

VARIABLES – JUNE 30, 2024

SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN SABA, ARCHBISHOP OF NEW YORK AND METROPOLITAN OF ALL NORTH AMERICA

REVEREND FATHER CHRISTOPHER DILLON, PASTOR

REVEREND FATHER GEORGE WASHBURN

“The daily invocation of the saints...signifies that God’s saints – as our brethren, but perfect – live, and are near us – ever ready to help us by the grace of God. We live together with them in the house of our Heavenly Father, only in different parts of it. We live in the earthly, they in the heavenly half; but we can converse with them, and they with us.”

St. John of Kronstadt

Welcome to all our visitors worshipping with us this morning! Please sign our Guest Register as you enter the church and be our guest 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.

All Saints & Synaxis of the 12 Apostles

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom—Hymns & Scriptures

Variable Hymns – see music in packet

Troparion of the Resurrection, Tn. 8, Byzantine

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Troparion of All Saints Sunday, Tn. 4, Byzantine

Thy Church, O Christ God, hath regaled herself in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout all the world, as in porphyry and purple. Through them she lifteth her voice crying, turn with Thy compassion to thy people, and grant peace to Thy city, and to our souls the Great Mercy.

Troparion of the Feast of the Apostles, Tn. 3, Byzantine

O Holy Apostles intercede with our merciful God to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

Troparion of Ss Peter & Paul, Tn. 4, Byzantine

O foremost of the apostles and teachers of the world, intercede with the Master of all to grant peace to the world and to our souls the great mercy.

Clergy only - Kontakion of All Saints, Tn. 8, Byzantine

As first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, the world presenteth the God-bearing martyred saints in off'ring unto Thee, O Lord. Through their earnest entreaties, keep Thy Church in deep peace and divine tranquility, through the pure Theotokos, O Thou Who art greatly merciful.

Communion Hymn

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise befits the just. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews (11:33-12:2).

Brethren, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering over deserts and

mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfection of our faith.

Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (9:36-10:8).

At that time, when Jesus saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His Disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." And he called to Him His twelve Disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity. The names of the twelve Apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him. These twelve Jesus sent out, charging them, "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And preach as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying, give without pay."

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.

For the living: Pr. John; Sh. Barbara; Michele, Elizabeth, Mary, Jeff, Paloma, Julian, Jacob, Heather, Jeffrey, Elijah, Ezekiel, Jim, Bonnie, Matthew, Jan, Keenan, Elise, Zusa, Noah, Wendy, Timothy, Alexander, Jeremiah, Hector, Saoirse, Persephone, Samuel, Verity, Christine, Atticus, Evelyn, Enrica, Jon & Serenity, Ada, Grayson, Emmett, Sage, Rosanna, Beverly, Donnie, Ryan, Ron, Ben.

For the reposed: Newly departed Pr. James, Dennis; Met. Philip; Aps. Gordon, Jack; Prs. Tom, Stephen, Basil, David, Terry; Hmks. Ephraim, John, Athanasios; Mnk. Simeon; Dns. Mark, John, Mark, Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Michael, Daniel; Khs. Judy, Jedonne, Terry Elizabeth, Doris; Presbs. Zinnia, Barbara; Mat. Anna; Boris, Glaphyra; Edward; Ruth, Richard, Ray, James, Hudson, Amy, Sharen, Dick.

For those who are pregnant and their unborn children: Nicole.

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Brycen, Jonathan, David, Jacob, Gregory, Daniel, Don, Scott, Michelle, Noah.