Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church



April 21st, 2024 Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

Mission Statement

To Engage, Serve, and Enrich the lives of Orthodox Christians, through Word, Worship, and Outreach, and to Welcome all people to live the Orthodox Christian way of life.

Our Clergy:

Fr. Timothy Pavlatos, Proistamenos Fr. Philip Armstrong, Priest Emeritus Fr. Demetrios Kavouras, Priest Emeritus

Sunday Service Times: 8:15 a.m. Orthros, 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

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Church Office Hours:

Tuesday-Thursday 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Closed 12:00-1:00 p.m. for lunch Fr. Timothy is off on Thursdays.

Metropolis of San Francisco / Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

Hymns at the Small Entrance

Resurrection Apolytikion

Let us worship the Word, Who is unoriginate with the Father and the Spirit, and from a virgin was born for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. For in His goodness He was pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, and to raise up those who had died, by His glorious Resurrection.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν έκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα είς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, άνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν ὁτι ηὐδόκησε σαρκί, άνελθεῖν έν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ έγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, έν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Apolytikion of St. Mary of Egypt

In thee the image was preserved with exactness, O Mother; for taking up thy cross, thou didst follow Christ, and by thy deeds thou didst teach us to overlook the flesh, for it passeth away, but to attend to the soul since it is immortal. Wherefore, O righteous Mary, thy spirit rejoiceth with the Angels.

Εν σοὶ Μῆτερ ἀκριβῶς διεσώθη τὸ κατ' είκόνα λαβοῦσα γὰρ τὸν ταυρόν, ἡκολούθησας τῷ Χριστῷ, καὶ πράττουσα ἐδίδασκες ὑπερορᾶν μὲν σαρκὸς παρέρχεται

γάρ, έπιμελεῖσθαι δὲ ψυχῆς, πράγματος άθανάτου διὸ καὶ μετὰ Αγγέλων συναγάλλεται Οσία Μαρία τὸ πνεῦμά σου.

Apolytikion of St. Katherine

Let us sing the praise of the Bride of Christ renown, * the Patroness of Sinai, Katherine Divine. * Our assistance and protection, * for she has brilliantly subdued, * the impious refined, by the power of the Spirit. * She was crowned as a martyr of the Lord, * and for all, she entreats His great mercy.

Τὴν πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστοῦ ὑμνήσωμεν, Αίκατερῖναν τὴν θείαν καὶ πολιοῦχον Σινᾶ, τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν καὶ ἀντίληψιν, ὅτι ἐφίμωσε λαμπρῶς, τοὺς κομψοὺς τῶν ἀσεβῶν, τοῦ Πνεύματος τῇ μαχαίρᾳ, καὶ νῦν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πᾶσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Kontakion

O Champion General, I your City now inscribe to you triumphant anthems as the tokens of my gratitude, being rescued from the terrors, O Theotokos. Inasmuch as you have power unassailable, from all kinds of perils free me, so that unto you I may cry aloud: Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.

Τῆ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, Ως λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εύχαριστήρια, Αναγράφω σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Αλλ' ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, Εκ παντοίων με κινδύνων έλευθέρωσον, ἴνα κράζω σοι Χαῖρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

Epistle Reading: Hebrews 9:11-14

BRETHREN, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the

flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 9:11-14

Αδελφοί, Χριστὸς δὲ παραγενόμενος άρχιερεὺς τῶν μελλόντων άγαθῶν, διὰ τῆς μείζονος καὶ τελειοτέρας σκηνῆς, οὐ χειροποιήτου, τοῦτ΄ ἔστιν, οὐ ταύτης τῆς κτίσεως, οὐδὲ δι΄ αἴματος τράγων καὶ μόσχων, διὰ δὲ τοῦ ίδίου αἴματος είσῆλθεν ἐφάπαξ είς τὰ ἄγια, αίωνίαν λύτρωσιν εὺράμενος. Εί γὰρ τὸ αἷμα ταύρων καὶ τράγων, καὶ σποδὸς δαμάλεως ραντίζουσα τοὺς κεκοινωμένους, ὰγιάζει πρὸς τὴν τῆς σαρκὸς καθαρότητα, πόσω μᾶλλον τὸ αἷμα τοῦ Χριστοῦ, ὂς διὰ πνεύματος αίωνίου ὲαυτὸν προσήνεγκεν ἄμωμον τῷ θεῷ, καθαριεῖ τὴν συνείδησιν ὑμῶν ἀπὸ νεκρῶν ἔργων, είς τὸ λατρεύειν θεῷ ζῶντι;

