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Sunday, July 17, 2022 / Sunday of the Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council

Apolytikion of the tone of the week (Tone 4)

Τὸ φαιδοὸν τῆς Ἀναστάσεως κήουγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἁγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριαι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Angel the joyful message of the Resurrection and had rejected the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world.

Apolytikion of the Holy Fathers

Ύπεοδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χοιστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ φωστῆρας ἐπὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας ἡμῶν θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς ὁδηγήσας· πολυεύσπλαγχνε, δόξα σοι.

Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our God. You established the holy Fathers upon the earth as beacons, and through them You have guided us all to the true Faith, O greatly merciful One, glory be to You.

Apolytikion of our Church

Ως τῶν αἰχμαλώτων ἐλευθερωτής, καὶ τῶν πτωχῶν ὑπερασπιστής, ἀσθενούντων ἰατρός, βασιλέων ὑπέρμαχος, Τροπαιοφόρε Μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

As liberator of captives, defender of the poor, physician of the ailing, and champion of Kings, beseech Christ our God, O great martyr George, Standard Bearer, for the salvation of our souls.

Kontakion

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, Μὴ παρίδης ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὧς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοί. Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ίκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

A protection of Christians unshamable, Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, reject not the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good; Your loving help bring unto us, Who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercede, and speed now to supplicate, As a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

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The Epistle Reading - Sunday, July 17, 2022

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous. Blessed are they whose transgressions have been forgiven.

The Reading is from St. Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15

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 Tychicos 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; see that they 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.

Πρὸς Τίτον 3:8-15

Πιστὸς ὁ λόγος, καὶ περὶ τούτων βούλομαί σε διαβεβαιοῦσθαι, ἵνα φροντίζωσιν καλῶν ἔργων προἵστασθαι οἱ πεπιστευκότες θεῷ. ταῦτά ἐστιν καλὰ καὶ ἀφέλιμα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις · μωρὰς δὲ ζητήσεις καὶ γενεαλογίας καὶ ἔριν καὶ μάχας νομικὰς περιἵστασο, εἰσὶν γὰρ ἀνωφελεῖς καὶ μάταιοι. αιρετικὸν ἄνθρωπον μετὰ μίαν καὶ δευτέραν νουθεσίαν παραιτοῦ, εἰδὼς ὅτι ἐξέστραπται ό τοιοῦτος καὶ άμαρτάνει, ὢν αὐτοκατάκριτος. Ὅταν πέμψω Αρτεμᾶν πρὸς σὲ ἢ Τυχικόν, σπούδασον ἐλθεῖν πρός με εἰς Νικόπολιν, ἐκεῖ γὰρ κέκρικα παραχειμάσαι. Ζηνᾶν τὸν νομικὸν καὶ Απολλῶν σπουδαίως πρόπεμψον, ἵνα μηδὲν αὐτοῖς λείπη. μανθανέτωσαν δὲ καὶ οἱ ἡμέτεροι καλῶν ἔργων προἵστασθαι εἰς τὰς ἀναγκαίας χρείας, ἵνα μὴ ὧσιν ἄκαρποι. Ασπάζονταί σε οἱ μετ 'ἐμοῦ πάντες. Ἄσπασαι τοὺς φιλοῦντας ἡμᾶς ἐν πίστει. ἡ χάρις μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν.



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The Gospel Lesson - Sunday, July 17, 2022

