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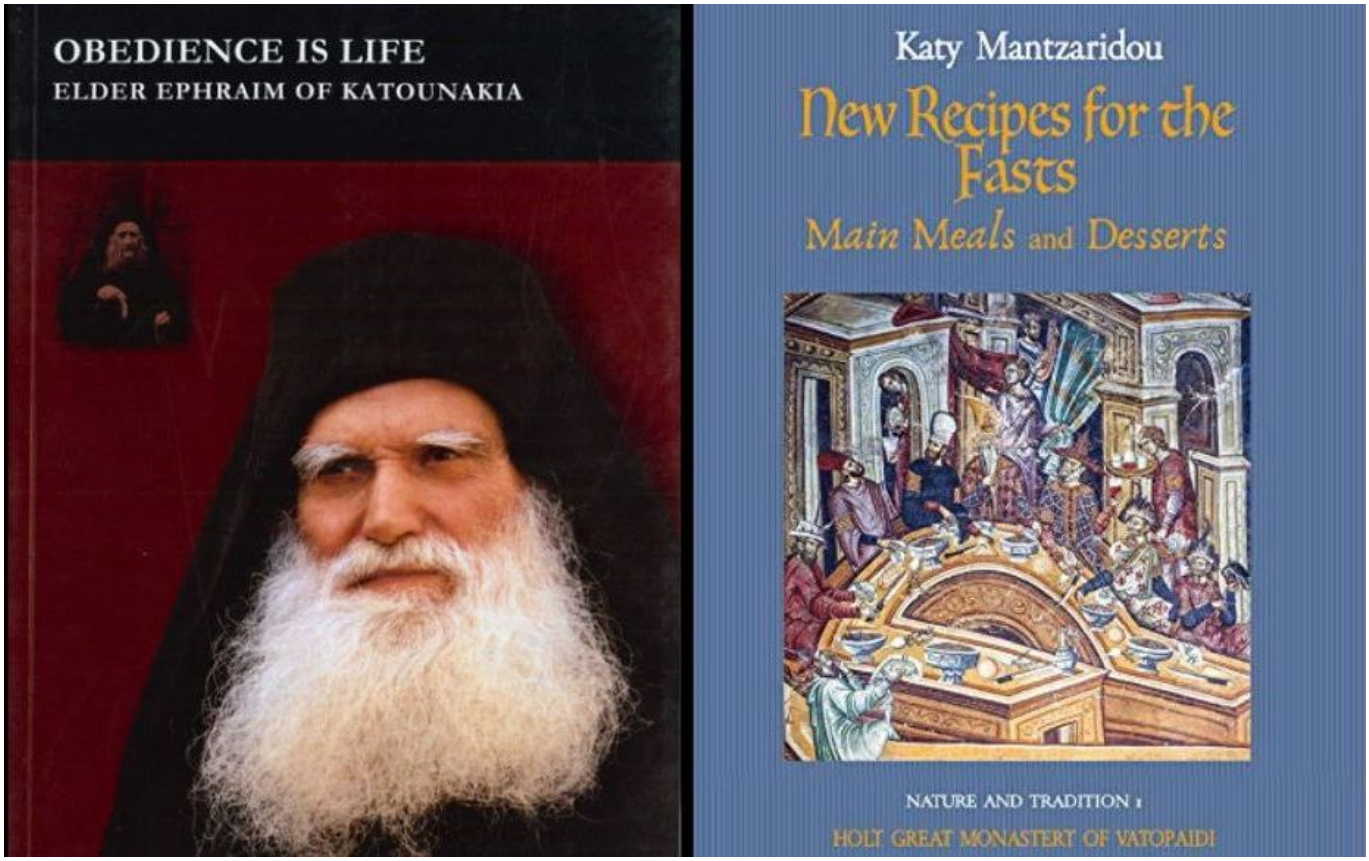

