

OCTOBER 1, 2017

## SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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

*“Just as the bee is attracted by the fragrance of the flower, people will be attracted to a church community by its spiritual beauty and fresh growth. Allow God to prosper your community by His grace, be open to the inquirer and minister to the suffering. In loving others, you allow God to love you all the more.”*

*His Eminence, Metropolitan JOSEPH*

**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 & Scriptures**

**Variable Hymns** – see music in packet

Troparion of Resurrection, Tn. 8, Russo-Greek; Troparion of Resurrection, Tn. 8, Byzantine; *Troparia of St. Ananias & St. Romanos sung by choir*; Troparion of Ss Peter & Paul, Tn. 4, Carpatho-Russian; Kontakion for Ordinary Sundays, Tn. 2, Byzantine.

**Epistle—II Corinthians 6:16-7:1**

Brethren, we are the temple of the living God; as God said, “I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them,” says the Lord, “and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.” Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

**The Holy Gospel – St. Luke 6:31-36**

The Lord, said: “As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”

**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. Alban, George, Moheen, & Jirius; Prs. George, Tom, Raphael, Patrick, Simeon, & Dimitri; Presbs. Mary, Mandy, & Maria; Shs. Camille-Anna, & Karla; Stuart, Douglas & Patty, Matthew & Amy, Xavier, John & Darlene, Fiona, Joshua & Amy, Roger, Nathan & Jessica, Hugh, Nicholas & Nikoletta, Lily, Mark & Alisa, Samson, Dane, CaitlinCharity, Cherice, Charles, James & Cheryl & Dane, Lynne, Judith, Letitia, Barbara, Romina, Patrick, Cicily & Siobhan, Jack & Monica, David, Anna, Sophia & Michael, Alex, Zebulun, Kelly, Don & Marie, Peter & family, Georgie, Lauren, Jon, Tara, Emma, Jonah, Evelyn, Braylin, Steven, Mary, Adam, Sir, Abel, Alfred, Maria, Julia, Thomas, Linus, Eli, David, Grete, Elisabeth, Rheinhardt.

**For the reposed:** Newly departed John, newly departed Hertha; Archp. Gordon; Prs. Basil, Terry, David, John; Hmk. Athanasios; Dns. Nathaniel, David, Joseph & Michael; Presb. Terry Elizabeth; Tatiana, Lou, Nancy, Anton, Erich, Daniel, Dewitt, Stella, James, Rachael, Solomon, Glenn, Erma Jean.

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

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

**October 6-8 -- Diocesan Fall Gathering -- St. Timothy in Fairfield, California**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS - APOSTLE ANANIAS OF THE SEVENTY, FIRST BISHOP OF DAMASCUS & RIGHTEOUS FATHER ROMANOS THE MELODIST

## DONATION WEBSITE--UPDATE

For those of you who would like to contribute to the You Caring donation page for Cicily and Siobhan Oakes, or share it with others, please go to [youcaring.com](http://youcaring.com) and search for Siobhan Oakes. On Tuesday, September 5, Siobhan had a hard fall and subsequent seizure. She spent three weeks at Stanford Lucile Packard Children's Hospital and is now recuperating at home. Cicily is by her side constantly and cannot work at this time. Your prayers are coveted, and if you are able, any contribution would help.

## INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES (IOCC)

On Sunday, November 5, IOCC will have their 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Remembering Home Vespers, reception and banquet at Resurrection Greek Orthodox Church in Castro Valley. Individual tickets are \$65. Sponsorship levels are: Humanitarian--\$1000 (table of 8); Benefactor--\$500 (4 tickets); Friend--\$250 (2 tickets). Purchase tickets and sponsorships online at [ioc.org/rememberinghome](http://ioc.org/rememberinghome). Please RSVP by October 25. For more information, please contact the church office of Resurrection Greek Orthodox Church at [office@cvresurrection.org](mailto:office@cvresurrection.org). Checks should be made payable to IOCC and mailed to Resurrection Greek Orthodox Church, 20104 Center Street, Castro Valley, CA 94546.

