

## On the Divine Liturgy

### Why do Orthodox Christians take Communion so Seriously?

The Bible gives us the answer to the question. In the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians, chapter 11, St. Paul wrote:

*Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep (died). But if we judged ourselves, we would not come under judgment.*

from Guide to the Divine Liturgy, by Robert Krantz

Have a special event or announcement for Sunday?  
PLEASE e-mail or call it in to the Church Office  
before noon Thursday for inclusion in the bulletin.

### She Sent it on Ahead

Jesus said,

*“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal”* (Matt. 6:19-20).

In Florence, Italy, an epitaph on a tombstone reads, “Here lies Estrella, who had gone to heaven to enjoy a fortune of fifty thousand florins which she sent on ahead.”

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### From the Fathers

*Just as it is impossible to be at the same moment both a plant and a seed, so it is impossible for us to be surrounded by worldly honor and at the same time to bear heavenly fruit.*

Amma Syncletica of Egypt

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Please remember in your prayers:

*Priest George, Charles, Marianna, Michael, Kristen, Barbara, Matina,  
Herakles and all those serving in our Armed Forces*

## Ss Constantine & Helen

Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Pacific



October 28, 2012

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke

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Commemoration of: Protection of the Holy Theotokos  
Sts. Terrence and Eunice, Martyrs

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### Apolytikia - Entrance Hymns

*To Faidron tis Anastaseos* (Hymn of the Day) Tone 4

*I Martyress Sou* (Hymn of the Saint) Tone 4

*Your Martyrs, O Lord received, from You our God, for their struggle, the crown of immortality. Armed with Your might they defeated the tyrants. They also crushed the impudence of demons. By their intercessions O Christ our God, save our souls.*

*Tou Stavrou Sou* (Hymn of the Church) Tone 8

*Having seen in the sky the form of Your Cross and, like Paul, having received his calling not from men, Your apostle among Kings, Lord, placed his reigning city in Your hand, which you guard in peace forever, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, for You alone love mankind.*

### Kontakion

*Prostasia ton Christianon* Tone 2

*Champion of Christians not put to shame, advocate before the Maker always steadfast, do not spurn sinners' voices raised in prayer. In your goodness respond to bring help to us who devoutly petition you. Hasten your intercession and urgently make entreaty; for you unfailingly defend, O Theotokos, those who honor you.*

### Epistle Reading

Hebrews 9:1-7

Brethren, the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was prepared, the outer one, in which were the lampstand and the table and the bread of the Presence; it is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain stood a tent called the Holy of Holies, having the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides with gold, which contained a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. These preparations having thus been made, the priests go continually into the outer tent, performing their ritual duties; but into the second only the high priest goes, and he but once a year, and not without taking blood which he offers for himself and for the errors of the people.

### Gospel Reading

Luke 8:41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

### This Week

- ✘ Thurs - Sts. Kosmas & Damian - *Divine Liturgy* - 9:00 am  
- Orthodoxy 101 - 6:30 pm
- ✘ Sat - *Divine Liturgy* - 10:00 am, St. Theresa RC Church, Kihei

### Next Week

Autumn General Assembly

### To Our Visitors:

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. Just a reminder, however: the Sacrament of Holy Communion is a manifestation of the *unity of the Body of Christ*. As such, only those who are members in spiritual good standing of the Orthodox Church – and who have prepared themselves for the Sacrament – may partake of the Holy Chalice. However, *everyone* is welcome to come up with our people at the end of the service to receive blessed bread. *Please be sure to join us at Coffee Hour following Services.*