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

**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.**

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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 20th of September, the Sunday After the Feast of the Holy Cross, we celebrate: *(click red links to learn more about the feast)*

[Efstathios the Great Martyr, his wife and two children](#)

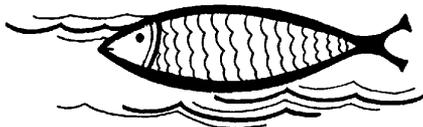
[Our Righteous Father Efstathios, Archbishop of Thessolonica](#)

Hilarion the New Martyr of Crete

[Afterfeast of the Holy Cross](#)

John the Foreigner

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



Sunday, September 20, 2020
SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

*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 (Sixth Tone)

O Christ, the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the guards were as dead, and Mary stood by the grave, seeking Your sacred body. You destroyed Hades, yet remained untouched by it. You encountered the Virgin and, through her, bestowed Life. "Glory to You who have risen from the dead!"

Apolytikion for the Feast of the Holy Cross

Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting our rulers to prevail over adversaries, and protecting Your commonwealth by Your Cross.

Apolytikion for St. Efstathios and Those With Him

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

Apolytikion for Saint Barbara

Let us honor Saint Barbara; for the all-modest one prevailed over the snares of the enemy, and was freed from them as a sparrow, with the Cross as aid and weapon.

Seasonal Kontakion

Lifted upon the Cross by Your free will, Christ God, grant mercies to the new commonwealth that bears Your name. Gladden our faithful rulers by Your power, giving them victory over their adversaries. May Your alliance be for them, a weapon for peace, an invincible standard.

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EPISTLE READING

Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren, knowing 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.



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 - Sunday After Holy Cross

❖Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am

*MEMORIALS FOR ALEXIS KERAMARIS and
NICK MARTIN*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 - 1st Sunday of St. Luke

❖Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am

MEMORIAL FOR IRENE RITHIANOS

GOSPEL READING

Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

The Lord said, "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."



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- Mark 8:36-37