

# SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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

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*“Fear is the fruit of atheism, and so the fearful man or woman has rejected God. We must examine ourselves, find these fears, and ask God to enter into us ever more fully, that our fears will subside.” ~ 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.

## Great-Martyr Kyriaki of Nicomedia & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Matthew

VENERABLE THOMAS OF MT. MALEON; HIEROMARTYR EVANGELOS, BISHOP OF TOMI (CONSTANTA) IN ROMANIA; NEW-MARTYR POLYCARP; EUDOKIA, PRINCESS OF MOSCOW

### Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom—Hymns & Scriptures

#### Variable Hymns – see music in packet

#### Troparion of the Resurrection, Tn. 2, Bulgarian

When Thou descended to death, O Life Immortal, Thou slew Hades with the splendor of Thy Divinity, and when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to Thee.

#### Troparion of the Resurrection, Tn. 2, Byzantine

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy godly pow’r, and when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the pow’rs of heaven did cry aloud unto thee: O Christ, Thou Giver of life, glory to Thee.

#### Apolytikion for St. Kyriaki, Tn. 5 – sung by chanter

Thou didst prove an auspicious and pleasing sacrifice, a holy offering, O valiant prize-winner Kyriaki, when thou broughtest thy Creator thine own spotless soul; which Christ in turn hath glorified, for through thee, He poureth forth divine gifts and endless graces upon the faithful who praise thee, since He is verily the Friend of man.

#### 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.

#### Kontakion of Ordinary Sundays, Tn. 2, Byzantine

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who does ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

#### The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians (3:23-4:5).

Brethren, before faith came, we were confined under the Law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. So that the Law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is

neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; but he is under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; when we were children we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. But when the time had fully come, God sent forth His Son, to redeem those who were under the Law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (6:22-23).**

The Lord said, "The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore, I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink; nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not the soul more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of heaven: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon himself in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore, do not be anxious, saying 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well."

***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:*** Prs. George, Tom & Presb. Maria, Patrick, Simeon, Ed & Presb. Judy; Dn. Mark & Sh. Jeanne; Monk Ignatius; Sh. Camille-Anna; Stuart, Matthew & Amy, John, Fiona, Joshua & Amy, Roger, Nathan & Jessica, Hugh, Simon, Alexander, Katie, Caitlin Charity, Kurt, Carole & Heather, Gabriel Dane, Judith, Laura, James & Cheryl & Dane, Jared, Ryan & Beth, Ekaterina & Joshua, Sarah & Jason, Cherice, Fallyn, Jameson, Jeremiah, Sarah & Stan, Caleb & Jamie & Ellena, Seth, Caris, Karl, Darlene, Betty Jean, Don, Felicia, Don & Marie, Peter & Georgie & Family, Braden, James, Bev, Branden, Ryan Anne, Rosanna, Kriss, Grace, Sophia, Stephanie, Calvin & Keidi.

***For the reposed:*** Newly departed Gene, Mat. Andrea; Met. PHILIP; Archps. Gordon & Jack; Prs. Basil, Terry & David; Hmks. Athanasios & John; Mnk. Simeon; Dns. Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Mark, Michael & John; Presb. Terry Elizabeth.

***For those who are pregnant and their unborn children:*** Catherine.

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