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Liturgy will be outside this Sunday! Services are still live-streaming.

Sunday Liturgies will be held outside.
Please call (805) 845-9475 to reserve a space!
We will continue to bring you all services via the web so that we can all continue to pray together.

To view our services on the internet, please visit www.saintbarbara.net/live-streaming/

If there is any way that we can minister to you or your family, please call the church office or Fr. Bob and we will do everything in our power to meet your needs.

During these challenging times, we pray that the Church will be a vehicle of solace and peace for everyone!

FEASTS CELEBRATED TODAY

On this, the 23rd of August, 11th Sunday of Matthew, we celebrate:

Apodosis of the Dormition of the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary

Our Holy Father Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons

Our Holy Father Kallinikos, Patriarch of Constantinople

Lupus the Martyr

Our Righteous Father Nicholas of Sikelion

38 Martyrs of Thrace

Our Holy Father Irenaeus, Bishop of Sirmium

Haralambos of Kalyviani

By their holy intercessions, Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Sunday, August 23, 2020 11TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

These hymns are sung after the Priest enters the Altar carrying the Gospel. The Apolytikion for the Resurrection is sung once in Greek at the exit, and it is repeated in English after the entrance.

Apolytikion for the Resurrection (Second Tone)

When You descended to death, O Immortal Life, then the light of Your divinity destroyed Hades. When You raised the dead from the depths of darkness, all the heavenly powers cried out, "Glory to You, O Christ our God, the Giver of Life."

Apolytikion for the Dormition

In birth, you preserved your virginity; in death, you did not abandon the world, O Theotokos. As mother of life, you departed to the source of life, delivering our souls from death by your intercessions.

Seasonal Kontakion

Neither the grave nor death could contain the Theotokos, the unshakable hope, ever vigilant in intercession and protection. As Mother of life, He who dwelt in the ever-virginal womb transposed her to life.

Save, O Lord
Save Your people
And bless
Your inheritance

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EPISTLE READING

I Corinthians 9:2-12

rethren, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain." Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of Christ.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23 - 11th Sunday of Matthew *Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am MEMORIAL FOR AHILEAS TZOUVARAS - 1 YEAR

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 - Beheading of St. John Liturgy will be outside—call the reservation number to reserve a space!

Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30 - 12th Sunday of Matthew *Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 18:23-35

he Lord said this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the torturers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."



"... should not you have mercy on your fellow servant,
as I had mercy on you?"