

ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

MARTYRS: PHOTIOS, ANIKETOS, PAMPHILOS, KAPITON, AND THE 12 SOLDIERS OF CRETE
VENERABLE FATHERS: SERGIUS, STEFANOS, CASTOR, AND PALAMON

Sunday, August 12, 2018

Sermon: Forgive to Be Forgiven

Orthros

Tone: Two

Eleventh Eothinon: John 21:15-25

Divine Liturgy

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12 (pg.80)

Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35 (pg. 81)

Epistle Reader: Angelica Sotiriou Rausch

Prospora: Helen & Elias Delis

Coffee Hour Set-up: Carolyn Crossley & Bonnie Mitrosilis

Coffee Hour Hostesses: Helen Brock, Stephanie Hubbard, Dena Flokas

Parish Council: Vasilios Marutsos, Philip Rausch, George Mitsanas

Organ Selections: *Collection:* Moment de valse (J. Sibelius) *Dismissal:* Valse Op. 4 No. 2 (F. Chopin)

Altar Boys Team: Two

Next Week's Team: Three

Parish Schedule for the Week August 12, 2018

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Sunday, August 12	Orthros Divine Liturgy w/Youth Choir	9:00 AM 10:00 AM
Monday, August 13	Paraklesis Service & Confessions	7:00 PM
Tuesday, August 14	Vespers of the Dormition (at Assumption, Long Beach) YAL Basketball Practice	7:00 PM 7:00 PM
Wednesday, August 15 (Office closed) Dormition of the Holy Theotokos	Orthros Divine Liturgy	9:00 AM 10:00 AM
Thursday, August 16		
Friday, August 17		
Saturday, August 18		

Resurrection Hymn (Tone Two): Ὅτε κατήλθε

When You descended to the realm of death, You as Life Immortal rendered to Hades a mortal blow by Your all radiant divinity. And when You from infernal depths and the darkness below did raise the dead, all the hosts of heaven's powers did proclaim and cry out, "O Life-giving Christ and our God, we give glory."

Dedication of the new Narthex & Administration Center-SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9:

Invitations have recently been mailed for our celebration luncheon planned in conjunction with the blessing of our Narthex & Administration Center. Metropolitan Gerasimos will officiate at the liturgy and blessing of the new building. We hope to have many of our parishioners come and enjoy this celebration of the completion of this phase of our campus renovations. It is your efforts that have helped make this possible. Please make your reservations as soon as possible to be assured of seating. **Deadline for reservations: August 27.**

Confessions and services during the Dormition Fast

The Dormition fast began on August 1 and will culminate on the 15th, the Feast of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, sometimes called the *Summer Pascha*. Tomorrow, Monday August 13 at 7PM we will offer the final *paraklesis* (supplication) service, during which we pray for our own personal needs and for those we love. Following, Fr. Michael will hear confessions. Contact the office to make a confession appointment. We encourage you to take advantage of these beautiful and most beneficial services. Name slips to commemorate the living and donation envelopes benefiting the *St. Katherine Discretionary Fund* are available at the candle stand.

Our Help And Comfort Newsletter for September/October – Article submissions deadline, August 16

The Ecclesiastic New Year is on September 1st. With the New Year comes the resumption of our ministry and group meetings and activities. Let our community know about your group, its mission, goals and activities. Our newsletter is a terrific way to get the word out. Email your articles to DnCary@StKatherineGOC.org by 8/16.

SoCal Greeks organizing a clothing / supplies drive to benefit victims of the fires in Greece

Please bring clothes, shoes, hygiene & cleaning supplies, paper products, and children's items that are clean & in good condition to our church **from now until August 15**. Monetary contributions are also being accepted, and 100% of proceeds will go to victims and the charity "To Hamogelo Tou Paidiou" (The Smile of Every Child). For more information contact Alexandra Demetriou at alexandrademetriou@earthlink.net.

YOUTH SUNDAY is coming soon – September 16:

Note to parents (and children); be sure to come to church on September 16 to register for Sunday School and sign up for all the fun youth groups and activities the kids wish to participate in during the 2018/19 church year.

Did you lose something? Did you find it with St. Phanourios' help? Say "thank you" with a Phanouropita:

The Great Martyr Phanourios is beloved for his miraculous assistance in helping the faithful find lost/misplaced items. It is a wonderful custom to bake a *phanouropita* as a token of gratitude and to bring it to the church to be blessed and shared. The feast of Saint Phanourios falls on Monday (8/27) so on Sunday August 26 at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy Fr. Michael will offer a short service in the Saint's honor and bless the phanouropites which will be enjoyed by the faithful at the coffee hour. Whose phanouropita will be the tastiest?!

St. Katherine Greek Language School is seeking instructors for the 2018/2109 academic session

Our Greek Language School is one of the most successful in southern California offering an amazing curriculum for student, newborn to adult. But we need your help if we are to stay open and not turn away students. If you are a native Greek speaker, love working with children and want to help the next generation connect with the Greek culture and heritage then please contact Maria Polson at GreekSchool.StKatherine@gmail.com or 310-872-6402.

Fundraiser Dinner for the Life-Giving Spring Monastery – Saturday, August 25

All are invited to attend this festive and worthwhile event in support of our beloved Monastery at St. Nicholas Ranch. The sisters are desperate for more living space and need to raise the funds to finish their expansion project. The event will be held at Saint Sophia's Huffington Center on Sat, 8/25 at 6PM. The evening will also include both "live" and silent auctions, a raffle and a booth to purchase goods produced by the sisters of the convent. Adults \$75, children \$35. Please use the enclosed response form to reserve your space. Commemorative album sponsorships are also available. Please contact Scarlett Billis at 310-214-6711.

Fourth Annual "Pan Orthodox" Music Festival of Greater Los Angeles – Saturday, August 25:

St. Steven Cathedral (in Alhambra) will host performances by various choirs from local Orthodox parishes and the combined voices of POYAC (Pan-Orthodox Young Adult Choir), featuring hymns based on the Psalms of King David and a sing-along finale by all choir members and the audience! Admission is free. Concert begins at 3PM followed by a reception. Great Vespers at 6PM. For more info call 626-284-9100 or email POYAC.LA@gmail.com.

A "Summertime Feast" at George's Greek Café – August 25

You are invited to join in a "Summertime Feast" with the members of the Theseus Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope at 12 Noon on the courtyard patio of George's Greek Café (135 Pine Avenue, Long Beach.) The cost is \$35. Please RSVP by August 16 to Dolores Louros at 310-548-1610.

"Chocolate Covered Comedy for Life!" A comedy benefit for the Pregnancy Help Center in Torrance

The Torrance Pregnancy Help Center invites you to a hilarious evening with popular "clean" Christian comedian, Kerri Pomarolli on Friday, August 24 at 7:00PM at Kings Harbor Church (23915 Garnier St., Torrance). Tickets are \$12 each. RSVP by emailing Tara at allkidsareamazing@gmail.com.