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:32-45

At that time, Jesus took his twelve disciples, and he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Έκ τοῦ Κατὰ Μᾶρκον 10:32-45 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, παραλαβάνει ὁ Ἰησοῦς τοὺς δώδεκα μαθητάς αὐτοῦ καὶ ἤρξατο αὐτοῖς λέγειν τὰ μέλλοντα αὐτῷ συμβαίνειν, ὅτι ίδοὺ ἀναβαίνομεν είς Ἱεροσόλυμα καὶ ὁ υὶὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδοθήσεται τοῖς ἀρχιερεῦσι καὶ γραμματεῦσι, καὶ κατακρινοῦσιν αὐτὸν θανάτῳ καὶ παραδώσουσιν αὐτὸν τοῖς ἔθνεσι, καὶ ἐμπαίξουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ μαστιγώσουσιν αὐτὸν καὶ ἐμπτύσουσιν αὐτῷ καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν αὐτόν, καὶ τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἀναστήσεται. Καὶ προσπορεύονται αὐτῷ Ἰάκωβος καὶ Ἰωάννης υὶοὶ Ζεβεδαίου λέγοντες· διδάσκαλε, θέλομεν ἴνα δ ἐὰν αἰτήσωμεν ποιήσῃς ἡμῖν. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τί θέλετε ποιῆσαί με ὑμῖν; οὶ δὲ εἶπον αὐτῷ· δὸς ἡμῖν ἴνα εἶς ἐκ δεξιῶν σου καὶ εἶς ἐξ εύωνύμων σου καθίσωμεν ἐν τῇ δόξῃ σου. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· οὐκ οἴδατε τί αἰτεῖσθε. δύνασθε πιεῖν τὸ ποτήριον δ ἐγὼ πίνω, καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα δ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθῆναι; οὶ δὲ εἶπον αὐτῷ· δυνάμεθα. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τὸ μὲν ποτήριον δ ἐγὼ πίνω πίεσθε, καὶ τὸ βάπτισμα δ ἐγὼ βαπτίζομαι βαπτισθήσεσθε· τὸ δὲ καθίσαι ἐκ δεξιῶν μου καὶ ἐξ εὐωνύμων οὐκ ἔστιν ἐμὸν δοῦναι, ἀλλ' οἶς ἡτοίμασται. Καὶ ἀκούσαντες οὶ δέκα ἥρξαντο άγανακτεῖν περὶ Ἰακώβου καὶ Ἰωάννου. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς προσκαλεσάμενος αὐτοὺς λέγει αὐτοῖς· οἴδατε ὅτι οἱ δοκοῦντες ἄρχειν τῶν έθνῶν κατακυριεύουσιν

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αύτῶν καὶ οὶ μεγάλοι αύτῶν κατεξουσιάζουσιν αύτῶν· ούχ οὕτω δὲ ἔσται έν ὑμῖν, άλλ΄ ὂς έὰν θέλῃ γενέσθαι μέγας έν ὑμῖν, ἔσται ὑμῶν διάκονος, καὶ ὂς έὰν θέλῃ ὑμῶν γενέσθαι πρῶτος, ἔσται πάντων δοῦλος· καὶ γὰρ ὁ υὶὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ούκ ἦλθε διακονηθῆναι, άλλὰ διακονῆσαι, καὶ δοῦναι τὴν ψυχὴν αύτοῦ λύτρον ἀντὶ πολλῶν.

Service Schedule-Week of April 21st

Sunday, April 21st-Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

Catechumen meeting: Our final meeting before Pascha is today, in the upstairs conference room. All Catechumens please attend.

