn more, pick up a brochure at the porch, call Jim Vorries, Chair, at 650-464-1616 or speak with Dr. George Ambus or with Nick Svetcoff. The donation is $2,000 per paver, payable in 1 contribution of $2,000, 2 installments of $1,000 payable over 1 year, or 4 installments of $500 payable over 1 year.
TCO OBTAINED: For the better part of two years, we have all been waiting and praying for our garage to finally be open for proper usage. Thanks to the hard work of our Construction Committee led by Chairman Tasso Mavroudis and our Construction Managers Joel Josehart and Rob Bernstein, we have obtained all the necessary signatures from the proper city authorities in order to receive our Temporary Certificate of Occupancy! This certificate allows for Golden State Parking, the company that used to run our valet services on Sundays, to operate and run our garage fulltime. This will result in much more convenient access to the garage on Sundays and particularly during the week. This is a tremendous step for our Cathedral and we and we applaud the work of our Construction Committee for seeing it through!

“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.”