

CALENDAR

Sunday 10/12:
**Holy Fathers of the
7th Ecumenical Council**

8:30a Orthros (Matins)
9:00a Church School
9:45a Divine Liturgy-

Monday 10/13:
Chryssi the New Martyr of Greece

Tuesday 10/14:
**Nazarios, Gervasios, Protasios &
Kelsos**

Wednesday 10/15: STRICT FAST
Ieromartyr Lucian

Thursday 10/16:
Longinus the Centurion

Friday 10/18: STRICT FAST
Hosea the Prophet

1:30p Festival Set-up

Saturday 10/18:
Apostle & Evangelist Luke

11:00a Greek Festival Begins
4:00p Great Vespers

Sunday 10/19:
3rd Sunday of Luke

7:30a Orthros (Matins)
8:30a Divine Liturgy
11:00a Greek Festival Begins

Wednesday 10/22:
Apostle James, Lord's Brother (Vigil)
5:00p Divine Liturgy of St. James

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ Don't forget, our **1st Annual Flagstaff Greek Festival** is **next weekend!** We need everyone to participate: sign up and volunteer today! On Friday afternoon and night, we will be setting up the site, please help.
- ♦ For 2014, the **Parish set a Stewardship budget of \$7292/mo., currently only \$5299/mo. is being collected.** Expenses (less Festival) are budgeted at \$10,075/mo., and are being held lower at \$9493/mo. In total, we have a loss of \$(27,183) at the end of September. God-willing, our Festival will make up some of this huge loss, but we need everyone to be caught up on Stewardship, and prayerfully consider what else they can do to allow our parish to continue operations.

When you see life's pleasures, beware that they might not distract you, for they conceal death's snares... As bait for his hook, the enemy uses the delusion of sensuality to arouse desire, that he might thereby catch men's souls and subject them to himself.

St. Ephraim the Syrian
A Spiritual Psalter, 4th Century

Daily Scripture Readings: October 13 thru 18

Mon: Php 1:1-7; Lk 7:36-50
Tue: Php 1:8-14; Lk 8:1-3
Wed: Php 1:12-20; Lk 8:22-25
Thu: Php 1:20-27; Mt 27:33-54
Fri: Rom 9:18-33; Lk 9:12-18
Sat: Col 4:8-11,14-18; Lk 10:16-21



HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



METROPOLIS OF
SAN FRANCISCO

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LUKE: OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL HOLY MARTYRS PROVOS, TARACHOS & ANDRONIKOS. October 12, 2014

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are pleased that you have joined us today. In order to receive Holy Communion in the Greek Orthodox Church, one must be Baptized and/or Chrismated in the Christian Orthodox Faith. The Orthodox Church understands Holy Communion as a sign of unity. If you are interested in learning more about Christian Orthodoxy, please contact our priest, Father Andreas. Communicants should prepare themselves through fasting, prayer and confession. All Christians are invited to come forward at the dismissal of the Divine Liturgy to receive the holy bread, called *Antidoron*, which is offered to everyone as a blessing when they leave.

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Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church is a parish of the Holy Metropolis of San Francisco, in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, an eparchy of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. Our hierarch is His Eminence the Most Reverend GERASIMOS, Metropolitan of San Francisco.

TROPARIA AND READINGS

Entrance Hymn

Come let us bow down to Christ, as we worship Him, the Son of God. Save us O Son of God, Who did rise from the dead; we sing to You: Alleluia.

Resurrectional Apolytikion 1st Mode

The stone that had been sealed before Your tomb by the Jews and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred body. O Savior the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life. Where by all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life. Glory unto our resurrected Christ. Glory unto Your Kingdom. Glory to Your dispensation O You alone who loves all.

Apolytikion of the Holy Fathers Plagal 4th Mode

Most glorified art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast established our Fathers as luminous stars upon the earth, and through them didst guide us all to the true Faith. O Most Merciful One, glory be to Thee.

Apolytikion of the Cross 1st Mode

Save, O Lord Your people, and bless Your inheritance; grant victory to the faithful against the adversaries of the Faith, and protect Your people by the power of Your Cross.

Hymn of the Church in Greek & phonetics

Σῶσον, Κύριε, τὸν λαὸν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς βασιλεῦσι κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος, καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

SO-son KEE-ri-e ton la-ON soo, keh ev-LO-yee-son teen klee-ro-no-MEE-an soo, NEE-kas tees va-see-lef-SEE ka-TA var-VAR-on tho-ROO-me-nos, keh to son fee-LA-ton thi-A too stav-ROO soo po-LEE-tev-ma.

Seasonal Kontakion of the Theotokos 2nd Mode

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.

Prokeimenon: 4th Mode. Prayer of Azarias

Blessed are You, O Lord God of our fathers, for You are praiseworthy and exalted beyond measure unto the ages .

Verse: *For You are righteous in all You did for us, all You brought on us and on Jerusalem, the holy city of our fathers.*

October 12, 2014

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Apostolic Reading: St. Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15

TITUS, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

Alleluiarion: 4th Mode. Psalm 43

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 1: *O God, we heard with our ears; our fathers proclaimed it to us, the work You performed in their days, in days of old.*

Verse 2: *For You saved us from those who afflict us, and You disgraced those who hate us .*

Holy Gospel Reading: Gospel according to St. Luke 8:5-15

The Lord said this parable: “A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold.” And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, “To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience.” As he said these things, he cried out “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”