St Sophia’s
Greek Orthodox Church
Syracuse, New York

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Weekly Bulletin
Sunday, February 26, 2023
Forgiveness Sunday
(Cheesefare Sunday)

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Forgiveness Sunday
St. Paul's Letter to the Romans
13:11-14; 14:1-4

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 Letter to the Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4

Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.
Πρὸς ῾Ρωμαίους 13:11-14, 14:1-4

Προκείμενον. ῾Ηχος πλ. δ’.
ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 75.11,1

Εὔξασθε καὶ ἀπόδοτε Κυρίῳ τῷ Θεῷ ἡμῶν.

Στίχ. Γνωστός ἐν τῇ ᾽Ιουδαίᾳ ὁ Θεός,
ἐν τῷ ᾽Ισραήλ μέγα τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ.

Πρὸς ῾Ρωμαίους 13:11-14, 14:1-4 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, νῦν ἐγγύτερον ἡμῶν ἡ σωτηρία ἢ ὅτε ἐπιστεύσαμεν. Η νυξ προέκοψεν, ἡ δὲ ἡμέρα ἤγγικεν· ἀποθώμεθα οὖν τὰ ἔργα τοῦ σκότους, καὶ ἐνδυσώμεθα τὰ ὅπλα τοῦ φωτός. Ὡς ἐν ἡμέρᾳ, εὐσχημόνως περιπατήσωμεν, μή κώμοις καὶ μέθαις, μή κοίταις καὶ ἀσελγείας, μὴ ἔριδι καὶ ξήλω. Ἀλλ’ ἐνδύσασθε τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστόν, καὶ τῆς σαρκὸς πρόνοιαν μὴ ποιεῖσθε, εἰς ἐπιθυμίας. Τὸν δὲ ἀσθενοῦντα τῇ πίστει προσλαμβάνεσθε, μὴ εἰς διακρίσεις διαλογισμῶν. Ὅς μὲν πιστεύει φαγεῖν πάντα, ὁ δὲ ἀσθενῶν λάχανα ἐσθίει. Ὁ ἐσθίων τὸν μὴ ἐσθίοντα μὴ ἐξουθενεῖτω, καὶ ὁ μὴ ἐσθίων τὸν ἐσθίοντα μὴ κρίνετω· ὁ θεὸς γὰρ αὐτὸν προσελάβετο. Σὺ τίς εἰ ὁ κρίνων ἀλλότριον οἰκέτην; Τῷ ἰδίῳ κυρίῳ στήκει ἢ πίπτει. Σταθήσεται δὲ· δυνατὸς γὰρ ἔστιν ὁ θεὸς στῆσαι αὐτὸν.
Forgiveness Sunday

The Gospel
According to Matthew
6:14-21

The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

"And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."
Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Ματθαίου 6:14-21
Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος: Ἐὰν γὰρ ἀφῆτε τοῖς ἀνθρώποις τὰ παραπτώματα αὐτῶν, ἀφήσει καὶ ὑμῖν ὁ πατήρ ὑμῶν ὁ οὐράνιος· ἐὰν δὲ μὴ ἀφῆτε τοῖς ἀνθρώποις τὰ παραπτώματα αὐτῶν, οὐδὲ ὁ πατήρ ὑμῶν ἀφήσει τὰ παραπτώματα ὑμῶν. Ὅταν δὲ νηστεύητε, μὴ γίνεσθε ὥσπερ οἱ ὑποκριταὶ σκυθρωποί· ἀφανίζουσι γὰρ τὰ πρόσωπα αὐτῶν ὅπως φανῶσι τοῖς ἀνθρώποις νηστεύοντες· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι ἀπέχουσι τὸν μισθὸν αὐτῶν. σὺ δὲ νηστεύων ἄλειψαί σου τὴν κεφαλὴν καὶ τὸ πρόσωπόν σου νίψαι, ὅπως μὴ φανῆ ὑμῖν τοῖς ἀνθρώποις νηστεύοντες, ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι ἀπέχουσι τὸν μισθὸν αὐτῶν. σὺ δὲ νηστεύων ἄλειψαί σου τὴν κεφαλὴν καὶ τὸ πρόσωπόν σου νίψαι, ὅπως μὴ φανῆ ὑμῖν τοῖς ἀνθρώποις νηστεύοντες, ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι ἀπέχουσι τὸν μισθὸν αὐτῶν.

