St Sophia’s Greek Orthodox Church
Syracuse, New York

Weekly Bulletin
Sunday, October 1, 2023
2nd Sunday of Luke
St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1

Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4
Psalm 75.11,1

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.

Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.
Πρὸς Κορινθίους β' 6:16-18, 7:1

Προκείμενον. Ἡχὸς πλ. δ'
ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 75.11,1

Εὔξασθε καὶ ἀπόδοτε Κυρίῳ τῷ Θεῷ ἡμῶν.

Στίχ. Γνωστὸς ἐν τῇ Ἰουδαίᾳ ὁ Θεός,
ἐν τῷ Ἰσραήλ μέγα τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ.

Πρὸς Κορινθίους β' 6:16-18, 7:1 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἄδελφοί, ύμεῖς ἐστε ναὸς Θεοῦ ζῶντος, καθὼς εἶπεν ὁ θεός ὅτι Ἐνοικήσω ἐν αὐτοῖς, καὶ ἐμπεριπατήσω καὶ ἔσομαι αὐτῶν θεός, καὶ αὐτοὶ ἔσονται μοι λαός. Διὸ, Ἐξέλθετε ἐκ μέσου αὐτῶν καὶ ἀφορίσθητε, λέγει κύριος, καὶ ἀκαθάρτου μὴ ἅπτεσθε κἀγὼ εἰσδέξομαι ύμᾶς, καὶ ἔσομαι ύμῖν εἰς πατέρα, καὶ ύμεῖς ἔσεσθέ μοι εἰς γῆς καὶ θυγατέρας, λέγει κύριος παντοκράτωρ. Ταύτας οὖν ἔχοντες τὰς ἐπαγγελίας, αγαπητοί, καθαρίσωμεν ἑαυτοὺς ἀπὸ παντὸς μολυσμοῦ σαρκὸς καὶ πνεύματος, ἐπιτελοῦντες ἁγιωσύνην ἐν φόβῳ θεοῦ.
The Gospel

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."
Ἅκτον Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 6:31-36
Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· καθὼς θέλετε ἵνα ποιῶσιν ὑμῖν οἱ ἄνθρωποι, ποιεῖτε αὐτοῖς ὅμοιώς. καὶ εἰ ἄγαπάτε τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἀμαρτωλοὶ τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας αὐτοὺς ἄγαπώσι. καὶ ἔαν ἄγαθοποιήτε τοὺς ἄγαθοποιοῦντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἀμαρτωλοὶ τὸ αὐτὸ ποιοῦσι. καὶ ἔαν δανείζητε παρ᾿ ὧν ἐλπίζετε ἀπολαβεῖν, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας ἀγαπῶσι. καὶ ἐὰν ἁμαρτήσῃ τὸν ἁμαρτώντα, ἀπελπίζοντας καὶ ἐσεσθε νεῖπτες τοῦ ὑψίστου, ὅτι αὐτὸς χρηστός ἐστιν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀχαρίστους καὶ πονηροὺς. Γίνεσθε οὖν οἰκτίρμονες, καθὼς καὶ ὁ πατὴρ ὑμῶν οἰκτίρμων ἐστί.
HYMNS OF THE DAY

Ode 8
Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal Fourth Mode

From on high did You descend, 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!

Ἐξ ὕψους κατῆλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώση τῶν παθῶν. Η ζωή καὶ η ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

For St. Ananias in Mode 3.

O holy Apostle Ananias, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses.

Ἀπόστολε Ἅγιε Ἀνανία, πρέσβευε τῷ ἐλεήμονι Θεῷ, ἵνα πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν, παράσχῃ ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

For St. Romanos in Mode pl. 4.

In you, O Father, is preserved undistorted what was made in the image of God; for taking up the cross, you followed Christ and by example taught, that we should overlook the flesh, since it passes away, and instead look after the soul, since it is immortal. And therefore, O devout Romanos, your spirit rejoices with the angels.

