

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LUKE

CONCEPTION OF THE HOLY PROPHET, FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN  
 MARTYRS OF AFRICA: ANDREW, JOHN, PETER, AND ANTHONY; VIRGIN-MARTYR RAIS,  
 VENERABLE XANTHIPPE & HER SISTER POLYXENE; NEO-MARTYR NICHOLAS OF CONSTANTINOPLE (1672)

**Sunday, September 23, 2018**

## Sermon: When Does Life Begin?

### Orthros

Tone: Eight

Sixth Eothinon: Luke 24:36-53

### Divine Liturgy

Epistle: Galatians 4:22-27 (of St. John)

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11 (pg. 94)

Epistle Reader: Jan Chilimidos

Prophora: Tony Kostas

Coffee Hour Set-Up: Helen Anastassiou & Pagona Athanitis

Coffee Hour Hostesses: Mary LaRiccia, Mary Peters

Parish Council: John Giakouminakis, Christos Tzelepis, Andy Mitrosilis

Memorials: Cris P. Eliopoulos, 5 years; Ulysses "Lou" Xenos, 29 years; Helen Xenos, 11 years;  
 Michael Xenos, 19 years; Meobhan McArdle, 48 years; John O'Brian, 25 years

Altar Boys Team: Four

Next Week's Team: Five

Parish Schedule for the Week September 23, 2018		
<b>Sunday, September 23</b>	<b>Orthros</b> (also commemorating St. John the Theologian-9/26) <b>Divine Liturgy</b> Sunday School – 1 <sup>st</sup> day of class "Study in Faith" – Adult Orthodox Education (Fotion Hall)	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 11:00 AM
<b>Monday, September 24</b>	<b>Greek Dance Practice</b>	5:00 PM
<b>Tuesday, September 25</b>	<b>Seniors Play Rehearsal</b> (Fotion Fellowship Hall) <b>YAL Basketball Practice</b>	9:30 AM 7:00 PM
<b>Wednesday, September 26</b> <i>St. John the Theologian</i>	<b>Seniors Play Rehearsal</b> (FFH) <b>Capital Campaign Meeting</b> (Petrofanis Conference Room) <b>Parish Council Meeting</b>	9:30 AM 4:00 PM 6:00 PM
<b>Thursday, September 27</b>		
<b>Friday, September 28</b>	<b>Greek Language School</b>	4:00 PM
<b>Saturday, September 29</b> <i>Kyriakos of Palestine</i>	<b>Greek Language School</b> <b>AHEPA Day at the Park</b> (at Wilderness Park) <b>Choir Practice</b>	9:00 AM 10 AM - 4 PM 12:00 PM

**Resurrection Hymn (Tone Eight):** Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθε

*Descending from on high, O Merciful Lord, for us did You endure three days in the tomb, that we may be released from passions in this world. You who are our resurrection and our life, glory unto You, O Lord.*

### New Ecclesiastical Year Resolutions!

If you haven't turned in your pledge card for 2018, perhaps you were waiting for the "new year." Now that our new church year has officially begun, there are no excuses left! Resolve to be the best steward you can be and turn in your 2018 pledge card. Pledge cards are available in the church office or pledge online at [www.StKatherineGOC.org](http://www.StKatherineGOC.org) and press the "Stewardship" icon. Happy New Year!

### Sunday School Registration

Although last Sunday was our official Youth Sunday kick-off, you can still register your children for Sunday School today! After communion, take your child directly to their classroom in the Caras Education Center: PreSchool (#105); Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Grade (#205); 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (#204); 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade (#203); Grades 4 & 5 (#209); Middle School-Grades 6-8 (#207); High School-Grades 9-12 (#200). Teachers will ask you to review or complete a Registration/Medical Release form for your child.

### Youth Ministry Group Sign-Ups – Don't miss our FIRST SKY NIGHT coming up soon (Friday, October 5)

If you missed Youth Sunday last week you can still register your child for their age appropriate Youth Ministry group (i.e. Little Lambs, HOPE, JOY, Jr. GOYA & Sr. GOYA) at our upcoming first Saint Katherine Youth (SKY) Night of the year on October 5. You can sign-up for Greek School, Greek Dance, Basketball, Youth Choir at any of their regular meetings. Watch your weekly bulletins for meeting dates and times.

