

CALENDAR

Sunday 4/26: NO FASTING
Sunday of the Myrrhbearers

8:45a Orthros (Matins)
9:00a Church School
10:00a Divine Liturgy &
Memorial Service

Monday 4/27: NO FASTING
**Ieromartyr Symeon, Kinsman of
the Lord**

Tuesday 4/28: NO FASTING
Nine Martyrs of Kyzikos

Wednesday 4/29: STRICT FAST
**Apostles Jason & Sosipater of the
70 & their Companions**

Thursday 4/30: NO FASTING
**Apostle James, brother of St. John
the Theologian**

Friday 5/1: STRICT FAST
Jeremias the Prophet

Saturday 5/2: NO FASTING
**Removal of the Relics of St.
Athanasios of Alexandria**
[No Vespers this Saturday]

Sunday 5/3: NO FASTING
Sunday of the Paralytic
8:45a Orthros (Matins)
9:00a Church School
10:00a Divine Liturgy &
Memorial Service
11:30a Parish Assembly

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ This morning's Memorial Service is offered for: Archbishop Iakovos of America 10-years, Eleni Pappas 20-years and Deacon Demetrios Diakos 9-days.
- ♦ The **Spring Parish Assembly** will follow Divine Services next Sunday morning. Please plan on attending.

ARCHIEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL
Protocol 54/15

Ten-Year Memorial of the Repose
of Archbishop Iakovos

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On behalf of our Holy Eparchial Synod, I am writing to you in recognition of the ten-year anniversary of the falling asleep in the Lord of our beloved Archbishop Iakovos, late Archbishop of North and South America.

This month is also the 56th anniversary of His Eminence's enthronement as Archbishop, and we have reflected on his legacy of leadership in the recent events marking the 50th anniversary of the historic March on Selma in which Archbishop Iakovos participated. In the ongoing ministry of our Holy Archdiocese and in the vitality of our witness of our Orthodox faith and Hellenic heritage, we continue to see the work and vision of Archbishop Iakovos through his many years of dedicated service to Christ and His Church.

In memory of his life and service as a faithful shepherd of the people of God, I ask all of our parishes to conduct a ten-year memorial service on Sunday, April 26. In the joy and light of the Paschal Season, may we celebrate his inspiring life. May we continue to be inspired by the life and leadership of Archbishop Iakovos and honor his memory and example by building on the foundation of Christ a sacred and enduring work of faith and love.

With paternal love in Christ,

† DEMETRIOS
Archbishop of America



HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



METROPOLIS OF
SAN FRANCISCO

3RD SUNDAY OF PASCHA: of THE MYRRHBEARERS

On which we celebrate the Holy Myrrhbearing Women; of Joseph of Arimathea, the Secret Disciple; and of Nikodemos, the Disciple by Night.
Holy Ieromartyr Basil, Bishop of Amaseia.

April 26, 2015

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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Our hierarch is His Eminence the Most Reverend GERASIMOS, Metropolitan of San Francisco.*

TROPARIA AND READINGS

Apolytikion of Pascha Plagal 1st Mode

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

Ἀπολυτίκιον τοῦ Πάσχα ᾠδὴ πλ. α'

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζωὴν χαρισάμενος.

Entrance Hymn 2nd Mode

Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the fountains of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, who arose from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

Resurrectional Apolytikion 2nd Mode

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You.

Apolytikion of Joseph 2nd Mode

When he took down Your immaculate Body from the Cross, the honorable Joseph wrapped it in a clean linen shroud with spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb. But on the third day You arose, O Lord, and granted the world Your great mercy.

Apolytikion of the Myrrhbearers 2nd Mode

The Angel standing at the sepulcher cried out and said to the ointment-bearing women: The ointments are appropriate for mortal men, but Christ has been shown to be a stranger to decay. So go and cry aloud, The Lord has risen and granted the world His great mercy.

Apolytikion of our Temple 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.

Kontakion of Pascha Plagal 4th Mode

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

4th Orthros Reading: Gospel according to St. Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; and as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead?"

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TROPARIA AND READINGS

Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered in to the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told this to the apostles; but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home wondering at what had happened.

Prokeimenon: 2nd Mode. Psalm 117

The Lord is my strength and my song, and He became my salvation.
Στίχ: *The Lord chastened and corrected me, but He did not give me up to death.*

Apostolic Reading: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

IN THOSE DAYS, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Alleluiarion: Plagal 2nd Mode. Psalm 19

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Στίχ 1: *May the Lord bear you in the day of afflictions; may the name of the God of Jacob defend you.*

Στίχ 2: *O Lord, save Your King, and bear us in the day we call upon You.*

Holy Gospel Reading: Gospel according to St. Mark 15:43-47, 16:1-8

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.