Ἐν σοὶ Πάτερ ἀκριβῶς διεσώθη τὸ κατ’ εἰκόνα· λαβὼν γὰρ τὸν σταυρόν, ἠκολούθησας τῷ Χριστῷ καὶ πράττων ἐδίδασκες· ὑπερορᾶν μὲν σαρκός, παρέρχεται γάρ, ἐπιμελεῖσθαι δὲ ψυχῆς πράγματος ἀθανάτου. Διὸ καὶ μετὰ Αγγέλων συναγάλλεται, Ὅσιε Ρωμανέ, τὸ πνεῦμά σου.

Apolytikion for the Church in the Plagal First Mode

Like a most fruitful olive tree you did blossom forth in the folds of the Lord, Sophia, martyr most pious! And to Christ you did bring sweetest fruit: the tender sprouts of your womb, through divine martyrdom, Agape, along with Hope and Faith. The God-minded with whom do you pray to God for all of us.

Kontakion for the Theotokos in the Second Mode

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant! O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee! Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee!

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδῃς, ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνᾶς, ἄλλα πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθῆ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεύδον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἤ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμῶντων σε.
Sunday—October 1, 2023

Memorial
Dimitrios Georgiadis (3 Years)

Trisagion
Freida Georgiadis (10 Years)

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL
JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR!

COFFEE HOUR TODAY
Is Sponsored by the Family
In Memory Of
Dimitrios Georgiadis

A special thank you to the following ladies of our community who have volunteered to donate their time today to serve coffee:
Vasiliki Elovaris & Constantina Georgiadis
Church Services & Events for Today & the Upcoming Week

**Today ~ 2nd Sunday of Luke**
- 8:45 am Orthros
- 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

**Monday ~ October 2, 2023**
- 5:30 pm Jesus Prayer Group

**Tuesday ~ October 3, 2023**
- 10:00 am Bible Study
- 6:00 pm AHEPA Meeting

**Wednesday ~ October 4, 2023**
- 6:00 pm Paraklesis
- 7:00 pm Bible Study
- 8:00 pm Syracuse University OCF

**Thursday ~ October 5, 2023**
- 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

**Saturday ~ October 7, 2023**
- 5:00 pm Great Vespers
A STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITY!
Run for a position on St Sophia's Parish Council!

The Election Committee is seeking candidates to fill four (4) church board positions, expiring at the end of 2023. An official notification will be sent out by the Election Committee dated September 12th. Please feel free to contact one of the Election Committee members if you are interested in or would like to recommend someone to serve a three year term on the Parish Council.

Eligible candidates should be a member in good standing in St. Sophia Parish and a member for a minimum of one year. A candidate in good standing is any person who:

- Was baptized according the rites of the Church, or was received into the Church through chrismation.
- Who lives according to the faith and cannons of the Church
- Has met their Stewardship obligation (completed 2022 obligations and has paid ¾ of their 2023 Stewardship by October 28th, 2023),
- Abides by the by-laws of the Parish.

Candidate filing: Interested candidates will file a simple petition for candidacy, complete a short resume form, and provide a picture.

**Filing deadline is:**
**Sunday, October 22, 2022**
**Election Day is November 12th, 2023.**

Our committee looks forward to speaking with all interested parties. Contact information for the Election Committee is as follows:

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National Church Music Sunday
October 1, 2023
The Pontifical Hymn of Kassiani

Lord, the woman who had fallen into many sins, perceiving Your divinity, fulfilled the part of a myrrh-bearer; and with lamentations she brought sweet-smelling oil of myrrh to You before Your burial. 'Our Lord is mine,' she said, 'for night surrounds me, dark and moonless, and stings my heart with the love of sin. Awe the fountain of my tears, You who drew down from the clouds the waters of the sea. Incline to the groanings of my heart. You who in Your ineffable self-emphazis has bowed down the heavens. I shall kiss Your most pure feet and wipe them with the hairs of my head; those feet whose sound Eve heard at dusk in Paradise and hid herself for fear. Who can search out the multitude of my sins and the abyss of Your judgments. Savior of my soul? Despire me not. Your handmaidens, for You have mercy without measure.'

St. Kassiani the Nun, Poet and Hymnographer

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CHOIR
We welcome everyone to join our Choir
Check the Church Calendar for upcoming Choir Practices