Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos,
dejemos caer en la tentación, y líbranos del Mal.

De cada día; perdona nuestras deudas,

σου Σῶµµα, ἀνέέστης τριήήµµερος Σωτήήρ, δωροúµµενος τῷ κόόσµῳ τὴν ζωήήν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Τοῦ λίίθου σφραγισθέέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόόντων τὸ ἂχραντον alone love mankind.

You give life. Whereby all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life. Glory to our resurrected Lord, who is our life.

This morning’s Epistle Reading is from the Letter of Saint Paul to Titus, chapter 3, verses 8-15: Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way, so that you lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I want you to come to me there after the first day of the new year.

Today’s Apolytikion (Dismissal Hymn) is that of Tone One:

The stone that had been sealed before your tomb by the Jews, and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred Body, O Savior, the third day You arose, and unto all the world did give life. Whereby all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life. Glory unto our resurrected Christ, glory unto your Kingdom, glory to your Dispensation, O You who alone love mankind.

Parish Council elections will take place on Sunday, December , following the Divine Liturgy. In addition to considering the March 30, 2014 minutes, the Assembly will hear the following reports: Treasurer’s, Festival, Stewardship, Building, Auditors, and Nominating Committee. The terms of seven Parish Council members expire this year. Parish Council elections will take place on Sunday, December , following the Divine Liturgy.

Before concluding these words, we wish to formally say “thank you” to you for all you did to make this year’s Festival a great success.
BUILDING UPDATE: IN ADDITION to a testimonial about WHY people are giving, the most recent building update, with the theme Building a Legacy, includes a list of donors to date—269 so far. We thank them for their “gifts of faith.” Their names will be inscribed on the dedication wall in the new Cathedral, where prayers will be constantly offered “for the blessed and ever-memorable founders and benefactors of this Holy Church.” Meanwhile, 1500 brochures, DVDs and CDs have gone out to potential donors around the country.

MORE GOOD NEWS: The top of the parking structure or, if you prefer, the base of the Cathedral itself (also known as the deck) is being formed. Rebar will be laid and the concrete will be poured some time in November.

In the Book of Exodus (25:8) God says: “Build me a Sanctuary, and I will appear among you.” (Translated from the Septuagint: Καὶ ποιήήσεις µµοι ἁγίίασµα, καὶ ὀφθήήσοµαι ἐν ὑµµῖν.) We’ve quoted this at least since the start of the Capital Campaign, and we are keeping this “immovable before our eyes,” as Deut. 6:8 states. This commandment from Scripture is our mission statement. We can’t stress it enough: we’re building the Cathedral because God has told us to do so, that His Holy Name may be glorified, in the Orthodox Faith, in this dynamic corridor of San Francisco’s inner city! Amazing!

AS OF THIS WRITING, OVER $5.5 MILLION HAS BEEN RAISED, $1 MILLION SINCE WE SIGNED THE CONTRACT ON OCTOBER 17, 2013!: The total raised during the Capital Campaign exceeds $5.5 million. Of the $5.5 raised, $4.3 has already been received and $1.2 million is receivable (from those who are paying over a number of years, in some cases, up to five years.). All from 269 donors, so far. We hope to grow this list to at least 500.

The Church is here to heal,
To reconcile,
To connect with Christ,
To become partakers of the divine glory,
To worship God,
To proclaim the Gospel, in the original Christian way,
That the world may be saved.