

CALENDAR

Sunday 11/2:

5th Sunday of Luke

8:30a Orthros (Matins)

9:00a Church School

9:45a Divine Liturgy

Monday 11/3:

**Jeromartyrs Acepimas, Joseph &
Aeithalas of Persia**

Tuesday 11/4:

Ioannikios the Great

7:00p Women's Book Club

Wednesday 11/5: STRICT FAST
Martyrs Galaktion & Episteme

Thursday 11/6:

Paul the Confessor

Friday 11/7: STRICT FAST
33 Martyrs of Melitene

5:30p Great Vespers

Saturday 11/8:

Synaxis of the Holy Archangels

8:45a Orthros (Matins)

9:45a Divine Liturgy

5:30p Great Vespers

Sunday 11/9:

7th Sunday of Luke

8:30a Orthros (Matins)

9:00a Church School

9:45a Divine Liturgy

11:15a Festival Appreciation

Luncheon

HOLY UNMERCENARIES

Each year we show our love and support for the philanthropic work of our Ecumenical Patriarchate by designating the Feast of the Holy Unmercenaries, Saints Cosmas and Damian, November 1, as a day of prayer and support for the philanthropic ministries that are offered by the Holy Archdiocese of Constantinople. These ministries to orphans, the elderly, the sick and poor have been a vital and essential work of the Ecumenical Patriarchate since its founding, and they continue today as a witness of our calling by our Lord by offering compassionate healing and faithful service to those in need.

We [in the Holy Archdiocese of America] offer a witness of our unity in Christ and our unity in faith. This is the witness of the early Church when offerings were collected and given to communities with great needs, nurturing the bonds of love in Christ. (Romans 15:26; I Corinthians 16:1-4; II Corinthians 8-9) This is the witness of the Holy Unmercenaries, Cosmas and Damian. While they were united by blood as brothers, they were also united in Christ and in the power of faith as they used their divine gifts to bring healing, comfort and hope to those in need.

Today, this is also our witness in a part of the world where ministry in the name of Christ is very challenging. In the midst of significant obstacles and opposition, our Ecumenical Patriarchate under the leadership of His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew has continued to fulfill our sacred calling as Christians to help anyone in need. With compassion and quality care, the leaders and staffs of these ministries in Constantinople labor to provide comfort and hope. In their faithfulness to God and to those in need, they reveal the power of faith that comes from knowing beloved brothers and sisters in Christ around the world are giving and praying in support of their work.

With paternal love in Him,
†DEMETRIOS, Archbishop of America



HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



METROPOLIS OF
SAN FRANCISCO

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LUKE: HOLY MARTYRS AKINDYNOS, PEGASIOS, APHTHONIOS, ELPIDOPHOROS, AND ANEMPODISTOS. November 2, 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

Resurrectional Apolytikion 4th Mode

When the tidings of the resurrection from the glorious angel was proclaimed unto the women disciples and our ancestral sentence also had been abolished to the Apostles with the boasting did they proclaim that death is vanquished ever more and Christ Our God has risen from the dead and granted to the world His great mercy.

Apolytikion for the Holy Martyrs 2nd Mode

Blessed is the earth that drank your blood, O prizewinners of the Lord, and holy are the tabernacles that received your spirit; for in the stadium ye triumphed over the enemy, and ye proclaimed Christ with boldness. Beseech Him, we pray, since He is good, to save our souls.

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. Psalm 103

O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom.

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, You are magnified exceedingly.

TROPARIA AND READINGS

Apostolic Reading: St. Paul's Letter to 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.

Alleluarion: 4th Mode. Psalm 44

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Verse 1: Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One, in Your splendor and Your beauty.

Verse 2: You loved righteousness and hated lawlessness. Therefore God, Your God, anointed You with the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

Holy Gospel Reading: Gospel according to St. Luke 16:19-31

The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses, and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if some one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to them, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if some one should rise from the dead.'"