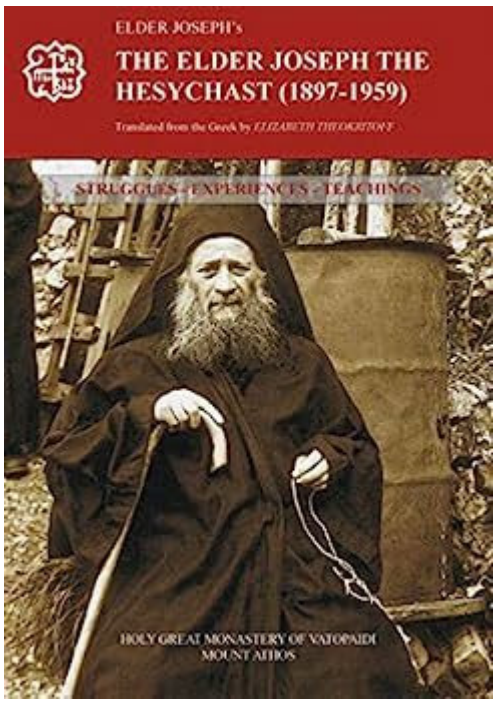

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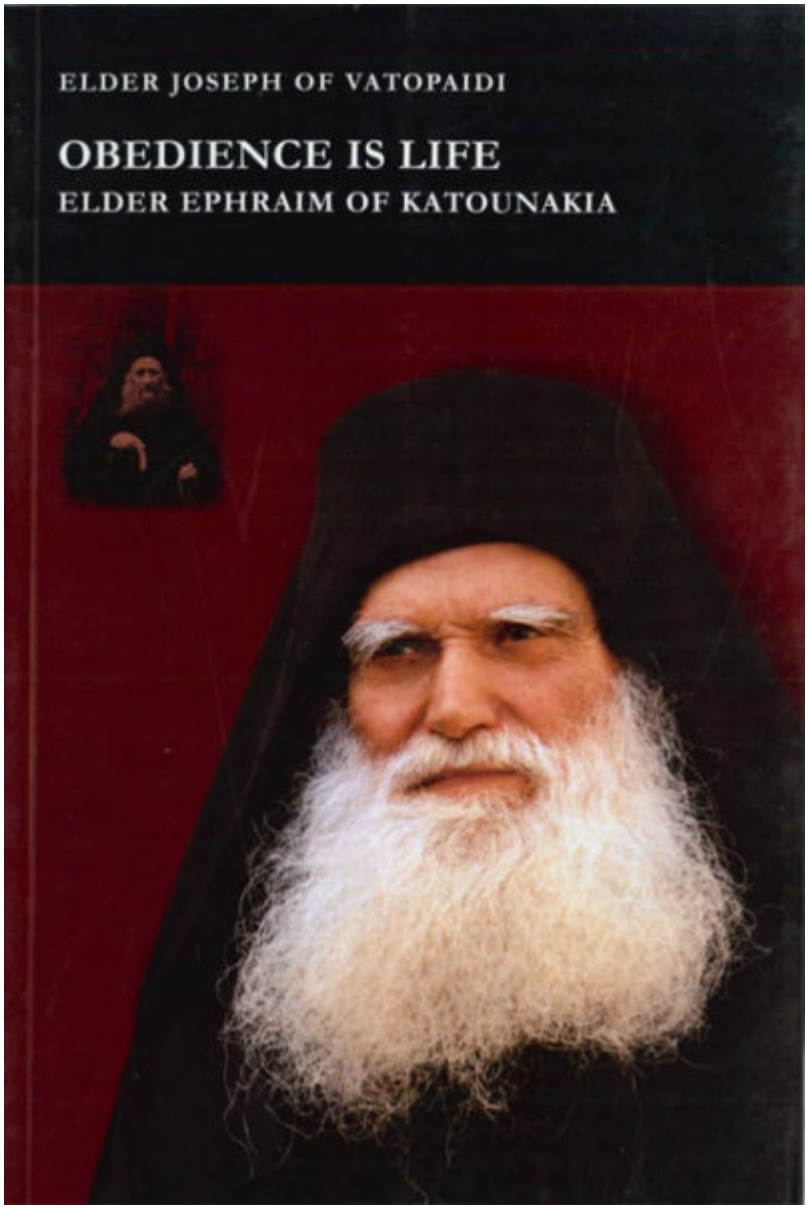