### Dr. Corina Gheorghiu to offer a class on Parenting as part of our Marriage & Family Ministry

Please fill out and return the enclosed questionnaire to Dr. Corina so she can tailor the class to best meet the needs of our community. Please send the completed questionnaire to Dr. Corina at [2CorinaG@gmail.com](mailto:2CorinaG@gmail.com).

### AHEPA "Day at the Park" – Saturday, September 29, 10 am-4 pm

AHEPA invites you to a relaxing excursion to the Hopkins Wilderness Park (where Knob Hill ends at El Camino). \$10 suggested donation includes lunch. RSVP to Tony Kostas at 310-316-0884 or at [adonakis55@gmail.com](mailto:adonakis55@gmail.com).

### PAOI "Heavenly Vestments" Exhibit and Luncheon – Sunday, September 30, 12:30 pm

*Don't miss this wonderful opportunity* to see these beautiful and rare vestments from the personal collection of His Eminence Metropolitan Nikitas of the Dardanelles. Exhibition and lunch hosted at St. Anthony (Pasadena.) All proceeds will benefit the Patriarch Athenagoras Orthodox Institute (PAOI). Adults: \$45; Children under 15: \$15. Reservations required. For info or to RSVP contact Tina Callas at 818-388-7818 or [paoi.socal@gmail.com](mailto:paoi.socal@gmail.com).

### SAVE THE DATES! Upcoming Philoptochos Events

Sat. 10/6: Annual Blessing of the Animals at St. Katherine. Sun. 10/7: Philoptochos General Assembly Meeting following coffee hour. Sat. 11/17: The Metropolis of San Francisco Philoptochos annual *Light the Path* luncheon will be held at Assumption parish (Long Beach). This festive Christmas event raises funds for the Bishop Anthony Philoptochos Student Aid Endowment Fund which helps support our Metropolis students at Holy Cross/College.

### SAVE THE DATE! Blessing of the Animals (pets) – Saturday, October 6 – 10 am Sharp!

This year the blessing of the Animals is back on home turf! Event parking will be available in the St. Katherine lot or on the streets. All animals big or small are welcome but must stay with the owner and be either caged or properly restrained on a leash. Blessed biscuits will be on hand for your furry friend. See you then!

### Saint Sophia Camp Annual Golf Tournament & Fundraiser – October 5, 2018

This major fundraiser for our beloved camp program helps keep the cost to campers as low as possible and also helps the camp committee offer full scholarships to those children who cannot afford to attend. This year's tournament will be held at the California Country Club in Whittier. \$185 registration fee include greens fees, brunch, gift bag, lamb bbq, dinner, appetizers, cocktail hour and awards reception. Non golfers are welcome to attend the banquet, tickets available for \$50. For more information contact one of the co-chairs: Stephanie Caiopoulos-Lubian at 909-861-1012 or Nick Ananias at 562-552-1178, or send an email to [Golf4LAcamp@aol.com](mailto:Golf4LAcamp@aol.com). To register online please visit [www.SaintSophiaCamp.org](http://www.SaintSophiaCamp.org), click on the EVENTS menu.

### SAVE THE DATE! University lecture "Greek (and its) People" – Sunday, October 21 at 3 pm

Professor Simos Zenios will present the lecture *Greek (and its) People: Making Communities in and through Modern Greek Studies* at UCLA's Royce Hall (Rm314). Reception to follow. RSVP to [Hellenic@humnet.ucla.edu](mailto:Hellenic@humnet.ucla.edu).

### Sponsored coffee hour – May their memory be eternal!

Offered in loving memory of Cris Eliopoulos by the Eliopoulos Family and in loving memory of Ulysses Xenos, Helen Xenos, Michael Xenos, Meobhan McArdle & John O'Brian by the Xenos & Bunting Families.