SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning’s Apostolic Reading is from the Saint Paul’s Letter to the Galatians 2, Verses 16-20: Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning’s Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark Chapter 8, Verses 34 – 38, Chapter 9, Verse 1: The Lord said: “If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life?” And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power.”

FESTIVAL TODAY: San Francisco’s Only Greek Food Festival is back and in person today! Please spend the time after church today to enjoy some delicious food and support our community. This is a very important festival for the Cathedral as it is our first one since 2019. We look forward to seeing you today!

NEXT ELPIDA DAY: We are happy to announce the second day of our exciting new Youth Program at the Annunciation: Elpidai! This new ministry is being headed by Mia Fanourgiakis and will meet for the second time on, Sunday, October 16! Kids of all ages are invited to join, there is something for everyone! For more information please contact Mia at mia.fanourgiakis@annunciation.org

GREEK DANCE IS BACK: We are happy to announce that our Greek Dance season has started up again and our groups have resumed practices after Divine Liturgy on Sundays. If your child or children are interested in dancing please email sfgreekdance@annunciation.org for more information!

COMMEMORATIVE ALBUM DEADLINE EXTENDED: The Ad Book Committee has extended the final deadline to receive ads for this year’s album. Please contact Irene or Presvytera at: Adbook@Annunciation.org for more information and to submit your ad. Thank you for your continued support! Warmest Regards, Presvytera Aliki Kyriacou and Irene Kyriacou, Co-Chairs. Be sure to get your ad in!

PAVER PROJECT UPDATE: It is time to 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 Vorrices, Chair, at 650-464-1616 or email at jim.vorrices@annunciation.org

BASKETBALL IS BACK: OYAA has just announced the return of basketball season and the Cathedral is putting its rosters together! If your child is interested in playing basketball at the Cathedral, please contact Deno Konstantinidis at deno.konstantinidis@annunciation.org

Today’s Apolytikon (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone Five (Plagal 1): Τὸν συνάναχθαν ὁγιίαν Πατρί καὶ Πνεύματι, τῶν ἑκατέρνου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θανάτον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοῖς τεθνεῶταις ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ. Αναστάσει αὐτῶν.
“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.”