St Sophia’s Greek Orthodox Church
Syracuse, New York

Weekly Bulletin
Sunday, May 28, 2023
Fathers of the First Council
IN THOSE DAYS, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesos, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletos he sent to Ephesos and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, 'it is more blessed to give than to receive.' " And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.
Εὐλογητός ει, Κύριε, ὁ Θεός τῶν Πατέρων ἡμῶν. Στίχ. Ὑπνὸν ὑπερασπάσαι τὸν κόσμον ἥμαρτον. Οὗτοι δὲ τῆς Μιλήτου πέμψας εἰς Ἐφέσον μετεκαλέσατο τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους τῆς ἐκκλησίας. Ὡς δὲ παρεγένοντο πρὸς αὐτόν, εἶπεν αὐτοῖς, προσέχετε οὖν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ παντὶ τῷ ποιμνίῳ, ἐν ᾧ ὑμᾶς τῷ πνεύμα τῷ ἅγιον ἔθετο ἐπισκόπους, ποιμαίνειν τὴν ἐκκλησίαν τοῦ κυρίου καὶ θεοῦ, ἣν περιεποιήσατο διὰ τοῦ ἰδίου αἵματος. Εἰ γὰρ ὁ παύλος παραπλεῦσαι τὴν Ἔφεσον, ὅπως μὴ γένηται αὐτῷ χρονοτριβῆσαι ἐν τῇ Ἀσίᾳ ἔσπευδεν γάρ, εἰ δυνατὸν ἦν αὐτῷ, τὴν ἡμέραν τῆς Πεντηκοστῆς γενέσθαι εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα. Αὐτὸ δὲ τῆς Μιλήτου πέμψας εἰς Ἐφέσον μετεκαλέσατο τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους τῆς ἐκκλησίας. Ὡς δὲ παρεγένοντο πρὸς αὐτόν, εἶπεν αὐτοῖς, προσέχετε οὖν ἑαυτοῖς καὶ παντὶ τῷ ποιμνίῳ, ἐν ᾧ ὑμᾶς τῷ πνεύμα τῷ ἅγιον ἔθετο ἐπισκόπους, ποιμαίνειν τὴν ἐκκλησίαν τοῦ κυρίου καὶ θεοῦ, ἤν περιεποιήσατο διὰ τοῦ ἰδίου αἵματος. Ἐγὼ γὰρ οἶδα τούτο, ὅτι εἰσελεύσονται μετὰ τὴν ἁρίζειν μου λύκοι βαρεῖς εἰς ὑμᾶς, μὴ φειδόμενοι τοῦ ποιμνίου καὶ εἰς ἤμοι τούτον αὐτόν ἀναστήσονται ἄνδρες λαλοῦντες διεστραμμένα, τοῦ ἀποστάν τούς μαθητὰς ὑμῖν καὶ αὐτῶν. Διὸ γρηγορεῖτε, μνημονεύοντες ὅτι τριετία νύκτα καὶ ἡμέρα οὐκ ἐπαυσάμην μετὰ δακρύων νουθετῶν ἕνα ἕκαστον. Καὶ τὰ νῦν παρατίθεμαι ὑμῖς, ἀδελφοί, τῷ θεῷ καὶ τῷ λόγῳ τῆς χάριτος αὐτοῦ, τῷ δυναμένῳ ἐποικοδομῆσαι, καὶ δοῦναι ὑμῖν κληρονομίαν ἐν τοῖς ἀσθενοῦσι. Αὐτοὶ γινώσκετε ὅτι ταῖς χρείαις μου καὶ τοῖς ὑπῆρεται αἱ χεῖρες αὗται. Πάντα ὑπέδειξα ὑμῖν, ὅτι ὅτις κοπιῶντας δεῖ ἀντιλαμβάνεσθαι τῶν ἀσθενοῦντων, μνημονεύειν τε τῶν λόγων τοῦ κυρίου θεοῦ, ἵνα αὐτὸς εἰπών, Μακάριον ἔστιν μᾶλλον διδάσκαλος ἠμῶν. Καὶ ταῦτα εἰπών, θεία τὰ γόνατα αὐτοῦ, σὺν πάσιν αὐτοῖς προσηύξατο.
At that time, Jesus lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work which you gave me to do; and now, Father, you glorify me in your own presence with the glory which I had with you before the world was made.

