Sunday, March 10, 2024
Judgment (Meatfare) Sunday
St. Quadratos of Corinth
Eothinon/Orthros Gospel: Seventh (John 20:1-10)
Mode of the Week: Grave / Βαρύς

Our Parish Hymn of the Holy Cross of Christ:
Save, O Lord, save your people and bless Your inheritance. Give victory to those who battle evil and protect us all by Your Holy Cross.

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

To our Visitors and Guests: We extend a warm welcome to all worshiping with us today! While Holy Communion, following ancient practice, is reserved for Orthodox Christians, non-Orthodox may receive the blessed bread (antidoron) offered at the conclusion of the service.

Please join us in the Parish House after the Divine Liturgy for Coffee Fellowship!
Brethren, food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. Only take care lest this liberty of yours somehow becomes a stumbling block to the weak. For if any one sees you, a man of knowledge, at table in an idol's temple, might he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak man is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother's falling, I will never eat meat, lest I cause my brother to fall. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

Epistle Reading

Mέγας ὁ Κύριος ἡμῶν, καὶ μεγάλη ἡ ἁγίων αὐτοῦ. Στίχ. Ἀινεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, ἵνα μὴ ἀπαρνηθῇς τὸν αἰῶνα, ἵνα μὴ τὸν ἀδελφὸν μου ἀδελφόν μου, οὐ μὴ φάγω κρέα εἰς Διόπερ εἰ βρῶμα σκανδαλίζει τὸν ἀσθενοῦσαν εἰς Χριστὸν ἁμαρτάνετε. τύπτοντες αὐτῶν τὴν συνείδησιν ἁμαρτάνοντες εἰς τοὺς ἀδελφούς καὶ δι ἁμαρτημάτωνννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννννν

The Holy Gospel Reading according to St. Matthew (25:31-46)

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The Lord said, “When the Son of man comes in his glory and all the holy angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick in prison and visit you?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and you did not visit me. Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.’ And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”
This Week's Daily Scripture Readings and Fasting Guidance

Sunday (3/10—No Fasting): John 20:1-10; 1 Corinthians 8:1-3, 9-2; Matthew 25:31-46


Wednesday (3/13—Dairy Allowed): Joel 3:12-21; Joel 2:2-28


Prayer Requests:
Fr. Symeon (mission priest supported by our parish).
Panteleimon, Mary, Michael, Dimitrios, Georgia, Pavlos, Maria, Betty, Irene, Valerie, Dianna, Keith, Jeannie, Dawn, Kenneth, Hermione, Mary, Kay, Helen, Nikki, Mona, Austin, Kiley, Garrett, Carolina, Maria, Laurie, Lindsay, Randy, Marina, Effie, Christina, Ashley, Foster, Peggy, Lynn, Dimit, Steliano, Brian, Vassilios, Besie, Katerina, Link, Bill, Virginia, Karli, Colin, Mitch, Rike, Xing, Nicole, Emily, Eleni (+February 24), Alexia Passias

Prayers for those recently reposed:
Kathy (+February 6), John (+February 14), Eleni (+February 24)

Prayers for expecting mothers:
Julie 0., Julie C., Julia M., Muriah S.

Prayers for Military Personnel and Their Families:
Aubriana Butchkio, Kyle Glotzbach, Robert Ice, Aaron Vrahiotes, Alek Santer

Prayers for our Catechumens and Inquirers into the Orthodox Church:
Bobbi J. Brown, Joe James, Jessica, Malachi, Nate, Schley and pray for those who are seeking Christ and His Church!

Weekly Wisdom of the Fathers:
St. Gennadios of Constantinople shares with us the following wisdom, "To judge sins is the business of one who is sinless, but who is sinless except God? Who ever thinks about the multitude of his own sins in his heart never wants to make the sins of others a topic of conversation. To judge a man who has gone astray is a sign of pride, and God resists the proud. On the other hand, one who every hour prepares himself to give answer for his own sins will not quickly lift up his head to examine the mistakes of others."

Today our Holy Orthodox Church commemorates:
+ The Second and Imperial Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ (Judgement Sunday)

The foregoing two parables -- especially that of the Prodigal Son -- have presented to us God’s extreme goodness and love for man. But lest certain persons, putting their confidence in this alone, live carelessly, squandering upon sin the time given them to work out their salvation, and death suddenly snatch them away, the most divine Fathers have appointed this day’s feast commemorating Christ’s Imperial Second Coming, through which we bring to mind that God is not only the Friend of man, but also the most righteous Judge, Who recompenses to each according to his deeds.

It is the aim of the holy Fathers, through bringing to mind that fearful day, to rouse us from the slumber of carelessness into the work of virtue, and to move us to love and compassion for our brethren. Besides this, even as on the coming Sunday of Cheese-fare we commemorate Adonai’s exile from the Paradise of delight -- which exile is the beginning of life as we know it now -- it is clear that today’s is reckoned the last of all feasts, because on the last day of judgment, truly, everything of his world will come to an end.

All foods, except meat and meat products, are allowed during the week that follows this Sunday.

+ The Holy Martyr Quadratos of Corinth and those with him: Anektos, Paul, Dionysios, Cyprian, and Crescens (+251)

+ Our Devout Mother Anastasia the Patriarchian (+567)

+ The Holy Martyr Marcin

+ The Holy New Martyr Michael Mavroudis (+1544)

When You come down to the earth, O God, in Your glory, all things will cover trepidation, and a river of fire will draw before You, and a river of fire will draw before Your glory, all things will cower tremulous, and a river of fire will draw before Your glory, all things will cower tremulous.

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If you have a celebration that did not make it into the bulletin, please e-mail Fr. Theodore!

This image contains a bulletin for the Greek Orthodox Church, listing various events, obligations, and sermons. The text is rich with religious content, including prayers, readings, and commemorations. The bulletin is structured in a way that indicates its use by the congregation for their week's spiritual guidance and engagements. The content is primarily religious, focusing on the Holy Week commemorations, prayers, and fasting guidelines. It also includes announcements about upcoming events and meetings, emphasizing community and spiritual activities.