

Sunday, January 12th, 2020 - Sunday after Theophany

This Morning's Readings

St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 4: 7-13

BRETHREN, grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men." (in saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is he who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ

The Gospel According to Matthew 4: 12-17

At that time, when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

This Morning's Hymns

When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest. The Father's voice bore witness to You His beloved Son, and the Spirit in the form of a dove, confirmed His word as sure and steadfast. O Christ our God, Who has appeared and enlightened the world, glory to You!

Έν Ἰορδάνη βαπτιζομένου σου Κύριε, ἡ τῆς Τριάδος ἐφανερώθη προσκύνησις τοῦ γὰρ Γεννήτορος ἡ φωνὴ προσεμαρτύρει σοι, ἀγαπητόν σε Υἰὸν ὀνομάζουσα καὶ τὸ Πνεῦμα ἐν εἴδει περιστερᾶς, ἐβεβαίου τοῦ λόγου τὸ ἀσφαλές. Ὁ ἐπιφανεὶς Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, καὶ τὸν κόσμον φωτίσας δόξα σοι.

O faithful let us sing a hymn of praise and worship to the Logos, Who is co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, Who was born of a Virgin for our salvation. Of His own will He went upon the Cross in the flesh and suffered death to raise the dead through His glorious resurrection.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι ηὐδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἁναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Most blessed are You, O Christ our God, Who by sending down the Holy Spirit upon them, made the fishermen wise and through them illumined the world; and to You the universe was ever drawn, all glory to You, O Lord.

Εὐλογητός εἶ Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός ἡμῶν ὁ πανσόφους τοὺς ἁλιεῖς ἀναδείξας καταπέμψας αὐτοῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Ἅγιον καὶ δι᾽ αὐτῶν τήν οἰκουμένην σαγηνεύσας φιλάνθρωπε, δόξα Σοι.

You appeared today to us on earth, O Master, and Your light was signed on us who cry aloud to You and say with understanding, O Christ our God: You came and shone forth, O Light unapproachable.

Έπεφάνης σήμερον τῆ οἰκουμένῃ, καὶ τὸ φῶς σου Κύριε, ἐσημειώθη ἐφ' ἡμᾶς, ἐν ἐπιγνώσει ὑμνοῦντάς σε. Ἦλθες ἐφάνης τὸ Φῶς τὸ ἀπρόσιτον.

WELCOME VISITORS!

If you are visiting Holy Trinity Cathedral this morning we welcome you in the Name of the Lord! Orthodox Christian worship may be unlike other forms of worship you have encountered but you can follow along in the service book in the pews. (If you need assistance, simply ask the nearest parishioner.) And though Holy Communion is offered only to the Orthodox faithful who are prepared to receive the Holy Gifts, the blessed bread is offered to everyone after the service. Please sign our Guest Book in the narthex and join us for coffee and refreshments in the community center so we can get to know you. May your time with us be blessed!

Announcements

NARTHEX DUTY SCHEDULE - Group 2: George Venetis, Coordinator ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE - Group 2 - St. John Chrysostom EPISTLE READER -

2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Our annual offering envelopes have been delayed due to an equipment problem at the printer. As soon as we receive them they will be available for pickup outside the Cathedral or in the Narthex. In the meantime, there are blank envelopes in the Narthex available for your use.

HOSTS FOR YOUTH HOUSE MEETINGS

Parents: please email Alexander at <u>aeliades@holytrinityphx.org</u> if you are interested in hosting a meeting at your house for your child's age group. Meetings would simply involve a potluck, games, and a discussion. Let us know!

AGAPE BALL

Tickets are for sale in the Large Hall during Coffee Hour through Sunday, January 19.

DESERT DIAMONDS OUTING

On Thursday, January 16, Desert Diamonds will be meeting at 11:15am for a luncheon at the Golden Greek restaurant, 7128 N. 35th Avenue. Your quick response to Julie Karoutas at <u>juliekaroutas@gmail.com</u> or (623) 313-8720. Come, let's celebrate the New Year together!

GOYA WINTER RETREAT

We are thrilled to be offering our annual GOYA Winter Retreat in Flagstaff on January 17-19 for 7-12 graders. Please register at *assumption.org/winterretreat* as soon as possible. For any questions, please email Fr. Jacob Saylor at frjacob@assumption.org.

HOLY TRINITY DANCE'S ANNUAL SOUP & SALAD

Please join us on Sunday, January 26 after Liturgy in the Community Center to support our Holy Trinity Dancers.

