EPITLED READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles Chapter 11, Verses 19-30.

Ο ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ ΠΡΟΣ ΠΡΑΪΤΟΥΣ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΥ κ.φ. 11 εδάφ. 19-30.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning’s Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John, Chapter 4 Verses 5-42: At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink.” For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, “How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of a woman of Samaria?” For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, “If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, ‘Give me a drink,’ you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.” The woman said to him, “Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?” Jesus said to her, “Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.” The woman said to him, “Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw.” Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.” The woman answered him, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You are right in saying, ‘I have no husband’; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly.” The woman said to him, “Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship.” Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.” The woman said to him, “I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things.” Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.” Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, “What do you wish?” or, “Why are you talking with her?” So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, “Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?” They went out of the city and were coming to him. Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying, “Rabbi, eat.” But he said to them, “I have food to eat of which you do not know.” So the disciples said to one another, “Has anyone brought him food?” Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, then comes the harvest’? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, ‘One sows and another reaps.’ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor.” Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman’s testimony. “He told me all that I ever did.” So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, “It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savor of the world.”

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Today’s Memorial Service is being offered for the repose of the soul of Bill (Basilie) Mavroudis, 26 years since his passing, Ἀναγνωρίζω τὴν μνήμην! Μὴν μνημόνευτη! Μεταφύλαξτε τη μνήμη του Βασούλη Μαυρούδη, 26 χρόνια από την θάνατό του.

COFFEE HOUR TODAY: Today’s coffee hour is being sponsored by the Mavroudis Family in memory of Bill (Basilie) Mavroudis. Please join us for refreshments in the hall following Divine Liturgy.

JOIN OUR GREEK SCHOOL: Greek School enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year is open!! We offer a well-rounded curriculum focused on Greek language learning as well as Greek history, culture, traditions and customs. Classes are open to both children and adults! For more information or to enroll, please reach out to our Director, Shu Yeung at 415-518-8750

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 paul.sogotis@annunciation.org for more details.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA: Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to stay up to date with the events of the Cathedral. Facebook: @annunciationcathedralsf Twitter: @annunciationsf and Instagram: @the_cathedral_sf

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 pangari, call Jim Vorriuses, 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.”