Sunday of the Holy Fathers

The Reading is from Matthew 5:14-19

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

Κατὰ Ματθαῖον 5.14-19

Εἶπεν ὁ Κὐριος τοῖς ἑαυτοῦ μαθηταῖς. Ύμεῖς ἐστε τὸ φῶς τοῦ κόσμου. οὐ δύναται πόλις κρυβῆναι ἐπάνω ὄρους κειμένη οὐδὲ καίουσιν λύχνον καὶ τιθέασιν αὐτὸν ὑπὸ τὸν μόδιον ἀλλὰ ἐπὶ τὴν λυχνίαν, καὶ λάμπει πᾶσιν τοῖς ἐν τῆ οἰκία. Οὕτως λαμψάτω τὸ φῶς ὑμῶν ἔμπροσθεν τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ὅπως ἴδωσιν ὑμῶν τὰ καλὰ ἔργα καὶ δοξάσωσιν τὸν πατέρα ὑμῶν τὸν ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς. Μὴ νομίσητε ὅτι ἦλθον καταλῦσαι τὸν νόμον ἢ τοὺς προφήτας οὐκ ἦλθον καταλῦσαι ἀλλὰ πληρῶσαι. Ἀμὴν γὰρ λέγω ὑμῖν, ἕως ἄν παρέλθη ὁ οὐρανὸς καὶ ἡ γῆ, ἰῶτα εν ἢ μία κεραία οὐ μὴ παρέλθη ἀπὸ τοῦ νόμου ἕως ἄν πάντα γένηται. Ὁς ἐὰν οὖν λύση μίαν τῶν ἐντολῶν τούτων τῶν ἐλαχίστων καὶ διδάξη οὕτως τοὺς ἀνθρώπους, ἐλάχιστος κληθήσεται ἐν τῆ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν. ος δὰν ποιήση καὶ διδάξη, οὖτος μέγας κληθήσεται ἐν τῆ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν.

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50- to 60-year-olds) to join our weekly photo ID sessions. Join us looking at photos so we can n. Please help us get another step closer to completing this project.

Thank you, Meleti and Phil

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday July 18

Anagennesis 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday July 19

Library Memory Project Zoom Picture ID 7 p.m.

Sunday July 24

Orthros 8:45 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

This morning we will be offering 40 day memorial services for George and Zoitsa Kitsis and Arthur Tolios. May their memories be eternal.

Altar candles this morning are provided in loving memory of Arthur Tolios by Vasilike Tolios and family.

This morning, the coffee hour is sponsored by Christine Samaras for the 40-day memorial of George & Zoitsa Kitsis. May their memory be eternal.

Join us as we cook for GLENDI!

We had a break to enjoy the summer in July, but note the upcoming dates when we can all enjoy some socializing as we make GLENDI goodies!

August 8

GLENDI Cooking: Kourambiethes with Angela

August 23

Glendi Cooking: Koulourakia with Diane

August 30

Glendi Cooking: Finikia with Georgia and Marie

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Sept 14

GLENDI Cooking: Galaktoboureko

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+ A REMARKABLE WOMAN OF FAITH + +

erhaps the most remarkable family in all of Christendom was that of St. Basil the Elder and St. Emmelia, who lived in the early fourth century in the land of Cappadocia, Asia Minor (today's Turkey). Both sons and daughters of this pious family are listed among the illustrious saints of the Church.

The eldest of the daughters was ST. MACRINA. It was this woman who had a profound influence on her brother, St. Basil the Great, one of the giant Hierarchs of Christianity. She was a woman of beauty and brains, as well as of profound piety and faith in Christ. She was engaged to be married, but the young man died suddenly, and this turn of events was to influence the remaining course of her life.

St. Macrina turned the family estate into a center of Christian life. The poor and disadvantaged found a refuge there; she got help from her brothers and sisters to establish an orphanage and a hospital; she gathered about herself dedicated women to serve the needs of the community in the name of the Lord. The place was a virtual lighthouse, shining with the light of Christ in a dark and sinful world.

But St. Macrina was not only great in the management of this Christian enterprise, she excelled as well in the knowledge and understanding of Holy Scripture and the theology of the faith. It is said that she knew much of the Bible by memory and was able to help people in distress by explaining passages of Holy Writ.

What an example this family is for our day, when destructive forces have eroded the structure of family life. It would help to acquaint ourselves with these Christians of an era long since past, but whose lives shine with Christian virtue to inspire us in our journey through life. St. Macrina fell asleep in Christ in the year 379.

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