## ACTIVE YOUTH

The Church Office would like to be informed of plays, musical performances, sports events, graduations, etc. that involve the youth of Ss Peter & Paul so that they can be posted in the Sunday bulletin and so that parishioners can attend said events. Please call (831-336-2228) or email ([ChurchOffice@ssppaoc.org](mailto:ChurchOffice@ssppaoc.org)) the Church Office with this information.

## OPEN HOUSE

The Open House for October is canceled due to a full calendar of events. Please consider hosting an Open House and contact the Church Office so that we can put you on the calendar for subsequent months.

## LOCAL ORTHODOX CHURCH FESTIVALS

St. Nicholas OCA in Saratoga: TODAY, 12:00 pm--6:00 pm--[Saratogarusianfestival.com](http://Saratogarusianfestival.com). St. Nicholas AOCA in Diamond Heights, San Francisco: TODAY--[info@stnicholas-sf.com](mailto:info@stnicholas-sf.com).

## IGNITING THE FLAME OF STEWARDSHIP

On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, October 13-15 we will host Bill Marianes who will be speaking on stewardship in the Church. Friday will be a meeting for church leaders only with Mr. Marianes. Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm will be a meeting with the whole church, breakfast and lunch included. Sunday will be a question and answer time after the Divine Liturgy. We need the participation of everyone, so please set aside these days and plan to attend.

## ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN WOMEN OF NORTH AMERICA (AOCWNA)

TODAY there will be a bake sale and pork lunch fund raiser at the Harvest Festival after Divine Liturgy. The lunch is \$10 per person or \$25 per family. The funds generated will go towards Siobhan Oakes' medical recovery. The next AOCWNA business meeting will be Sunday, November 5, during coffee hour.

**\*\*SPECIAL OLYMPICS AWARENESS DAY\*\***(This got skipped in the print version of the bulletin.)

Sunday, October 15 is Special Olympics Awareness Day across the

Archdiocese. This ministry is funded and hosted by the North American Council of Teen SOYO. Our Archdiocese will host the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual SOYO Special Olympics Sports Camp at Antiochian Village in Pennsylvania in August 2018. Please be prepared to contribute to the special tray our teens will have on that Sunday.

## CHURCH BUDGET SUBMISSIONS

It's that time of year! The annual church budget is in process for the upcoming year. If you have items you would like to add or correct in the church budget, please submit them to either the Parish Council Treasurer who is George Saad, or to Fr. Tom before November 30.

## WOMEN'S READING GROUP

The Tuesday night Reading Group resumes 7-8:30 pm, October 3 at the home of Leanne Albers at 5363 Plateau Drive, Felton. *Please text at 566-4450 to confirm your attendance.*

## *This Week @ Ss. Peter & Paul – Oct. 2-8, 2017*

<b>10/3 Tues</b>	<b>6:00 am – Orthros</b> <b>9:00 am – Morning Prayers</b> 7:00 pm – Women's Book Study
<b>10/4 Wed</b>	<b>6:00 pm – Vespers</b> 7:00 – Clergy meeting & dinner @ Thompson's
<b>10/5 Thurs</b>	6:00 am – Men's Reading Group <b>9:00 am – Orthros</b>
<b>10/6-8 Fri-Sun</b>	<b>Fall Gathering in Fairfield, CA @ St. Timothy</b>
<b>10/7 Sat</b>	<b>NO MEN'S BREAKFAST</b> <b>6:00 pm – Great Vespers</b> <b>7:00 pm – Compline</b>
<b>10/8 Sun</b>	<b>8:20 am – Orthros</b> <b>9:30 am – Divine Liturgy – 3rd Sun. of Luke</b> Church School after Eucharist Choir practice 20 min. after Div. Lit.

## Looking Ahead ---

<i>Oct. 13-15</i>	<i>Igniting the Flame of Stewardship</i>
<i>Oct. 23</i>	<i>Divine Liturgy of St. James</i>
<i>Oct. 29</i>	<i>Community Dinner</i>
<i>Nov. 7</i>	<i>Clergy Meeting</i>
<i>Nov. 15</i>	<i>Nativity Fast Begins</i>

**AOCWNA LENTEN RETREAT**  
**March 10**  
**HOLY ASSUMPTION MONASTERY**  
**CALISTOGA, CALIFORNIA**