

(Just Before the Small Entrance) Feast Apolytikion

(Greek) Angelike Dinamis epi to mnimA Sou ke I filasontes apenekrothisan, ke istato Maria en to tafo zitousa to ahranto Sou Soma, eskilefsas to Adin mi pirathis ip aftou ipintisas ti Partheno doroumenos tin zoin o anastas ek ton nekron, Kirie Doxasi.

(Small Entrance with the Gospel)

Sofia orthi (Wisdom. Let us attend)

(Greek) Defte proskinisomen ke prospesomen Hristo, Soson imas le Theou o Anastas ek nekron, psalontas si allilouia.

(English) Come, let us worship and bow unto Christ
Save us, O Son of God, Thou who didst rise from the dead, as we praise Thee, Alleluia.

(After the Small Entrance) Resurrection Apolytikion

(English) Amen. . Angelic Powers were in Thy Sepulchre, and those who guarded Thee became as men long dead; and standing there was Mary by the tomb seeking Thy pure and sacred Body; O Thou despoiled Hades yet tempted not by him wast Thou; Thou didst meet the Virgin O life bestower; O Thou who rose from the dead, Glory to Thee, O Lord.

Apolytikia of the Church HOLY CROSS:

(English) Soson Kyrie ton laon Sou ke evlogison tin klironomian Sou. Nikas tis vasilefsi kata varvaron thoroumenos, ke to Son filaton thia tu stavru su politevma.

STS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN: (In Greek) Having seen the image of Thy Cross in Heaven, and, like Paul, who received the call that did not come from a human, Thine apostle among kings, O Lord, entrusted the reigning city to Thy hand; and keep it in peace for ever; through the intercessions of the Theotokos, only Friend of mankind.

Kontakion(English) You who were lifted on the Cross voluntarily, on your new commonwealth that bears your name, do you besow your mercies, O Christ our God; gladden in your mighty strength, our faithful Rulers, granting to them victories, against all the enemies, and may your help in battle be for them: a weapon of peace, and banner invincible.

(Greek) O ipsothis en to stavro ekousios, ti eponimo sou keni politia, tous iktirmous sou dorise Hriste o Theos; efranon en ti dinami sou, tous pistous Vasilis imon, nikas horigon aftis, kata ton polemion; tin simahian ehien tin sin, oplon Irinis, aititon tropeon.

Epistle Reading:

St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 2:16-20

BRETHREN, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Gospel Reading:

Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

Sunday after Holy Cross

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We welcome you to Holy Cross-Saints Constantine & Helen. Please join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and fellowship following today's service.

Friday, September 25
Saturday, September 26
Rummage Sale

Sunday Sept. 27, 2009
9:00 a.m.- Orthros
10:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
12:00 noon - Refreshments

12:30 Philoptochos meeting

4:00 P.M. Annual GOYA Kickoff
At the home of Gene and Sula Mulligan

A Note Regarding Holy Communion Since we understand Communion to mean that we have all things in common, sharing identical faith, only those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and recent confession may participate in Holy Communion. (We invite all, however, to partake of the blessed bread which is distributed at the dismissal.) Please see the priest for inquiries on how to become a member.

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