6:00 p.m. Pan-Orthodox Great Vespers at Sts. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church

Monday, April 22nd

6:00 p.m. Great Compline (Followed by a brief reflection)

Wednesday, April 24th

6:00 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, April 26th

7:00 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers (Eve of the Raising of Lazarus)

Saturday, April 27th - Lazarus Saturday

8:00 a.m. Orthros

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Lenten Brunch & Palm Cross folding

6:00 p.m. Great Vespers & Pre-Communion Prayers

Appointment & Confession Schedule

If you need to schedule an appointment or confession with Fr. Timothy, please do so before Palm Sunday. Holy Week is the busiest time in the Church. The priest has 20 services in 9 days, in addition to all the organization and moving parts during this time. Thank you!

Today we commemorate:

- The Holy Hieromartyr Januarius and Those With Him
- Our Holy Father Maximian, Patriarch of Constantinople
- Theodore the Holy Martyr & his mother Philippa of Perge

These Martyrs contested for piety's sake in Campania of Italy, during the reign of Diocletian (284–305), when Timothy was Proconsul. Saint Januarius was the Bishop of Benevento in Campania; he was arrested and taken to Nola, where he was cast into a burning furnace, from which he came forth unharmed; at Puteoli, together with Proculus, Sosius, and Faustus the deacons, Desiderius, reader of the Church of Benevento, and Eurychius and Acutius, nobles from Puteoli, he was cast to wild beasts, which as they came near the Saints, fell affectionately at their feet. Finally they were all beheaded, about the year 305.

Pan-Orthodox Lenten Vesper Services



Thank You!

Heartfelt thanks to the ladies who so graciously prepared the delicious meal for our Pan-Orthodox Lenten reception, and to everyone who worked so hard to make the evening a success!



Spring General Assembly-April 21st

As provided by Uniform Parish Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, a meeting of the St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church will be held in the Community Center, after the dismissal of Liturgy on Sunday, April 21st. All stewards should make plans to attend and participate. Please note: To vote at a General Assembly meeting one must be a current steward. If you have not completed a 2024 pledge card, please do so right away, so that you can participate and vote on issues affecting our parish.

Welcome to Our Visitors

We welcome you with open arms and joy in our Lord, we hope your experience at St. Katherine's is a blessing for you.

Only those who are Baptized and/or Chrismated in the Orthodox faith may receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christians desiring to receive the Body of Blood of



Christ must ensure proper preparation through confession (minimum 4 times a year), reconciliation in your heart with all, and observation of the fasting guidelines set forth by the Church.

If you are not Orthodox, you may approach the Chalice for a blessing. To do this, come to the chalice and simply say, "a blessing please."

If you have any questions please contact r. Timothy: frtimskchurch@gmail.com

Helpful Information:

Sunday School: Sunday School meets after Communion. Grades Pre-K through 8th grade meet in the 4th acre house. Grades 9-12 meet in the conference room up in the choir loft.

Fellowship Hour: Fellowship Hour is being sponsored by the Parish Council.

Dean Pappas Memorial Bookstore: Open on Sundays, after Divine Liturgy.

Hrisi Parea Seniors: Meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month, locations vary.

Please make every effort to arrive for services a little early.

If you arrive late, it is important to observe the following moments in the Divine Liturgy when you should not enter the Nave but wait quietly in the Narthex:

- 1. During the Small Entrance
- 2. During the Epistle Reading
- 3. During the Gospel Reading
- 4. During the Homily
- 5. When the Priest is censing just before the Great Entrance
- 6. During the Great Entrance
- 7. From the Creed until after the Consecration of the Gifts
- 8. During the Lord's Prayer

A Parish Council member will gladly assist if you have any question about the appropriate times to enter the Nave.

Confession Times:

- Saturdays from 5:30 6:00 p.m.
- During Great Vespers immediately following the Great Censing. Please wait in the front pews closest to the Bishop's Throne.
- By appointment (Please contact the church office)

Resources:

- *Complete Church Calendar: https://stkatherineaz.org/parish-calendar
- *Sunday Homilies: https://stkatherineaz.org/homilies
- *For Orthros (Matins) Text visit: AGES Digital Chant Stand
- *Saints, Feasts, Epistle & Gospel readings: https://www.goarch.org/chapel/calendar
- *Livestream on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/
- @stkatherinegreekorthodoxch8030/streams

Please silence cell phones when in church.