Obedience is Life: Elder Ephraim of Katounakia (1912 – 1998)

Christ glorifies His saints, and they glorify His Body the Church as His genuine members. One of these godly men is the Athonite Elder Ephraim of Katounakia, who reposed in 1998. He lived 65 years of strict ascetism on the Holy Mountain (42 of which were as a monk in obedience), far from the world, poor according to the world, but rich in the divine charismata of the Holy Spirit that he had acquired, and was shown to be an obedient disciple filled with spiritual gifts.

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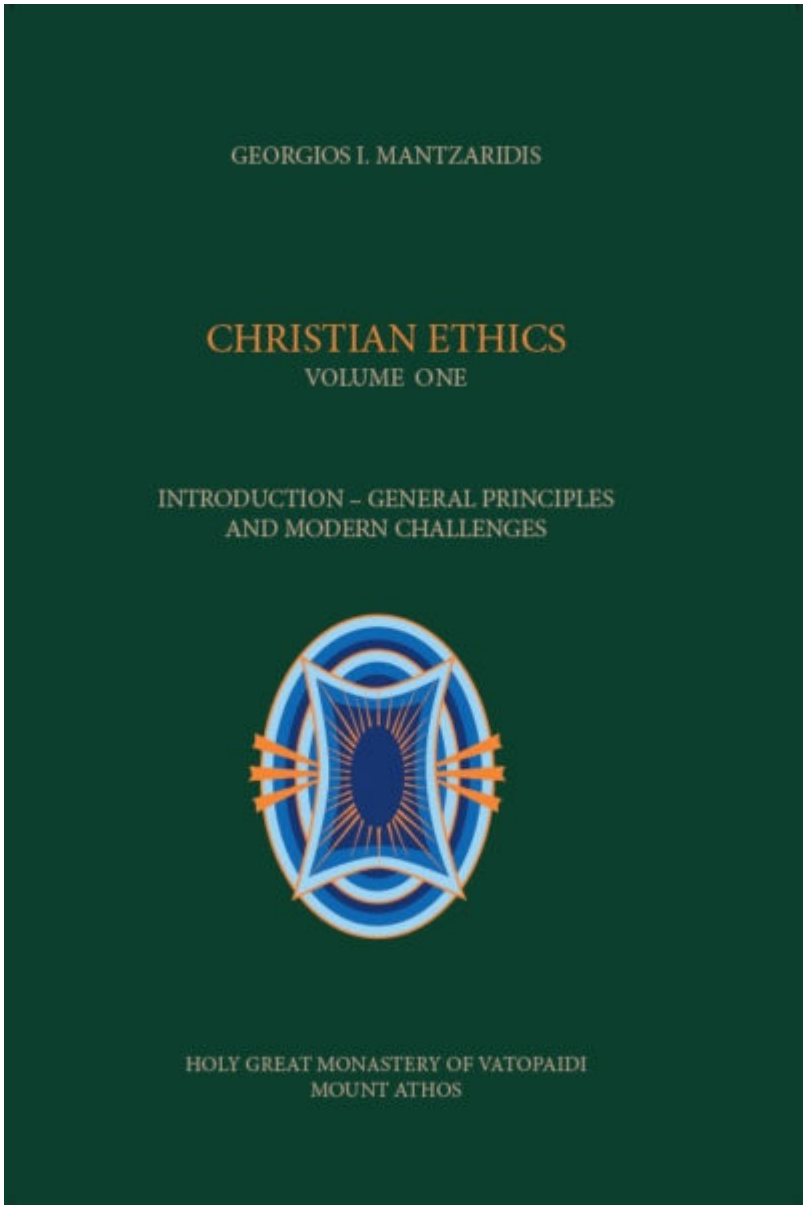

Christian Ethics" (Volume One), Introduction – General Principles and Modern Challegnes

Christian Ethics as a branch of learning that refers to man's moral life, differs greatly from the ethics of the ancient Greek Philosophers or the ethics of other cultures and civilizations. Christian Ethics is based on the person and ethos of Christ. The God-Man Christ displayed the perfect God and the perfect man in His Person. The perfect man activates the highest charismatic recognition of his nature, which is theosis. Christ Himself showed the world the way that leads to theosis. He lived on the earth in a way that was an example to us, or, as the Apostle Paul points out, "leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps" (see 1 Peter 2:21) ….

