and models for us. The Evangelist Luke, whom we are celebrating today, utilized his education in order to speak to the idolators of his age, who were seeking the truth and the expectation of the gentiles, Christ. He was a painter, and he depicted the Most Holy Theotokos, the mother of Christ, showing that with everything, someone is able to show the relationship of faith to life. And he gave emphasis in his Gospel to Christ's interest of in sinners, the poor, the scorned, the women, the children, showing us that faith and love go together for whoever wants to follow the Lord.

The existence of the Church, and the way of life that she proclaims, comprises the good news which has not been heard in the Means of Mass Communication, which will not be discussed in the handling of our daily life, but which will be allowed mystically and openly to be adopted by all those who seek Him "whom we need," Christ!

Fr. T. M

SUNDAY, OCTORER 18 2020, Luke the Evangelist, Marinos

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Tone of the week: Second Tone

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Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to Colossians 4:5-11, 14-18

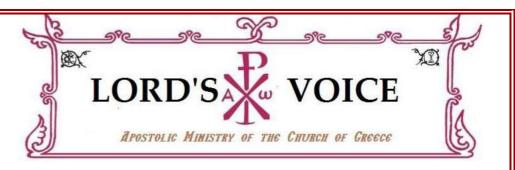
GOSPEL READING : Luke 10:16-21

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Holy Martyrs Marcian and Martyrius the Notaries, Tabitha, who was raised from the dead by Peter the Apostle, Tabitha, who was raised from the dead by Peter the Apostle, Chrysaphios (or Chrysaphos) the Martyr, Martyr Chrysanthe

EPISTLE READING: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 1:11-19

GOSPEL READING : Luke 8:26-39



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THE GOOD NEWS

Our age is full of bad news. Even the little news that is considered good, has to do with the material dimension of life, with survival. People get information about the economy, about our obligations toward the state, about the viewpoints of every type of leaders, about our health, often about the life of famous persons. At the same moment, the news is sprinkled with a multitude of photographs, according to the dogma "one picture is worth 1000 words". We hear truly good news however, with difficulty. And ever when it comes, it has to do with our interests. News usually in our days, exudes a taste of death.

The evangelist of people

For the Church however, true news is the Gospel and the evangelization of people. It is the news that gives life and abolishes the power of death. It is the news that God revealed not to the wise and the educated, to those who are proud about their knowledge, but to those whose heart is humble (Lk. 10:21). Because only they are able to see that God is humble. He takes on our human nature, in order to deliver it from the care of survival and the fear of death, and to lead it to the joy of the Resurrection and eternity, to the joy of reconciliation

THE SUNDAY GOSPEL (LUKE 10:16-21)

The Lord said to his disciples, "He who hears you hears me, and he who rejects you rejects me, and he who rejects me rejects him who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." In that same hour he rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to babes; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will."

with heaven. The proud do not look high, but they trust their "ego". They are not able to distinguish between the pleasure of what they have, and in the joy for what God gives us.

The joy of faith

Good news hast to do with the joy of faith. For you to be a Christian, for the givens of the world, is a lost matter, especially in our times. Because the Christian, he, in other words, who is living the Revelation of God, does not put forth the rights and the desires that keep us bound to the present world. A Christian is he who is called to exercise his being with fasting and prayer, with the memory of God, with love, there where hate and strife exist, with the calling of patiently enduring offensiveness and shouts. And nevertheless, this path and manner of the Christian, is a way of joy, not because the Christian becomes a person who does not have bitternesses and difficulties, and does not think humanly, but because the Grace of God

overshadows him. Through this, he receives the joy that truly beautifies his life. Not because the Christian expects a future reward, but because he feels that he belongs to God, and for the love of God he's able and it is worth it, for him to endure.

Surpassing "of the world"

The good news has to do with surpassing the attachment to the goods of this world. From the material goods that belong to us, and where it is not easy to find someone who wants to be deprived of them, to the good reputation, our name, our children, our own people our works, in the end, our own self. Everything is a blessing of God, so long as they've been obtained or they have been given to us with honesty and respect for His commandments however, nothing really belongs to us. We are handlers of the goods, and they have been given to us ourselves, both for us to feel close to our fellow man and to be able to show it, as also for us to be able to glorify God that He does no leave us. The spiritual life of the Church, and the conviction that we are leaving our life into God's hands, becomes the truth that liberates and saves.

Luke as a model

Good news lies in the fact that they who received the gift were people. They lived the good news of the presence of Christ, they shared it with their fellow men; they gave their whole self, their gifts and knowledge, the few or many, and they allowed their life to be transfigured, thanks to the presence of the Lord. And when we read about them, we ascertain that they are genuine witnesses of the truth who is Christ. That faith in him, made them create. To speak in every manner to people, in other words, to become leaders of the Church