"I have manifested your name to the men whom you gave me out of the world; yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you; for I have given them the words which you gave me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you did send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are mine; all mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves."
Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ὁ ᾿Ιησοῦς, καὶ ἔπηρε τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς αὐτοῦ εἰς τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ εἶπε· πάτερ, ἐλήλυθεν ἡ ὥρα· δόξασόν σου τὸν υἱόν, ἵνα καὶ ὁ υἱὸς σου δοξάσῃ σε, καθὼς ἐδώκας αὐτῷ ἐξουσίαν πάσης σαρκός, ἵνα πᾶν ὁ δέδωκας αὐτῷ δόσῃ αὐτοῖς ζωήν αἰώνιον. αὕτη δὲ ἔστιν ἡ αἰώνιος ζωή, ἵνα γινώσκωσι σε τὸν μόνον ἀληθινὸν Θεόν καὶ ὅν ἀπέστειλας ᾿Ιησοῦν Χριστόν. ἐγὼ σε ἐδόξασα ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, τὸ ἔργον ἐτελείωσα ὁ δέδωκας μοι ἵνα ποιήσω· καὶ νῦν δόξασόν με σύ, πάτερ, παρὰ σεαυτῷ τῇ δόξῃ ἢ εἶχον πρὸ τοῦ τὸν κόσμον εἶναι παρὰ σοί. Ἐφανέρωσά σοι τὸ ὄνομα τοὺς ἀνθρώπους οὓς δέδωκας μοι ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου. σοι ἦσαν καὶ ἐμοὶ αὐτοὺς δέδωκας, καὶ τὸν λόγον σου τετηρήκασι. νῦν ἐγνωκαν ὅτι πάντα ὁσα δέδωκας μοι παρὰ σοῦ ἐστίν· ὅτι τὰ ῥήματα ἀληθῶς ὧν ἐματίσατο, καὶ ἐμῶν ἐκεῖνον ἐπείρατο, ἵνα καὶ ἐμοὶ ἐπέστειλας. Ἐγὼ περὶ αὐτῶν ἐρωτῶ· οὐ περὶ τοῦ κόσμου ἐρωτῶ, ἀλλὰ περὶ τοῦ δέδωκας μοι, ὅτι σοι εἰσί, καὶ τὰ ἐμὰ πάντα σὰ ἐστὶ καὶ τὰ σὰ ἐμά, καὶ δεδόξασμαι ἐν αὐτοῖς, καὶ ὅτι οὐκέτι εἰμὶ ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, καὶ οὕτω ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ εἰσί, καὶ ἐγὼ πρὸς σὲ ἐρχόμαι. πάτερ ἀγιε, ἐπέφη δόξασα ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ σοι τὸ ὄνομα μοι, ἵνα ἔλθῃ τὸ ὄνομά σου ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ ἐν τῇ ἀληθείᾳ, καὶ οὐδεὶς ἐμὸν ἐλεηθῇ εἰ μὴ ὁ υἱὸς τῆς ἀπωλείας, ἵνα ἐν γραφῇ πληρωθῇ. αὐτοῖς δένυμι τήν ἐμὴν χαρὰν παρὰ σοῦ ἐκεῖνον ἐπεληρωμένην ἐν αὐτοῖς.
Sunday—May 28, 2023

Memorial
Katina Dellios (3 Years)

Trisagion
Kalliopi Simianakis (7 Years)

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL
Church Services & Events for Today & the Upcoming Week

Today ~ Fathers of the First Council
8:45 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy

Monday—May 29, 2023
MEMORIAL DAY
CEMETERY SERVICES
8:30 AM WOODLAWN (IN THE CHAPEL)
10:00 AM OAKWOOD (UNDER THE TENT)
5:30 pm Jesus Prayer Group

Tuesday—May 30, 2023
10:00 am Bible Study
5:00 pm Orthodoxy 101

Wednesday—May 31, 2023
6:00 pm Paraklisis
7:00 pm Bible Study

Saturday—June 3, 2023
8:45 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Saturday of Souls

Fr. David has all the names from the Soul Saturday liturgies in February and will use that list. Only contact him if you want to change your list, or if you didn’t submit a list yet. No forms will be on the candle stand, simply contact Fr. David directly via phone (315) 269-4940 or email frdavid@stsophias.org.

5:00 pm Great Vespers
Philoptochos
Syracuse Chapter
Holy Cross

JOIN US TODAY
FOR COFFEE HOUR

Members Volunteering To Serve Coffee Hour
A special thank you to the following members of our community who have volunteered to donate their time to serve coffee today:
Vasiliki Elovaris & Despina Kiritsis

The Bookstore will be closed for the next two weeks and will reopen for the Greek Festival
June 26 to July 1
Oswegatchie Educational Center

REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE ON THE CHURCH WEBSITE
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

2023 GREEK FESTIVAL

Thursday, June 8th
Friday, June 9th
Saturday, June 10th
Sunday, June 11th
Our Greek Festival is a combined effort and we need your help to make it a successful event again this year. Please give your time and talents by volunteering.

Last year for certain volunteer dinner line positions, we utilized an online volunteer sign-up software system with great success. With this online signup we were able to balance our staff volunteers to provide better coverage that ultimately made it more efficient to manage the large number of attendees. This year, we are expanding this online volunteer sign-up to more positions. Below are just some of the positions that will utilize the online sign-up:

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To volunteer for positions, please go to our volunteer sign-up website at: [https://signup.com/go/XFZeUgU](https://signup.com/go/XFZeUgU)
MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES
MONDAY—MAY 29, 2023

WOODLAWN CEMETERY
8:30 AM SERVICE IN THE CHAPEL

OAKWOOD CEMETERY
10:00 AM SERVICE UNDER THE TENT

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If you would like Father David to pray for your loved ones on Memorial Day please provide your list of names by emailing frdavid@stssophias.org

Forms are available at the candle stand