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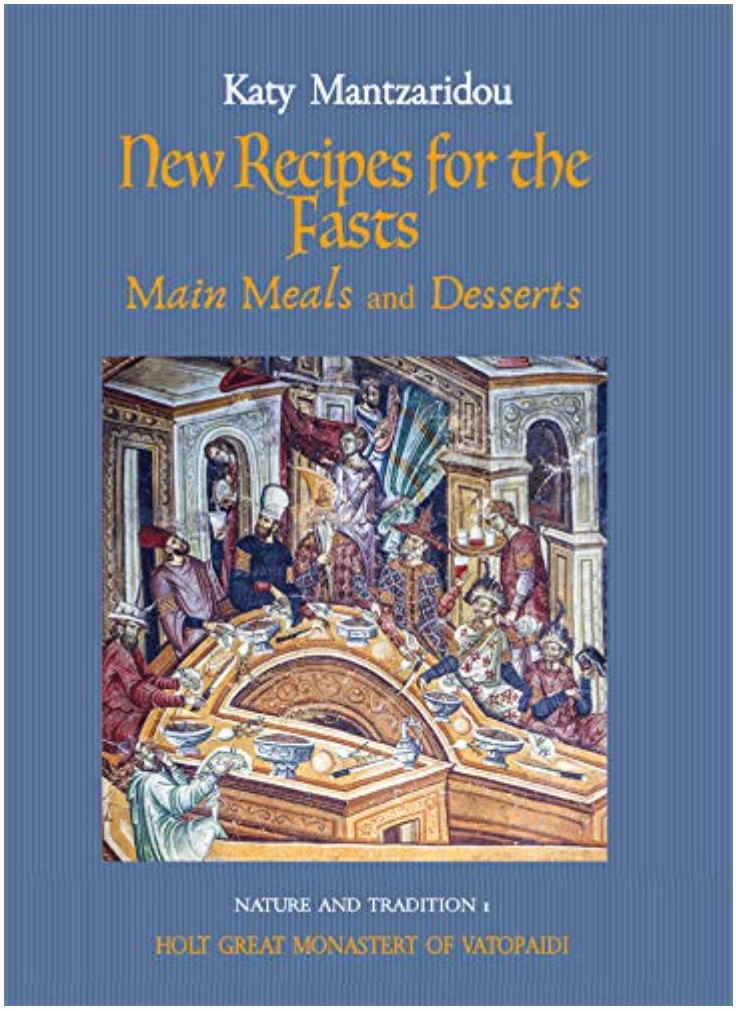

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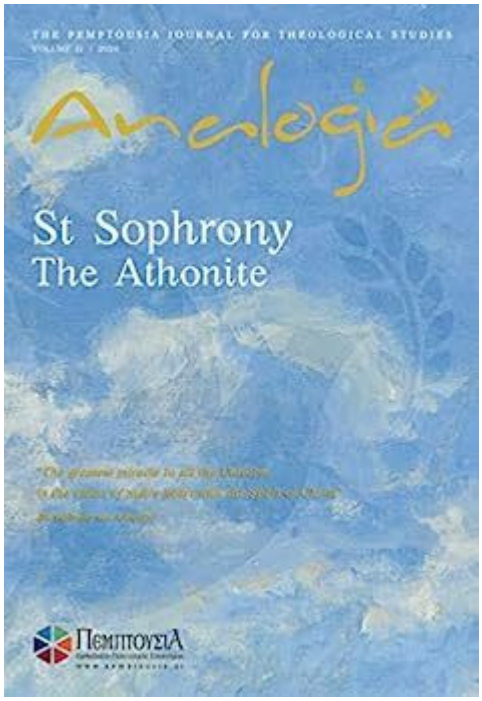