FAITH FULFILLMENT: THE LITURGY

Announcing our class for the Spring here at Holy Trinity! Ever have questions about the Divine Liturgy? Come to our Faith Fulfillment class on the Divine Liturgy beginning on Monday, January 27 at 7pm and find out! We'll take a 5-class journey into the meaning of what we do every Liturgy every Monday night at 7pm.

SECURITY CONCEPT FOR OUR PARISHES

January 29, 2020 at 6:00pm at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Officer David Mena, Tactical Training, Phoenix Police Department, will discuss and have Q & A on the concept of Run, Hide, Fight. All parishioners are welcome - especially our Narthex teams, Choir members and youth.

PHOENIX SUNS' FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT

Come and join your Holy Trinity family for the Phoenix Suns Faith and Family Night on Friday, February 28 against the Detroit Pistons. Tickets are \$24 per person. A fun night for the whole family. Please contact Alexander at aeliades@holytrinityphx.org to purchase tickets before January 29.

This Week at Holy Trinity Cathedral		
Today, Sunday 1/12 SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY	8:00 am - Matins 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy Sunday School	11:45 am - Youth Choir rehearsal 12:30pm - Dance practice
Monday 1/13		8:00 pm - Pickup Basketball (HTC Basketball Court)
Wednesday 1/15		5:00 pm - Cultural Greek School 7:00 pm - Choir practice 7:00 pm - Dance practice
Thursday 1/16	9:00 am - HTA Open House 11:15am - Desert Diamonds lunch at Golden Greek	6:00 pm - HTA Board meeting 6:00 pm - AHEPA meeting 6:30 pm - Parish Council meeting ((Conf. room)
Friday 1/17 ST. ANTHONY THE GREAT	8:00 am - Matins 9:00 am - Divine Liturgy	5:00 pm - GOYA Winter Retreat in Flagstaff through Sunday
Saturday 1/118 STS. ATHANASIOS & CYRIL, PATRIARCHS OF ALEXANDRIA	8:00 am - Matins 9:00 am - Divine Liturgy	
Sunday 1/19 12TH SUNDAY OF LUKE	8:00 am - Matins 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy Sunday School	11:45 am - Youth Choir rehearsal No Dance practice

MEMORIALS TODAY:

Steven (Spyridon) Karalekas - 40 days. Offered by Tina Karalekas.

John Rabbitt, Smaro Copetanides, Elias Agnithis, Thanassis Agnithis. Offered by Lyda Rabbitt.

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Speaking the Truth in Love

January 12th, 2020

Today's epistle contains an extremely important clause around which we as Orthodox Christians can base our relations with others and how we can understand our theology. Paul writes to the Ephesians about the gifts of ministry and how all should be used together for the unity of the Church and the edifying of the Body of Christ. Paul then exhorts us to not "be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine." What does this mean? Well, simply it means that we should know what we believe and not accept anything we hear as doctrine! He makes it clear that we cannot pick and choose our doctrine as we see fit, but "speaking the Truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head - Christ."

Fr. Thomas Hopko, who reposed in 2015, wrote a great book and hosted a podcast called, "Speaking the Truth in Love" (for all you podcasters, go listen to it!). In his podcast he tackles a number of contemporary issues and attempts to "speak the Truth in love." Very often in our society we are told we should only speak in love; truth is not something you can dictate to someone else. Paul (and the rest of the Bible and our tradition) spells out that this is not the case. The Truth matters and we find the Truth in the Body of Christ, the Church.

While we are often told we should not speak in truth, we should not go in the opposite direction and in our zeal for the Truth, not speak in love either. Both elements are vital to our life and growth in Christ and neither should be compromised. Without truth, God becomes whatever we want Him to be, we begin to dictate to the world around us, and we become our own god. Without love, we can alienate those around us from the Truth and not participate in our own divinization through our love for God and others.

Finally, what Paul is asking of us is to grow together as the body of Christ (we do this through speaking and acting out the Truth in love) so that the Body can "grow and edify itself in love." As Orthodox Christians, we must take part in the Body of Christ (the Church), come to know the Truth, and thus "grow up" to be full, mature, contributing joints of the Body of Christ. Let's make a pledge to each other that we will attempt to grow towards one another and Him by truly coming to know our God and our Faith. Have questions about where to begin? Ask Father or me, come to Bible Study, or come to our "Faith Fulfillment" classes (Monday nights starting on January 27 at 7pm and focusing on the Divine Liturgy). It is incumbent upon us as Orthodox Christians to learn the Truth of our faith and to be able to spread it to those around us in love.

In Christ,

Alexander Eliades

Pastoral Assistant





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Cocktails & Appetizers - 6:30pm
Buffet & Dancing - 7:30 pm
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