

SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

METROPOLITAN JOSEPH, PRIMATE; REVEREND FATHER NATHAN THOMPSON, PASTOR;
REVEREND FATHER GEORGE WASHBURN, REVEREND FATHER THOMAS LINDSAY

“He who does not know the truth cannot truly have faith; for by nature knowledge precedes faith. What is said in Scripture is said not solely for us to understand, but also for us to act upon.” -- St. Hesychios the Priest

Welcome. . .to all our visitors worshipping with us this morning! Please sign our Guest Register as you enter the church and be our guest in the Fellowship Hall for coffee and refreshments this morning after the service is over. We look forward to meeting you and welcoming you personally to Ss. Peter and Paul.

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom—Hymns, Prokeimenon, and Scriptures

Variable Hymns – *see music in packet*

Troparion of the Resurrection, Tn. 4, Carpatho-Russian; Troparion of the Resurrection, Tn. 4, Byzantine; Troparion of Ss Peter & Paul, Tn. 4; Kontakion, Tn. 2; It Is Truly Meet

Prokeimenon

How great are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Epistle – Romans 10:1-10

Brethren, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for Israel is that it may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that everyone who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says: Do not say in your heart, “Who will ascend into Heaven?” (that is, to bring Christ down) or “Who will descend into the abyss?” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

The Holy Gospel – St. Matthew 8:28-9:1

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, “What have we to do with Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?” Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, “If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine.” And He said to them, “Go.” So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.

Receiving Holy Communion: Only Orthodox Christians prepared through prayer, fasting, and a recent sacramental confession should approach the chalice for the Eucharist. The Orthodox Church does not practice “open communion” and has no intercommunion with non-Orthodox churches.

After taking Communion: Please return to your place and continue standing until the announcements.

Today’s Commemorations and Prayer Requests

Take this list of prayer requests home with you and keep these people in your prayers this week. Some names are not Orthodox Christians and thus are not remembered in the Great Entrance, but are remembered in the other litanies during the services throughout the week.

For the living: Archps. Philip, Alban, George, Moheen, & Jirius; Pr. Tom, Mat. Maria & Katie, Prs. Raphael, Patrick; Pr. Dimitri & Mat. Mary, Presb. Mandy, Sh. Camille-Anna, Stuart, Douglas & Patty, Matthew & Amy, Xavier, John & Darlene, Fiona, Joshua & Amy, Roger, Letitia, Nathan & Jessica, Hugh, Nicholas & Nikoletta, Lily, CaitlinCharity, Cherice, Mark & Alisa, Charles, James & Cheryl & Dane, Lynne, Randy & Tracy & Naomi, Bill & Carole, Don & Marie, Janet, Mike, Tim, Louise, Peter & family, Georgie, Lauren, Samson, Wendy, Pam & her family, George, Judith, Romina.

For the reposed: Newly departed Metropolitan Antonio & David; Archp. Gordon; Prs. Basil, Terry, David, John; Dns. Nathaniel, David, and Michael; Presb. Terry Elizabeth; Barbara.

For those who are pregnant and their unborn children: Katrina, Melissa, Rachele, Anna Marie.

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Richard, Shane Jeremiah, Jacob, David, Gregory, Daniel, Preston, Saba, Aaron, Zoe, Don, Nick, Scott, Michelle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—JULY 9, 2017—FIFTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

God grant you many years!

Happy birthday to:

Grace Baillie	July 10
Sophia Botill	July 11
Stephanie Petersen	July 12
Michele Auldrige	July 14
Christina Schmidt	July 14

Happy anniversary to:

Calvin & Keidi Lewis	July 9
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PASTOR'S JULY SCHEDULE

Fr. Nathan will be out of the office for the Parish Life Conference, a family vacation, and the Biennial Archdiocese Convention from July 4-July 19 and July 24-31. He can be reached by phone **except from July 10-19**. Please call Fr. Tom Lindsay at 335-2651 for pastoral issues and Dn. Marc at 338-4981 for administrative issues.

YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE

Retrouaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on September 22-24, 2017 call 831-479-1260 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

TIS THE SEASON

This is the season when parents send their children to Summer Camp in various locations in California for some fellowship with other Orthodox kids from across the state/country. We have a small scholarship fund set up for the purpose of helping our parents get their kids to camp. If you would like to donate to that fund, please write a check to Ss Peter & Paul and put "Camp Scholarship" in the memo field. No donation is too small or too big.

NO MORNING PRAYERS

For the month of July there will be no Tuesday and Thursday morning prayers at 9:00 am. They will resume on Thursday, August 3.

INTERIM PASTORATE IN CALGARY, CANADA

Fr. George has accepted a temporary assignment as of July 1 with Holy Annunciation AOC, where there has been significant conflict. He will be back in Ben Lomond for a week in mid-July. Please pray for Sayidna, the parish, and Fr. George that some progress will be made and it will be clear what the term of the assignment should be. Fr. George's cell in Canada is: 587-707-4785.

Parish Organizational News

- ♦ **Choir**--Choir rehearsals are on Sundays 20 minutes after Divine Liturgy. Please see Darlene Johnson or Fr. Nathan if you are interested in joining the choir.
- ♦ **Church School**--Church school will begin again in September after the beginning of the new Ecclesiastical year.
- ♦ **Women's Group**--Saturday, July 22, 8:30-10:30 am. breakfast in the Fellowship Hall with a meeting after. Optional clothing exchange to follow.
- ♦ **Men's Group**--The Men's breakfast will be Saturday, August 5 at 8:00 am.

This Week at Ss. Peter & Paul – July 9-16, 2017

7/10-7/19 Mon - Wed	Fr. Nathan out of the office
7/11-7/16 Tues - Sun	Darlene out of the office
7/11 Tues	6:00 am – Orthros No Morning Prayers 10:00 am & 7:00 pm--Women's Reading Groups
7/12 Wed	6:00 pm – Vespers
7/13 Thurs	6:00 am – Men's Reading Group No Morning Prayers
7/15 Sat	6:00 pm – Great Vespers & BBQ
7/16 Fathers of 4th Ecumen. Coun.	8:20 am – Orthros 9:20 am – Divine Liturgy

Looking Ahead ---

<u>July 16-19</u>	Fr. Nathan & fam. on vacation
July 18, 25	Women's Book Study @ 10 am & 7 pm
July 18	No Parish Council Meeting
July 22	Women's breakfast & meeting/ optional clothing swap
July 24-31	Biennial Archdiocese Convention--Fr. Nathan out of the office