St Sophrony the Athonite

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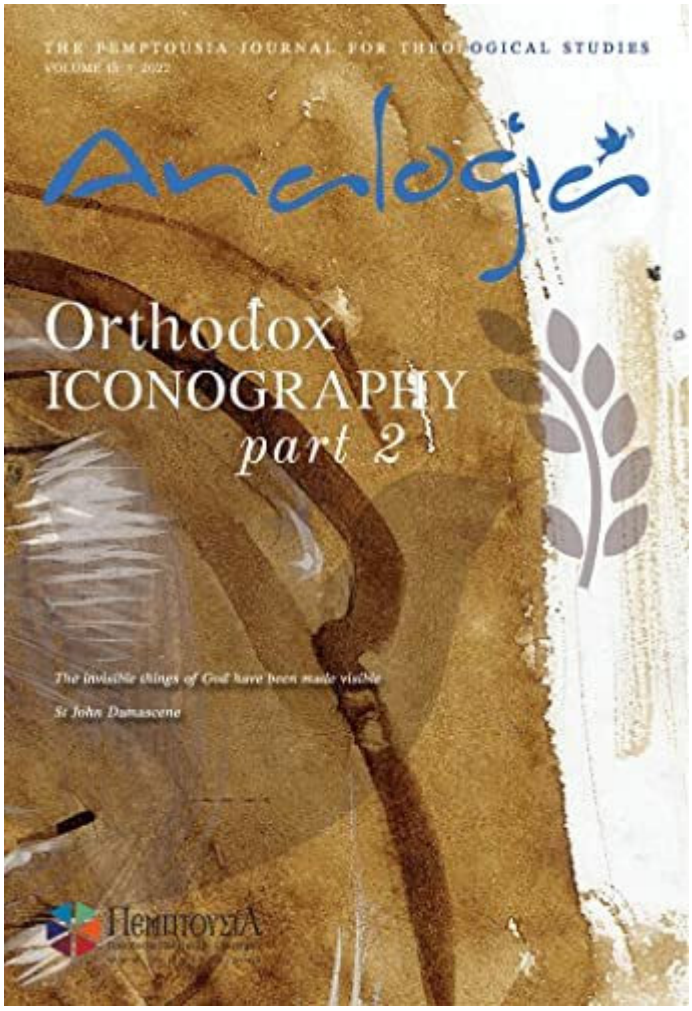

Nachos

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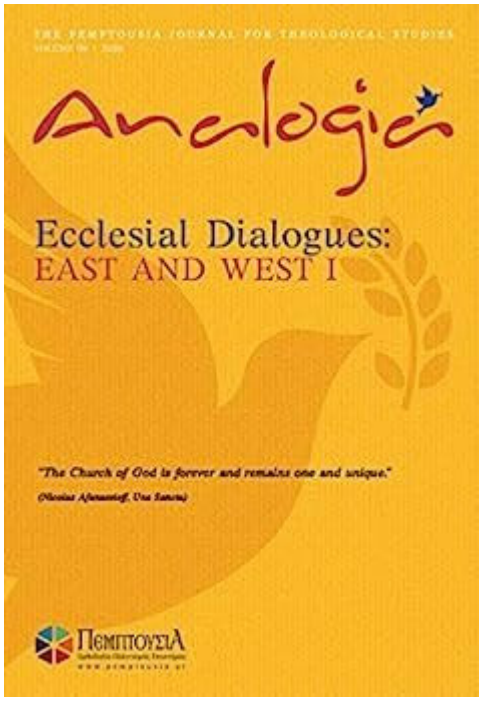

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The beginning of the Roman Catholic/Orthodox Theological dialogue during the 20th century raised to some high hopes for an imminent canonical unity between the two Denominations, and this, though premature, is not of course to be blamed; it is impossible for any contemporary Christian theologian not to suffer from the division within this very womb of the ontological unification of all things, which is the Church of Christ—precisely because this division gives to many the impression of a fragmentation of the Church's very being and subsequently weakens her witness.

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