

Online Lenten Book Study Forum

2012 Lenten Season

The Orthodox Book Study Forum, now in its third year, was started as a way to provide supplemental adult education programs to parishes. Participants throughout the Metropolis read the same book during Great Lent and interact with one another online. The book club is centered around private forum discussions led and moderated by Konstantine Salmas (M.Div.), Director of Education and Youth at the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church in Belmont, CA.

The next Lenten Book Club is scheduled for March 1 - May 1, 2012. The book to be read is: *The Monk of Mount Athos: Staretz Silouan, 1866-1938* by Archimandrite Sophrony, published by Saint Vladimir's Seminary Press and available online through various distributors (Amazon, etc.) including Saint Vladimir's Seminary Bookstore.

Online registration will open Monday, February 20 through a link available on the Metropolis main website (www.sanfran.goarch.org) and also through the link at www.sfseminars.net.

Mark your calendar and register on February 20, and make plans now to order the book so you have it in time for 2012 Lenten season!

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, in our Fellowship Hall.*

Please remember in your prayers:

*Priest George, George, Kristen, Vasiliki and family
and all those serving in Afghanistan and elsewhere overseas*

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February 12, 2012

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

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St Meletios, Archbishop of Antioch

Apolytikia - Entrance Hymns

Ote Katilthes (Hymn of the Day) Tone 2

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 (Hymn to the Theotokos)

Tis Patroas Doxis sou Tone 3

O Father, foolishly I ran away from Your glory and, in sin, squandered the riches You gave me. Wherefore, I cry out to You with the voice of the Prodigal, "I have sinned before You, Compassionate Father. Receive me in repentance and take me as one of Your hired servants."

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Brethren, "all things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two shall become one flesh." But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body and in your spirit which belong to God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 15:11-32

The Lord said this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the proper-

ty that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

Today

Festival Meeting

Philoptochos meets today after Coffee Hour

This Week

✠ Sat – Saturday of Souls

Divine Liturgy - 9:00 am

Prayer sheets are available at the Candlestand - names submitted will be read at all four Saturday of Souls this year.