

JUNE 23, 2024

## BULLETIN – PENTECOST W/KNEELING VESPERS

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Bulletin Submissions Deadline – **10 am Wed.** ♦ church website: <https://ssppaoc.org>

**Ss Peter & Paul Mission:** preserve, practice, and proclaim the Gospel of our Lord, God, & Savior Jesus Christ in order to glorify God in the parish and wider community.

### This Week @ Ss. Peter & Paul–June 24-30, 2024

- 6/25 Tu 7:00 am – Readers Orthros  
7:00 pm – Women's Evening Book Study
- 6/26 Wd 6:00 pm – Paraklesis  
7:00 pm – Parish Council
- 6/27 Th 7:00 am – Men's Reading Group\
- 6/28 Fr 6:00 pm – Vespers w/Lit<sup>ia</sup> followed by  
*light refreshments*
- 6/29 Sa 8:20 am – Orthros & Divine Liturgy –  
**Patronal Feast** followed by *festal  
brunch*  
6:00 pm – Great Vespers & Compline  
**No** summer BBQ
- 6/30 Su 8:20 am – Orthros  
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy – All Saints  
Catechism  
Youth choir practice  
2:00 pm – Community Dinner

### Looking Ahead—

- July 2 Morning Divine Lit. – St. Juvenaly &  
Placing of Robe of Theotokos
- July 3-7 Parish Life Conference in Tucson, AZ
- July 6 Men's Breakfast  
Summer BBQ
- July 7 Game Night in the Barn
- July 9 Women's Evening Book Study
- July 12 Morning Divine Lit. – St. Paisios of Athos

### NEW BUDGET TIME

Any budget concerns that you have or needs that you want to address regarding the 2024-2025 budget should be given to George Saad or Philip Salibi. Our new budget begins September 1, 2024 but it is finalized for submission to the parish at the end of the summer.

### Many Years – Birthday

Oliver Gritton	June 25
Natalia Rivera	June 25
Kristen Clark	June 27
Nalana La Framboise	June 27

### Many Years – Anniversary

Dn. Rich & Sh. Barbara Schmidt	June 27
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### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Please contact the church office with the names of the sick and hospitalized of the parish so they may receive pastoral care.

### ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN

Many thanks to all who contributed to the Antiochian Women's NAB Project to raise funds for the Widowed Khouria Endowment Fund. We raised \$1,308! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

***Feast of Pentecost***  
***With Kneeling Vespers***  
***Today***  
***Followed by festal meal***

### CHURCH REIMBURSEMENTS

Please get prior approval before making any purchases for the church. Make purchases separately from personal items so that the receipts reflect only church purchases.

### CALENDAR ITEMS

If you have anything you would like to put on the church calendar, including Trisagion prayers, please contact Dn. Anthony at [frdnranthony@gmail.com](mailto:frdnranthony@gmail.com).

## PARISH COUNCIL

All are welcome to attend the next PC meeting on Wednesday, June 26 at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.

## **COMMUNITY DINNER** **Sunday, June 30 @ 2:00 pm**

**Donations of non-perishable food items, money, and helpers to make and distribute the dinner needed. Leave food items in the parish hall kitchen or industrial refrigerator marked for Community Dinner not the residential refrigerator. To volunteer, contact Reidi Lewis at (831) 588-9575.**

## TIMES FOR CONFESSION

Confessions are heard after Vespers on Wednesday evenings (by appointment), on Saturday evenings following Great Vespers and by appointment during the week. If you desire to go to confession during Orthros, come prior to 9:15 am and send a message to one of the priests through one of the deacons.

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Church teaches us through all of our senses. One way we learn is through the message of the hymns that are sung each week. Look at the Sunday variables and you will see the word Troparion. What does that mean? A Troparion is a hymn set to a special tone (melody) and is about a specific occasion or person. If the Troparion is for the Resurrection, then the event and sequence is made clear for us. If it is about a saint, then we learn about the saint's great faith and sanctity of his or her life. We sing a very famous Troparion during the Pascha service and continue to sing it 40 days later: Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

*"You easily forgive yourself, if you have sinned against God, or against men; accordingly, forgive other people, too. Love your neighbor as yourself, forgive him much."*

*St. John of Kronstadt*

## PARENTAL SUPERVISION

Parents remember to keep an eye on your children whenever they are on the church grounds, especially during coffee hour and other times of fellowship. No children should be without adult supervision on the back property or at the rectory.

Please have your children come up with you or an older sibling for the Eucharist when there is no Church School. Our younger parishioners benefit when they have a good example of how to approach the chalice.

## Incense & Christian Worship

*"Incense we offer unto thee, O Christ our God, as an aroma of spiritual sweetness which do thou receive upon thy most heavenly altar and send down upon us in return the grace of thine all-holy Spirit." (Priestly blessing of the incense)*

The first and most basic pattern of worship we see in the Bible comes from Exodus 30: the offering of incense with prayers at the trimming of the lamps in the morning, and the lighting of the lamps in the evening. Still today we have this practice of prayer and the offering of incense at Orthros and Vespers. The offering of incense is not for us, to make the church smell good for us. The offering is to God. This is a sacrificial offering, an act of worship. We can offer incense to God at home, but the practice is most complete when we gather together as the Church, in the church.

*"Let my prayer be set forth before Thee as incense, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice." (Ps. 140)*

## AL-ANON REMINDER

On Monday evenings at 6:00 pm we open our parish hall to Al-Anon, an anonymous group that supports families and friends of alcoholics. Please respect the privacy of the group by not entering the kitchen or hall during their meetings. Thank you for your cooperation.

## *Memory Eternal*

*June 25*

*Isobel Snyder*

*June 25*

*Joanie Murray*