

# FORGIVENESS SUNDAY – CHEESE-FARE SUNDAY

COMMEMORATION OF THE BANISHMENT OF ADAM FROM THE JOYS OF PARADISE

VENERABLE LEO, POPE OF ROME; AGAPITOS THE CONFESSOR & WONDER WORKER, BISHOP OF SINAI  
HOLY MARTYRS LEON & PARIGORIOS OF PATARIA IN LYCIA

Sunday, February 18, 2018

## Metropolitan Gerasimos' Encyclical for Great Lent

### Orthros

Tone: Four

Fourth Eothinon: Luke 24:1-12

### Divine Liturgy

Epistle: Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4 (pg. 134)

Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21 (pg. 135)

Epistle Reader: Karen Hood

Prophora: Christina Karabatos

Coffee Hour Set-Up: Dina Andrews & Maria Smith

Coffee Hour Hostesses: Anna Gianoukakis, Joelle Bardos, Stephanie Hubbard

Parish Council: Patrick Santy, Ron Wade, Christos Tzelepis

Memorials: Koula Abazis, 2 yrs.; Manolis Abazis, 24 yrs.; Departed Members of the St. Katherine Philoptochos

Altar Boys Team: Three

Next Week's Team: Four

Parish Schedule for the Week February 18, 2018		
Sunday, February 18 <i>Cheese Fare/Forgiveness Sunday</i>	Orthros Divine Liturgy Sunday School ( <i>Caras Education Center</i> ) Philoptochos Assembly ( <i>Fotion Fellowship Hall</i> )	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM
Monday, February 19 <i>Clean Monday/ Great Lent Begins</i>	Presidents Day ( <i>Office Closed</i> ) Compline & Confessions	7:00 PM
Tuesday, February 20	Philoptochos' Lenten Koulouraki Baking ( <i>come &amp; help!</i> ) YAL Basketball Practice	9:00 AM 7:00 PM
Wednesday, February 21	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy & Confessions Boys Basketball Practice	10:00 AM 7:00 PM
Thursday, February 22	Girls Basketball Practice	7:00 PM
Friday, February 23	Pre-sanctified Liturgy & Confessions Greek Language School ( <i>Caras Education Center</i> ) 1 <sup>st</sup> Salutations Service	10:00 AM 4:00 PM 7:00 PM
Saturday, February 24 <i>3rd Saturday of the Souls</i>	Greek Language School ( <i>Caras Education Center</i> ) Divine Liturgy/ Memorials & Confessions	9:30 AM 10:00 AM

Resurrection Hymn (Tone Four): Τό φαιδρόν τῆς ἀναστάσεως

When the tidings of the resurrection of the glorious angel was proclaimed unto the women disciples and our ancestral sentence also had been abolished, to the Apostles with boasting did they proclaim that death is vanquished evermore and Christ our God has risen from the dead and granted to the world His great redeeming mercy.

**Great Lent begins tomorrow – Book your Lenten confession without delay:**

Lent and confession go hand in hand. Fr. Michael will hear confessions (by appointment only) after services on Monday evenings, and Wednesday & Friday mornings. To book your appointment please call the church office.

**Final Lenten Saturday of the Souls Liturgy, February 24 – Pray for the departed & help those in need:**

Name sheets are available on the countertop in the back of the church (don't forget Nouna & Nouno!) Donations given in memory of your loved ones will be placed in the *Discretionary Fund* to help those in need. Remember to bring koliva and place them on the memorials table with an unlit taper candle. Afterwards we will all share the koliva.

**Philoptochos meeting and luncheon TODAY in the Fotion Fellowship Hall:**

Join us after coffee hour. Our own Corina Gheorghiu, a family therapist, will speak on the topic of forgiveness.