St. Irene Philoptochos – EASTER BAKE SALE

Sunday, April 21st & 28th

Pre-order your Easter Sweets now & pick-up at sale so you have them for Easter To Order email Kathy Connell @ madgreekkathy@aol.com or call her at 602-524-1959

Holiday Bake Sale Order Form

# of Packages		Amount	
	Koulourakia – 1 Dozen -	\$10.00	
	Kourabiedes – ½ Dozen -	\$8.00	
	Melomakarona – ½ Dozen -	\$8.00	
	Baklava — 12 Petite Pieces -	\$18.00	
	Sweet Bread - 1 Loaf -	<i>\$15.00</i>	
	Variety Pack –	\$25.00	
	(3 Melo; 3 Kourabiethes; 6 Koulourakia	, 8 Petite Baklava)	
	Hostess Tray - Wrapped -	\$35.00	
	(6 Melo; 6 Kourabiethes; 12 Petite Bakl	ava)	
	•	Total	

Lazarus Saturday Services, Brunch, & Palm Cross Folding

April 27th 8:00 a.m. Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

The ladies of **St. Irene Philoptochos** invite you to a Lenten brunch, after the dismissal of Liturgy, in the Community Center followed by palm cross folding.



Holy Friday Luminaries

The St. Katherine's Dance Group will have luminaries available in the Community Center on April 21st and the 28th. They will be set out for Holy Friday Procession.

* donations greatly appreciated.





Moms & Tots Moms & Tots Moms & Tots Loin us for crafts, storytime, and fellowship every third Thursday at 2:30 PM For more info contact: skfamilyministry@gmail.com

Add some Greek Specialties & Pastries to Your Greek Easter Dinner



Place your order by Thursday April 25th, for pickup on Saturday, April 27th, 2pm and 4pm.

To Place Your Order, click here:

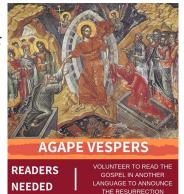
https://orders.atasteofgreeceaz.com/

Agape Vespers Service-Readers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to read the Resurrectional Gospel reading during the Agape Vespers service on Great and Holy Pascha, at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 5th. If you can read another language and are able to attend the service please contact the church office or sign up on the form at the candle stand. . Currently we have volunteers to read in French, Greek, Latin,

Currently we have volunteers to read in French, Greek, Latin, Spanish, and Ukrainian.

We would like to have readers for: Arabic, Armenian, Bulgarian, German, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin, Filipino, Romanian, Swahili, and any other language that readers may have proficiency in.



During the Agape Vespers it is the tradition of the Church to read the Gospel reading (John 20:19-25) in multiple languages. The significance of this practice is two fold:

- 1) It is a reflection and response to the Great Commission which Christ gave to his Apostles following His resurrection from the dead. Following His resurrection He gathered His disciples on the mount in Galilee and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matt. 28:18-19).
- 2) Our proclamation of the Gospel is also a reflection of the restoration of Man and God's creation as the events at the Tower of Babel are reversed (Genesis 11:1-9). Humanity, once divided, is now restored through Christ.

Καλή Ανάσταση!

Young Adult Workshop

Assumption Church: On May 18, Assumption and the Living Orthodox Ministry are hosting a Young Adult Workshop with Dr. Nathan Hoppe, an OCMC missionary serving in Albania for 26 years and counting. Dr. Nathan will be offering a workshop with 4 sessions based around the theme "Your Apostolic Identity As Orthodox Christians". Coffee, Snacks, and Lunch will be provided FREE. Sign up today at https://mssg.io/s/CTVzov



Prayer Requests

(Prayers for the living will be retained on the list for 40 days.)

I Peter 4:7 Be serious and discipline yourselves in prayer. Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you.

