

Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Luke

# This Morning's Readings

## St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:6-15

Brethren, it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believe, and so we speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

# The Gospel according to Luke 6:31-36

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."

# This Morning's Hymns

O Christ, the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb. The guards were as dead, and Mary stood by Your grave, seeking Your sacred body. You destroyed Hades yet remained untouched by it. You encountered the Virgin and through her bestowed life. Glory to You Who has risen from the dead!

Άγγελικαὶ Δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνῆμά σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν, καὶ ἴστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἅδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ, ὑπήντησας τῆ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωήν, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ των νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

As a citizen of the desert and an angel incarnate and a wonder-worker you shone forth, O Kyriacos, our God-bearing father. Since you received the spiritual gifts by fasting and vigilance and prayer, you can cure those who are ailing and heal the souls of those who run to you with faith. Glory to Him who gave His might to you; glory to Him who placed a crown on you; glory to Him who operates through you, providing cures to all.

Τῆς ἐρήμου πολίτης καὶ ἐν σώματι ἄγγελος καὶ θαυματουργὸς ἀνεδείχθης θεοφόρε πατὴρ ἡμῶν Κυριακέ· νηστεία, ἀγρυπνία, προσευχῆ, οὐράνια χαρίσματα λαβών· θεραπεύεις τοὺς νοσοῦντας καὶ τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν πίστει προστρεχόντων σοι. Δόξα τῷ δεδωκότι σοι ἰσχύν, δόξα τῷ σὲ στεφανώσαντι, δόξα τῷ ἐνεργοῦντι διὰ σοῦ πᾶσιν ἰάματα.

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 ἀλιεῖς ἀναδείξας καταπέμψας αὐτοῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Ἅγιον καὶ δι' αὐτῶν τήν οἰκουμένην σαγηνεύσας φιλάνθρωπε, δόξα Σοι.

A protection of Christians unshamable, Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, reject not the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us for you are good, your loving help bring unto us who are crying in faith to you; hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate as a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

#### **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** 

**EPISTLE READER** 

**ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE** 

Group 1: Parish Council

Ryan Choukalas

Group 3: St. Gregory the Theologian

#### JOIN THE FESTIVAL BAKING

Are you available to help bake? We would love to have you! Stop by the Speros Center kitchen at 9:00am on Tuesday, 10/1 for Kourambiethes. Hope to see you there!

#### **FESTIVAL SET UP HELP IS NEEDED**

Please join us for Festival set up on Saturday, 9/28 from 8:00am-noon and Saturday, 10/5 from 8:00am-noon. There are plenty of tasks for everyone regardless of age or physical ability. The more volunteers we have the fewer workers we need to hire and pay. Always remember: *Many hands make light work!* 

#### **BECOME A FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER**

If you worked the Festival last year, please contact that booth's chairman if you want to work there again. Or you can sign up during Coffee Hour at the Volunteer table with Donna Manelis or Thad Tropea.

#### LITTLE LAMBS' FOLK DANCE PARADE AT THE FESTIVAL

If you have children 5 and under who want to participate in the Little Lambs parade at the Original Phoenix Greek Festival, please contact Angela at angelagarozzo@gmail.com or 917-638-5991.

#### YOUNG ADULT MEETING THIS THURSDAY, 10/3

Please join Alexander at 7:00pm for some fun and inspirational conversations in the conference room.

#### **INQUIRERS CLASS**

On Mondays at 7:00pm, an Inquirers Class is being held for those looking to join Holy Trinity, those simply interested in the Orthodox Church or parishioners wanting to engage more with their faith.

#### ORTHODOX COLLEGE MINISTRY

Our Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) ministry on the ASU campus meets every Tuesday evening at 6:00pm at the Christian Center on 19th & Mill. Contact Fr. Apostolos or Alexander for more information.

#### **BEATITUDES BIBLE STUDY**

Our parish Bible Study examining the Beatitudes meets every Friday at 10:00am through 10/4. After a Festival break, classes will revert to Tuesday mornings on 11/5 at 10:00am and run through 11/26.

#### ST. PAISIUS MONASTERY CONSECRATION & HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY TRIP

Assumption is organizing a trip for Wednesday, October 23. The bus will leave at 5:00am and return by 8:00pm. \$25 per person. Contact Mary Vlad at 602-828-7964(text/phone) or maryylad31@gmail.com.

#### AHEPA CHAPTER 219 2019-20 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications are now available for all high school seniors, university, trade school, and vocational training students. They can be found on AHEPA219.com or contact Ed Weiss at <a href="ewpwrqlty@gmail.com">ewpwrqlty@gmail.com</a>. The deadline is Saturday, 10/26.