**St. Katherine Foundation:** Scholarship Applications due: *April 11, 5:00 PM*; Award Ceremony: *May 20, 2018*.

**Speakers unite at the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival – Sunday, March 18:**

Topic choices will be available today in both the junior & senior high classrooms. Mr. Don Frazier will once again be available to assist speakers with the writing and presentation of speeches. Students are strongly encouraged to participate in this festival. Public speaking skills will be useful throughout your public and professional lives!

**Sunday of Orthodoxy, 2/25 – Pan-Orthodox Youth Rally, Vespers and Concert at St. Stephen (Alhambra):**

All are invited to this annual gathering of all the local Orthodox faithful. A youth rally will be held at 3PM. Choir members will also meet at 3PM to rehearse. The Vespers & Icon Procession will be at 4PM, followed by a concert by the POYAC (Pan Orthodox Young Adult Choir), Lenten refreshments and fellowship. (1621 W. Garvey Ave.)

**“Δρόμοι του Μίσσημου” – A theatrical production – Sunday, February 25 at 5:30PM:**

In conjunction with International Greek Language Day, The Hellenic Library of Southern California invites you to the William Bristol Civic Auditorium (Bellflower) for an avant-garde stage production featuring 10 live performers paying homage in Greek to the “Greek expatriate” through poetry, song and drama. Suggested donation, \$35. Reception to follow at St. George's hall in Downey. RSVP to [info@Hellenic-Library.org](mailto:info@Hellenic-Library.org) or call 562-305-2356.

**Ionian Village Announces 2018 “Summer Camp” & “IV Next” Programs – Scholarships Available:**

2018 summer camping program (for grades 9-12) offers two sessions: *Summer Travel Camp* (June 15-July 4 & July 15-Aug 3). Program participants will travel across Greece, venerate the relics of saints, walk in the footsteps of the Apostles, and visit significant sites of Greek history and culture; returning home with strengthened faith and a greater appreciation for the Church and Greek culture. New for 2018 is *IV Next* (May 31-June 11) the only travel based program for young adults (ages 19-28) that has our Greek Orthodox faith as a core tenet of the program. *IV Next* combines professional development, international travel, and the Orthodox Faith into one all-inclusive program. In addition to excursions to the cornerstones of Greek heritage, participants will also engage in discussions about career goals, the financial realities of being a millennial, and how to successfully incorporate our Orthodox Faith into everyday business life. *IV Next* is fully funded by Leadership 100. Apply on line at [www.ionianvillage.org](http://www.ionianvillage.org).

**Heritage Greece – Sponsored cultural “travel abroad” program, June 7-24 – Application deadline 3/15/18:**

Hosted by the American College of Greece & *subsidized* by the National Hellenic Society, this 2 week educational & cultural program is designed to foster a deeper understanding of Hellenism in the lives of Greek-American college students while earning course credits. Apply at: [www.acg.edu/admissions/study-abroad/heritage-greece](http://www.acg.edu/admissions/study-abroad/heritage-greece).

**GOARCH Scholarships for 2018-19 – Applications Available Online:**

The Archdiocese is offering the following scholarships for the 2018-2019 academic year. The *George & Naouma Gioles Scholarship* and the *Katina John Malta Scholarship* for undergraduate studies. The *Paleologos Scholarship* for non-theological graduate work. The *Christos and Georgia Trakatellis Fellowship* offering \$3K per semester to graduates of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology to study (preferably in Greece or at the Ecumenical Patriarchate) Greek language, Hellenic culture and liturgical practice. The *Gregory S. Taylor Scholarship* offers financial assistance to students pursuing a post-graduate degree in the areas of theology, religious studies, or pastoral training. Award amounts determined on program studies, financial need, previous academic work, recommendations, availability of funds and the applicant intent to serve the Archdiocese. Deadline is May 4, 2018. Apply online at: [www.goarch.org](http://www.goarch.org) or call 212-774-0283.

**Sponsored Coffee Hour – May their memory be eternal:**

Today's coffee hour is being offered in memory of Koula & Manolis Abazis by the Abazis & Franks families, and in memory of all the departed members of the St. Katherine Philoptochos Society.