THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF LUKES

CLEMENT, BISHOP OF ROME; PETER, BISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA

EPISODE READING OF THE DAY: This morning’s Epistle Reading is from Saint Paul’s Letter to the Galatians, chapter 6, verses 11-18. It is found in our books on page 147.

The 28th Thursday of Ordinary Time is the Thursday of the Holy Thursday. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 10 a.m.

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2013 CHRISTMAS CARD
Come up at the end of the Divine Liturgy and share their “amazement,” their “joy” and their “sense of blessing,” to use their words, that we are building their church.

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OYAA BASKETBALL PRACTICE FOR GIRLS AND BOYS 8-14 YEARS OLD HAS BEEN
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Parishioners were invited to bring to church your completed 2014 Stewardship Pledge Cards and place them in the special tray which will be passed at the conclusion of the Liturgy. This track is a very powerful way of your saying, “We are dedicated Orthodox Christians, members and supporters of the Stewardship Committee.”

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GOOD NEWS: CONSTRUCTION OF THE CATHEDRAL HAS BEGUN: Look outside and see what’s going on. Our buildings and the sidewalks on Valencia and Stevenson Streets have been shored up, in preparation for Excavation for the underground garage. It will take a number of months to put down the rebar steel, install the drainage and lay down the floor slab, which will serve as the ground level of the parking structure, as well as the ground level slab, over which the Cathedral will be built. Every week you will see more and more progress. But, now, in order to proceed, we need to have everyone on board, everybody contributing.

In the Book of Exodus (25:8) God says: “Build me a Sanctuary, and I will appear among you.” (Translated from the Septuagint: Καὶ ποιήσεις μοι ἁγίασμα, καὶ ὀφθήσομαι ἐν ὑμῖν). We’ve quoted this at least since the start of the Capital Campaign. And we can’t stress it enough: we’re building this because God is telling us to!

A few weeks ago, we sent materials to you and ask that you give prayerful consideration to your gift, which may be made over 5 years. We also told you which member of the Capital Campaign Committee would be calling you to discuss your participation. We hope the Committee members have made their contacts and that you’ve pretty much decided what to do, this year, next year, and so on, until 2018 or 2019, as the Cathedral gets ready to celebrate its 100th anniversary.

We are pleased to inform you that, since this phase of the Campaign, we have raised an additional $230,000 from among 30 more pledges. We are also speaking with a number of individuals who are planning 6-figure gifts, some of them to be paid over five (5) years. Those who make 6-figure gifts ($100,000 and above) will be invited to join the “Dean’s List,” a special recognition for this level of giving. To date, we have six (6) such donors.

We are also pleased to inform you that we are still planning to hold a gala event during 2014, open to parishioners and friends of the Cathedral alike, with a view to raising $1 million for the Capital Campaign. Little by little, we will get there. We thank you for your willingness, for your consideration, and for your generosity.

We at the Annunciation Cathedral will grow The Orthodox Christian Faith in San Francisco through: Stewardship, Worship, Education, Evangelism and Philanthropic Outreach