#### **DESERT DIAMONDS & FRIENDS' OUTING**

Please join us on Tuesday, October 29 at 9:30am at the ASU Kerr Center for the "Tuesday Morning Music & Tea" concert featuring, "Violin Extraordinaire". This is a free concert but a \$5 donation and a can of food for the Food Bank are appreciated. Please RSVP by October 15 to Julie Karoutas at juliekaroutas@gmail.com or call/text 623-313-8720 or Judith Lamond, text only to 703-819-9957.

Today Sunday 9/29	8:00 am - Matins	11:45 am - Youth Choir rehearsal
SECOND SUNDAY OF LUKE	9:30 am - Divine Liturgy Sunday School	12:30 pm -Dance Practice
Monday 9/30		7:00 pm - Inquirers Class (Conf. Rm.)
Tuesday 10/1	9:00 am - Festival Baking, Kourambiethes	6:00 pm - OCF (ASU campus)
Wednesday 10/2		5:00 pm - Greek School 7:00 pm - Choir Practice 7:00 pm - Dance Practice
Thursday 10/3		7:00 pm -Philoptochos meeting 7:00 pm -Young Adult meeting (Conf. Rm.)
Friday 10/4	10:00 am - Bible Study	
Saturday 10/5	8:00 am - Festival set up 10:00 am - Church Tour Guide training	
Sunday 10/6 THIRD SUNDAY OF LUKE NATIONAL CHURCH MUSICIAN SUNDAY	8:00 am - Matins 9:00am - Louis Burgdorf Chrismation 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy Paul Glitsos memorial James Speliopoulos memorial Special tray by Choir Sunday School	11:45 am - Youth Choir rehearsal 12:30 pm -Dance Practice

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#### Saint Silouan, A Modern Intercessor

September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019

This past Tuesday we commemorated a 20<sup>th</sup> Century Saint of our Church, Saint Silouan the Athonite. His entire life is extremely inspiring and yet very relatable, and his words are life changing (I suggest you read his life in the book named after him). Silouan was born in Russia in the turbulent late 1800s and was raised in the Church by pious parents and he was a faithful boy himself, desiring to be a monk. He asked his father if he could go to the monastery, to which his father told him to finish his military service. However, while serving in the military, the strong and handsome Silouan fell into sin, drinking and living a debaucherous lifestyle. Once, becoming drunk, Silouan fell asleep and in a dream saw that a snake had slid through his mouth inside him. He awoke in disgust and heard these words, "You swallowed a snake in your sleep and you are disgusted. That is how unpleasant it is for me to see your actions." There was no one in the room. He heard only a voice that spoke those words, a voice that was extraordinary in its kindness and beauty. He *knew* this voice was that of the Panagia, the Theotokos.

He confessed his fallen lifestyle and felt called to go to Mt. Athos. Here, he quickly became renowned for his hard work, holiness, and humility. One day in church he was granted to see a vision of Christ in all His Glory, shining in light, warmth, and love, but after seeing this, he was saddled with despair and darkness for 15 years. Finally, it was revealed to him that this was because he felt pride in his vision of Christ and he heard the key for the spiritual life: "Keep your mind in hell and despair not." He expounded on it by saying this: "Understand two thoughts, and fear them. One says, "You are a saint," and the other, "You won't be saved." Both thoughts are from the enemy, and there is no truth in them. But think this way: I am a great sinner, but the Lord is merciful. He loves people very much, and He will forgive my sins."

Finally, St. Silouan is vital for us now in our world so saddled with hatred and division, because he preached so heavily on the need to love our brothers and sisters if we are to love God. St. Silouan saw only two things in this life: humility and love of one's enemies . As wise and nice as someone may seem, if he does not love his enemies, i.e. any other person, he cannot reach God. And the opposite is also true, however simple a person may be, but if he carries within himself that love, then "he is with God and God is with him." St. Silouan teaches us this along with the *fact* that no matter how we acted in our "youth" (even if we were not young in age), we *always* have the potential turn to God and become a true Saint.

In Christ, *Alexander Eliades* Pastoral Assistant

### THE BEATITUDES

In Thy kingdom remember us, O Lord, when Thou comest in Thy kingdom.

- O blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- O blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted.
- O blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth.
- O blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness for they shall be satisfied.
- O blessed are the merciful for they shall receive mercy.
- O blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.
- O blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God.
- O blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- O blessed when men shall revile you and persecute you and say all manner of evil against you falsely for My sake.
- Rejoice and be exceedingly glad for great is your reward in heaven.

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