

VARIABLES – NOVEMBER 24, 2019

## SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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

REVEREND FATHER NATHAN THOMPSON, PASTOR

REVEREND FATHER GEORGE WASHBURN, REVEREND FATHER THOMAS LINDSAY

*“The season of Nativity is about nothing other than preparing a little room for the Lord Jesus Christ to come and shine in our souls. Your Father in Christ,  
+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.

### 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost & 13<sup>th</sup> of Luke

CLEMENT, BISHOP OF ROME; HIEROMARTYR PETER, BISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA; HERMOGENES, BISHOP OF AGRIGENTUM; MARTYRS PHILOUMENOS & CHRISTOPHER; MARTYR ALEXANDER OF CORINTH

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

##### Variable Hymns – see music in packet

##### Troparion of the Entrance of the Theotokos, Tn. 4, Byzantine

Today is the prelude of God’s good-will, the herald of the salvation of mankind. The virgin is revealed in the temple of God, foretelling the coming of Christ to all. Let us cry to her with all our strength: Hail, O fulfillment of the Creator’s plan.

##### Troparion of the Resurrection, Tn. 6, Byzantine

When Mary stood at Thy grave looking for Thy sacred body, angelic pow’rs shown above Thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world. O Thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

##### Troparion of Ss. Peter & Paul, Tn. 4, Russian

O first enthroned of the Apostles, teachers of the universe, entreat the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.

##### Kontakion of the Entrance of the Theotokos, Tn. 4, Byzantine

The all-pure temple of the Savior, the precious Bridal Chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasure of God’s glory, today is brought to the house of the Lord, and she brings with her the grace of the Holy Spirit. God’s angels sing in praise of her: Truly she is the Heavenly Tabernacle.

##### The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians (2:4-10).

Brethren, God, Who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and made us sit with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not because of works, lest any man should boast. For, we are

His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (18:18-27).**

At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, “Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandment: ‘Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother.’” And the man said, “All these I have observed from my youth.” And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, “One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.” But when the man heard this, he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, “How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.” Those who heard it said, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus said, “What is impossible with men is possible with God.”

***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:*** Newly illumined Alexandra; newly-tonsured Reader Nikodemos; Archp. Thomas & Kh. Carla; Prs. George, Tom & Kh. Maria, Patrick, Simeon; Dn. Marc, Dn. Mark & Sh. Jeanne, Dn. Richard & Sh. Barbara; Sh. Camille-Anna; Stuart, Matthew & Amy, John, Fiona, Joshua, Amy, Roger, Nathan, Hugh, Simon, Alexander, Katie, Kurt, Martha, Caitlin Charity, Gabriel Dane, Judith, Ryan & Beth, James & Cheryl & Dane, Jared, Ekaterina & Joshua, Sarah & Jason, Cherice & Fallyn & Jameson, Mark, Sarah & Stan, Caleb & Jamie & Ellena, Seth, Caris, Ron, Mike, Michael, Marianne, Hope & Max & Mercy, Joshua & Jill & Ethan, Cate & family, Betty Jean, Brandon, Braylin, Don & Marie, Peter & Georgie & Family, Braden, James, Branden, Rosanna, Diana, Persis, Nicene.

***For the reposed:*** Newly departed Rick; newly departed infant Gabriel; newly departed Carole Nektaria; newly departed Kh. Anastasia; Met. PHILIP; Archps. Gordon & Jack; Prs. Basil, Terry & David; Hmks. Athanasios & John; Mnk. Simeon; Dns. Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Mark, Michael & John; Presb. Terry Elizabeth; James.

***For those who are pregnant and their unborn children:*** Kelly, Laura, Jessica.

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