Living:

- Zoe, for health
- Alea, for health and healing
- Nektarios, for health and healing
- Nikolaos D, for help with difficulties
- Christopher, for healing and to bring glory to God
- Anna Pantelopoulos, for health and healing
- Kathy Sky, for health and healing
- Martha C., for relief from suffering
- Ioanna, for health and healing
- For our Sunday School teachers and students
- For our catechumens and inquirers
- · Peace in the Holy Land and in Ukraine
- For Fr. Nicholas, the staff, and boys at St. Innocent Orphanage
- For our seminarians: Nikolas Makarios and Andrew Moreno

Departed:

- Terry Catel +
- Denise Deutchman +

Holy Week Opportunities

Myrrh Bearers

Girls ages 6 and older, who would like to serve as "Myrrh Bearers" for the Holy Friday Lamentation Service and Holy

Pascha Resurrection Service, please

contact Antigoni Bhatia 617-308-1860.

Epitaphios adornment

Holy Friday, May 3rd, 8:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Narthex. Everyone is welcome to join us, even if only for a little while; many hands make light work! For more information: Antigoni Bhatia 617-308-1860





OPA! Celebrate Greek

Heritage Night at Chase Field.

Friday, May 24th game vs. the Miami Marlins

and a limited-edition Greek Heritage ball cap.

AHEPA 454 Brothers, Friends & Family will be attending to support our Arizona Greek Community.

Many AHEPA 454 will purchase tickets in section 133, rows 22 to 24.

Click on the link below and purchase your tickets soon so we can all sit together.

Click Here to Purchase Ticket

Greek Heritage Celebration

Friday, May 24, 2024



OPAI The Arizona Diamondbacks are excited to invite YOU to our annual Greek Heritage Celebration at Chase Field on Friday, May 24. Your Special Event package includes a ticket to the Friday, May 24 game vs. the Miami Marlins (first pitch at 6:40PM) and a limited-edition Greek Heritage hat.

There is LIMITED AVALIABILTY for the hat, so buy your tickets NOW!

Please contact Tatum Barstad for groups of 10+ or with any questions:



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St. Irene Philoptochos News

Holiday Basket Donations

Help us fill the Easter Dinner Basket! Philoptochos is collecting money to provide special holiday meals for families in our parish who can use a helping hand.

To donate look for the display in the community center during Fellowship Hour or speak to any Philoptochos Board member.



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2024 Stewardship Update

To date we have 145 families who have pledged \$356,171 toward our 2024 stewardship goal of \$396,000.



Light a Virtual Candle

"I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life. (John 8:12)



At times it may not be possible to physically go to church and light a candle, so we offer this option for those who would like to make an offering of prayer and faith by lighting a virtual candle.

https://stkatherineaz.org/light-a-candle

New Convenient Ways to Give!

Hover your phone camera over the QR code, which will take you to our website. From the menu, click on the Stewardship tab.

Digital payment platforms allow the church to accept stewardship, general or specific donations for any ministry. To ensure your donation is properly allocated, please make a

note in the memo indicating your wishes.



RECOMMENDED LEVELS OF GIVING

PERCENT OF INCOME	5%		8%		10%	
Annual Income	Annual Giving	Weekly	Annual Giving	Weekly	Annual Giving	Weekly
\$20.000	\$1,000	\$19.23	\$1,600	\$30.77	\$2,000	\$38.46
\$40,000	\$2,000	\$38.46	\$3,200	\$61.54	\$4,000	\$76.92
\$60,000	\$3,000	\$57.69	\$4,800	\$92.31	\$6,000	\$115.38
\$80,000	\$4,000	\$76.92	\$6,400	\$123.08	\$8,000	\$153.85
\$100,000	\$5,000	\$96.15	\$8,000	\$153.85	\$10,000	\$192.31
\$125,000	\$6,250	\$120.19	\$10,000	\$192.31	\$12,500	\$240.38
\$150,000	\$7,500	\$144.23	\$12,000	\$230.77	\$15,000	\$288.46
\$200,000	\$10,000	\$192.31	\$16,000	\$307.69	\$20,000	\$384.62



"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Matthew 6:21