

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2017

SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND THE PHARISEE

THE MARTYR AGATHA OF SICILY; POLYEUKTOS PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE

EPISTLE READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Apostolic Reading is from the second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy chapter 3, verses 10-15. It is found in our books on page 133.

Ὁ Απόστολος, πρὸς Τιμόθεον δευτέρας ἐπιστολῆς Παύλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα, κεφ. 3, ἐδάφ. 10-15: Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, παρηκολούθηκάς μου τῇ διδασκαλίᾳ, τῇ ἀγωγῇ, τῇ προθέσει, τῇ πίστει, τῇ μακροθυμίᾳ, τῇ ἀγάπῃ, τῇ ὑπομονῇ, τοῖς διωγμοῖς, τοῖς παθήμασιν, οἷά μοι ἐγένετο ἐν Ἀντιοχείᾳ, ἐν Ἰκονίᾳ, ἐν Λύστροις, οἷους διωγμοὺς ὑπήνεγκα· καὶ ἐκ πάντων με ἐρρύσατο ὁ κύριος. Καὶ πάντες δὲ οἱ θέλοντες εὐσεβῶς ζῆν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ διωχθήσονται. Πονηροὶ δὲ ἄνθρωποι καὶ γόητες προκόψουσιν ἐπὶ τὸ χεῖρον, πλανῶντες καὶ πλανώμενοι. Σὺ δὲ μένε ἐν οἷς ἔμαθες καὶ ἐπιστώθης, εἰδὼς παρὰ τίνος ἔμαθες, καὶ ὅτι ἀπὸ βρέφους τὰ ἱερά γράμματα οἶδας, τὰ δυνάμενά σε σοφίσαι εἰς σωτηρίαν διὰ πίστεως τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ.

GOSPEL READING OF THE DAY: This morning's Gospel Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, Chapter 18, Verses 10-14. It is found in our books on page 275.

Ἡ σημερινὴ εὐαγγελικὴ περικοπὴ ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Λουκᾶν, κεφ. 18, ἐδάφ. 10-14, εὐρίσκεται εἰς τὰ βιβλία μας, σελ. 274.

Today's Apolytikion (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone Eight (Plagal Four):

Descending from on high, O merciful Lord, for us did You endure three days in the tomb, that we may be released from the passions of this world, You who are our Resurrection and our Life, Lord, glory to You.

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες, ὁ Εὐσπλαχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν, ἡ Ζωὴ καὶ ἡ Ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε, δόξα σοι.

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.

BRUNCH NEXT SUNDAY: Plan to join us next Sunday, February 12, for a brunch following the Divine Liturgy and for a preview of some of the dances our groups will be performing later that week at FDF in San Diego. Please refer to the flyer, below:

The Annunciation Cathedral

Dance Groups

To Mellon

Revmata

Thisavri

Spithes

Invite you to join us for our



Preview Breakfast

Date: Sunday, February 12th

Time: Directly after church

Cost: \$10 per person

Each group will perform one of their FDF dance suites for our friends and family who are not able to attend FDF.

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.

CHURCH BASKETBALL PRACTICE: Practice will take place this Wednesday evening and Thursday evening, as scheduled.

DANCE PRACTICE: Dance practice, in preparation for FDF (Folk Dance Festival) will take place, in addition to today, this Saturday, February 4, as scheduled

MAGNIFICENT: Ken Katen spoke to us last week about this magnificent landmark which you are creating—a center of our Greek Orthodox faith in the heart of the City! You should be very proud. Go ahead and share the good news with your friends, relatives and neighbors. Invite them to come and see what you are doing in response to God’s invitation, *“Build me a Sanctuary, and I will appear among you.”* (Translated from the Septuagint: *Και ποιήσεις μοι ἅγίασμα, και ὀφθήσομαι ἐν ὑμῖν*). (Exodus 25:8). Meanwhile, waterproofing of the deck and around the garage continues, weather permitting. The entrenchment drain is being constructed, as are the housing for the garage exhaust ducts, and the restoration of the archways. Connection to the sewers, on the Stevenson Street side, took place December 17. On the Valencia Street side, the connection took place January 28. We need five clear days following each rain in order to continue with waterproofing.

As for the interior, we hope to complete much of it by the end of 2017, as your generosity permits. We need your prayers and your continued financial support, enabling the Cathedral to continue building. We hope to be done with the exterior by April and to start using the garage in the weeks following. Depending upon financing, work on the interior can then begin. We hope to consecrate the new Cathedral to the glory of God to coincide with our 100th anniversary, in 2021. God will bless us, indeed, if His All Holiness, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, who laid the cornerstone back in 1997, also consecrates it to God’s glory in 2021! Let’s join together & move full-speed ahead to complete what we’ve begun.



“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)