EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning’s Apostolic Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 5, verses 12 to 20. It is found in our books on page 82.

The Apostles prayed for the Apostles to find no fault in the temple or in any of the worship. They prayed that we might have a clear conscience and be honest and without guilt, that we might come to the church with confidence and peace of mind.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning’s Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. John, Chapter 20, Verses 19-31. It is found in our books on pages 165-167.

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., upstair). 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. 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 by reading selections from 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 helping us to discover (or rediscover) why we belong in the Church. If you are interested in attending the class, please contact Alexandros Kozák at orthodoxy-agkozak@sneakemail.com. Note: The Introduction to Orthodoxy class is now being offered two Sundays a month (rather than every Sunday). In April, the class meets this morning. It will meet again on Sunday, April 29, beginning at 9 a.m. The class meets in the second-floor conference room.

40 DAY BLESSING: This morning we welcome 40 day old Stella Catherine, daughter of Bill and Rose Vlahos.

DANCE GROUP MEETING TODAY: A meeting of the Dance Group Directors and Parents will meet today at 12:30 p.m. The meeting will take place in the Chapel.

PARISH COUNCIL: The Parish Council was due to meet today, as today is the third Sunday. It will meet, instead, on Sunday, April 29.

BAKSETBALL GAMES TODAY: This afternoon, the Annunciation Cathedral is host to the following Varsity basketball games:

- 2 pm High School Annunciation & St. Gregory 2
- 3 pm Adult St. Nicholas SF & Annunciation 1
- 4 pm Adult St. Gregory 2 & Announcement 3
- 5 pm Adult St. Gregory 1 & Announcement 4

BAKSETBALL GAMES THIS WEDNESDAY:

- 7 pm Adult Announcement 3 & Announcement 4
- 8 pm Adult Announcement 1 & Announcement 2

COMMUNITY KITCHEN THIS TUESDAY: As this Tuesday is the third Tuesday of the month, our Community Kitchen (Soup Kitchen), under the leadership of our Young Adults, will take place, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Volunteers are always needed and welcome, especially those who can come a little early. Set-up begins at 5:30 p.m. We look forward to seeing you, as we extend food and hospitality to some 100 individuals. Often, we hear things like, “this is the best meal we’ve had all month. We will also be distributing the socks which you have been kind enough to donate, through our socks drive.

YOUNG ADULT GET-TOGETHER: Following the Community Kitchen this Tuesday, April 17, our Young Adults will convene in the second-floor conference room for wine and cheese, for the purpose of getting to know one another better and for discussion.

SOCKS DRIVE: We are having a socks drive all during the months of March and April. The socks will be given out to our guests who come to Community Kitchen. The most recent Community Kitchen took place this past Tuesday. The next Community Kitchen will take place on Tuesday, April 17. Won’t you bring a packet of new socks, please, and leave it at the pangari. You will be helping keep someone’s feet warm.
GETTING CLOSER AND CLOSER:

Notice, the pavers being laid in the courtyard and all around the new Cathedral. Notice the walls along Valencia Street and the new sidewalk along Stevenson Street. As announced, we’ve recently been awarded a conditional use permit, which will enable us to secure a third-party operator to run the parking. As for the interior, we hope to locate a contractor by the end of 2018 for the upper interior wall installation. However, in order for us to continue, we need your prayers and financial support. We still have outstanding pledges, to the tune of $528,000. If you have not yet contributed, won’t you consider making your gift? Your gift is fully deductible to the extent allowed by Law. More importantly, you will experience the joy of giving (and to such a historic undertaking!), helping us to complete 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.” (Exodus 25:8). When everything is completed, we will be able to consecrate the new Cathedral to the glory of God.


"The Church shall be a home for Orthodox Christians from every ethnic and national background. It shall be a house of prayer for all, of the one true Name of our Triune God."