Μὴ θησαυρίζετε ύμιν θησαυρούς ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, ὅπου σῆς καὶ βρῶσις ἀφανίζει, καὶ ὅπου κλέπται διορύσσουσι καὶ κλέπτουσι. θησαυρίζετε δὲ ύμιν θησαυρούς ἐν οὐρανῷ, ὅπου οὔτε σῆς οὔτε βρῶσις ἀφανίζει, καὶ ὅπου κλέπται οὐ διορύσσουσιν οὐδὲ κλέπτουσιν· ὅπου γὰρ ἔστιν ὁ θησαυρὸς ύμῶν, ἐκεῖ ἔσται καὶ ἡ καρδία ύμῶν.
Church Services & Events for Today & the Upcoming Week

Today ~ Forgiveness Sunday (Cheesefare Sunday)
   8:45 am Orthros
   10:00 am Divine Liturgy

CHEESEFARE LUNCHEON
   6:00 pm Forgiveness Vespers

Monday—February 27, 2023
   LENT BEGINS
   6:00 pm Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Tuesday—February 28, 2023
   10:00 am Bible Study
   6:00 pm Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Wednesday—March 1, 2023
   9:00 am Canon of St. Andrew of Crete
   6:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy

Thursday—March 2, 2023
   6:00 pm Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Friday—March 3, 2023
   9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy
   6:00 pm Akathist Hymn

Saturday—March 4, 2023
   9:00 am Orthros
   10:00 am Divine Liturgy
   Saturday of Souls
   5:00 pm Great Vespers
Sunday—February 26, 2023

Memorial
Magdaline Kouides (3 Years)

Trisagions
Evdokia Pappas (14 Years)
Marioleni Sargiannis (18 Years)
John Pappas (35 Years)

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL
Philoptochos
Syracuse Chapter
Holy Cross

NO COFFEE HOUR TODAY
JOIN US TODAY FOR
CHEESEFARE
SUNDAY LUNCHEON
~ Philoptochos Sponsored Event ~
To Benefit Family of Michael Shepherd

“Cheesefare Sunday”
Luncheon
TODAY—Sunday, February 26
11:30 am to 1:30 pm
Dine In & Take Out

Pre-Order Only
until Friday—February 24th

Online Pre-Order is for Take Out Only
Website Address
https://st-sophia-greek-orthodox-church.square.site
or
Pre-Order by Phone or Text
Jeanette Vigliotti
Cell (315) 481-7816 or (315) 463-8826

WALK-INS ARE WELCOME

$10 Lunch Menu
Choice of Spanakopita (Spinach Pita)
or Tiropita (Cheese Pita),
Homemade Mac & Cheese,
Fasolatha (Fava Beans “Gigantes”),
Greek Toss Salad with Bread & Butter,
Dessert, Beverage

$5 A La Carte Items
Choice of Spanakopita (Spinach Pita)
or Tiropita (Cheese Pita),
Homemade Mac & Cheese,
Fasolatha (Fava Beans “Gigantes”),
Greek Toss Salad with Bread & Butter

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& σας ευχαριστώ (sas efcharisto)
presents

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Webinar Series

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Tuesday, March 7, 2023
7:00 pm

Session 12 ~ My Practical Guide To Lent

With
Father Soterios Rousakis
Please Join Us!

2023 PAN-ORTHODOX LENTEN VESPERS

Schedule of Services
6:00 pm on Sundays
followed by a Fasting Meal

March 5, 2023
Sunday of Orthodoxy
St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church
325 Waring Road ~ Syracuse, NY 13224

March 12, 2023
Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas
St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Church
4988 Onondaga Road ~ Syracuse, NY 13215

March 19, 2023
Sunday of the Holy Cross
Sts. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church
401 Hamilton Street ~ Syracuse, NY 13204

March 26, 2023
Sunday of St. John Climacus
St. Luke’s Ukrainian Orthodox Church
3290 Warners Road ~ Warners, NY 13164

April 2, 2023
Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt
St. George Macedonian Orthodox Church
5083 Onondaga Road ~ Syracuse, NY 13215
SATURDAYS OF SOULS

February 25, 2023
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy

March 4, 2023
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy

If you would like Father David to remember your beloved family members during this service, please send a list of names by emailing frdavid@stsophias.org or by calling him at (315) 269-4940. Forms will also be available at the candle stand.

DANCE PRACTICE

Dance Practice began on Sunday, February 5th after church. Please reach out to the appropriate dance instructor with questions:

Elementary Group - grades 2-5
Clemente Vigliotti 315-558-7965 ~ Stavros Vigliotti 315-558-8258

Middle School Group - grades 6-8
Penny Meskos 315-559-9632 ~ Dafni Kiritsis 315-395-0331
Tina Intze 315-569-2405

High School Group - grades 9-12
Athena Tzetzis 315-447-0787 ~ Paulie Gasparis 219-588-2439
March 5, 2023
6pm
St. Sophia’s Greek Orthodox Church
325 Waring Rd, Dewitt

Guest Speaker: Steve Christophorou
Director of Operations & Community Engagement for FOCUS North America