

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT – VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

HIEROMARTYR HYPATIOS THE WONDERWORKER & BISHOP OF GAGRA, ST. INNOCENT ENLIGHTENER OF ALASKA

MARTYRS: AVDA THE BISHOP, BENJAMIN THE DEACON & THEIR 9 COMPANIONS, MENANDER, AND THE 38 RELATIVES

VENERABLE AKAKIOS THE CONFESSOR & BISHOP OF MITILINE, VLASIOS OF AMORIA, AND STEFANOS THE WONDERWORKER

Sunday, March 31, 2019

Sermon: Sympathy, Mercy, Grace, and Gentleness

Orthros

Tone: Three

Eleventh Eothinon: John 21:15-25

Divine Liturgy

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:1-6 (pg. 140)

Gospel: Mark 8:34-38; 9:1 (pg. 141)

Epistle Reader: Arlene Staich

Prophora: Xenia Tzortzoudakis

Coffee Hour Set-Up: Carolyn Crossley and Elaine Wade In April: Helen Anastassiou & Pagona Athanitis

Coffee Hour Hostesses: Annamarie Kallas, Mary LaRiccia, Cathy Stevens

Parish Council: Ron Wade, Craig Brothers, Tony Kostas

Memorial: Athanasios Angouras, 5 years

Trisagion: Martha Wolfe, 3 days

Altar Boys Team: Five

Next Week's Team: One

Parish Schedule for the Week March 31, 2019		
Sunday, March 31	Orthros Divine Liturgy Adult Catechism Class (CANCELLED) Sunday School GOBL Home Game (vs. St. Anthony)	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 2:00 PM
Monday, April 1	Compline & Confessions	7:00 PM
Tuesday, April 2	YAL Basketball Practice	7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 3	Boys Basketball Practice Pre-Sanctified Liturgy	7:00 PM 7:00 PM
Thursday, April 4	Girls Basketball Practice	7:00 PM
Friday, April 5	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy & Confessions Hellenic Culture Program Greek Language School 4 th Salutations Service	10:00 AM 11:00 AM 4:00 PM 7:00 PM
Saturday, April 6	Greek Language School Choir Practice (Fotion Fellowship Hall) GOBL Quarter Finals (first round of two) venue & time to be announced	9:00 AM 1:00 PM TBA

Apolytikion for the Veneration of the Holy Cross (Tone One - Ἦχος α')

Save, O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance. Give victory to those who battle evil, and protect us all by Your Holy Cross. (Σώσον Κύριε τὸν λαόν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς Βασιλεῦσι κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.)

Resurrection Hymn (Tone Three): Εὐφραίνεσθω τὰ οὐράνια

Let all things above in heaven rejoice, and let all things below on earth be glad. With all the might and strength of His arm an eternal deed the Lord did perform. Beneath His feet He has trampled down death by death. And first born of the dead has He become. From the depths of Hades has He delivered us, and to all the world has granted His great redeeming mercy.

In honor of the Holy Cross – Special collection today to benefit Hellenic College/Holy Cross Seminary

At the request of His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos, we will be taking a second collection tray today in support of Holy Cross Seminary. Make checks payable to Metropolis of San Francisco, memo “HC/HC”.

Online Giving, it's EASY, secure and convenient! TRY IT!

Go to www.StKatherineGOC.org and select "Donate" and "Stewardship" from the drop down menu. Click on the *Abundant Online Giving*, link. You can also easily get to the site by texting STKGOC to 73256 on your smartphone.

Great Lent – Book your Lenten confession appointment without delay

Lent and confession go hand in hand. Fr. Michael will hear confessions (by appointment only) after services on Monday evenings and Friday mornings. For appointments please call the church office at 310-540-2434.

Spring Parish Assembly – Sunday, May 5 – Amended Parish By-Laws to be presented

Per Article 31 of the Uniform Parish Regulations, the Parish Council is calling a parish assembly for members “in good standing”. Attendees will be asked to consider updates to our parish by-laws. Copies of the current/approved by-laws as well the proposed amended/restated by-laws can be accessed from the church website www.StKatherineGOC.org. Hard copies are also available from the church office or from the Parish Council table during the coffee hour. Please plan on attending this important meeting as our current by-laws require that at least 50 members be present in order for the process to move forward.

GOBL Home Game TODAY!

Our teams would much appreciate your support while they are on “home turf”. If you can, stay around or return after lunch and cheer our teams on to victory!

Fresh-baked tsourekia for your Pascha table – Pre order today for only \$10/loaf

Order your lovingly baked traditional Easter bread (tsourekia) today at the Philoptochos table or by emailing Mary Pruitt (pruitt@usc.edu). Make checks out to St. Katherine Philoptochos: memo: “Tsourekia”. Loaves will be available for pick-up on Palm Sunday. Proceeds and donations this year will go to support the St. Nicholas Shrine.

Palm Sunday Luncheon – An annual tradition – be sure to RSVP before prices go up on April 14

Palm Sunday will be here before you know it (April 21). Reserve your seats soon for this beloved event. Fish Plaki(\$20) or pasta(\$10) meals will be served. Turn in your paid reservations as soon as possible.

In lieu of SKY Night... GOYA Night & the art of tying palm Crosses – Friday, April 19 at 6PM

Adults are invited to join our Sr. & Jr. GOYAns as they prepare Palm Crosses for distribution on Palm Sunday. We will enjoy fellowship, a Lenten meal and then we will help our young people make Palm Crosses. Our youth will also have the opportunity for confession with Fr. Michael.

St. Katherine Foundation Scholarships - Applications due *April 10, 5:00PM*. Award Ceremony, Sunday, *May 19*.

Hellenic Culture Program – This Friday (April 5) at 11AM – All are welcome to attend!

Join us for two interesting presentations. Vera Lambase will be talking about the legendary operatic soprano, Maria Callas. Following will be LMU's Dr. Katerina Zacharia who will present a talk about ancient Greek tragedy.

Green Hills opening a brand new section with discounted initial offering prices for St. Katherine members

In an effort to educate our community on the financial and emotional benefits of advanced planning, Nina Papadakis is now working with Green Hills to assist our congregation. Contact Nina Papadakis by April 30 at 310-521-4476 or by email at npapadakis@ghmp.com to qualify for the most substantial savings.

Norwegian Theologian, Rev. Dr. Olav Fyske Tveit to deliver the inaugural “Michael Huffington Lecture”

Tveit (General Secretary of the World Council of Churches) will present his lecture, *Christ's Love Moves the World to Reconciliation and Unity*, on Tuesday, April 2 at 7PM at LMU's Roski Dining Room. Dinner to follow and discussion with Fr. Alexei Smith of the Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and Bishop Mary Ann Swenson of the United Methodist Church. RSVP to www.Bellarmine.LMU.Edu/Huffington.

Sponsored Coffee Hour – May their memory be eternal

In memory of Athanasios Angouras by the Angouras Family, and in memory of Martha Wolfe by the Wolfe Family.