

# SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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REVEREND FATHER CHRISTOPHER DILLON, PASTOR

REVEREND FATHER GEORGE WASHBURN, REVEREND FATHER THOMAS LINDSAY

*“We have the power of the Holy Cross, our holy symbol, the divine grace of Christ, only as long as we have the holy marking of the Holy Baptism, meaning we have denied the devil and sided with Christ, and received the Holy Marking, the seal of the gift of the Holy spirit.”*

*Elder Paisios of the Holy Mountain*

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

## Sunday After the Elevation of the Holy Cross Consecration of Resurrection Church in Jerusalem

GREAT-MARTYR EUSTATHIOS & HIS FAMILY; VENERABLE-MARTYR HILARION OF ST. ANNE SKETE ON ATHOS; VENERABLE JOHN OF CRETE;  
MARTYRS MICHAEL, PRINCE OF CHERNIGOV, & HIS COUNCILOR THEODORE

### Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great—Hymns & Scriptures

**Variable Hymns** – see music in packet

#### Troparion of the Cross, Tn. 1, Byzantine

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all adversaries, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thine estate.

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

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy reared tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead

#### Apolytikion of St. Eustathios & His Family, Tn. 4, Byzantine

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since thou art merciful.

#### 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 the Elevation of the Cross, Tn. 4, Byzantine

Do thou who of thine own good will wast lifted up upon the Cross, O Christ God, bestow thy bounties upon the new nation which is called by thy Name; make glad in thy might those who lawfully govern, that with them we may be led to victory over our adversaries, having in thine aid a weapon of peace, and a trophy invincible.

#### **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians (2:16-20).**

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the Law, because by works of the Law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again

those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ Who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark (8:34-9:1).**

The Lord said, "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake and the Gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." And Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Kingdom of God come with power."

***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. ***Please stand six feet apart as you wait to take the Eucharist.***

***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. Christopher & Kh. Claire, Nathan & Khouria Mandy, Joshua & Mat. Ekaterina; Dns. Dave & Sh. Karla, Marc, Richard & Sh. Barbara; Shs. Camille-Anna & Valerie; Stuart, Matthew & Amy, John, Fiona, Jessica, Hugh, Joshua, Roger, Amy, Nathan, Jeremiah, Simon, Alexander, Katie, Kurt, Karl, Martha, Caitlin Charity, Gabriel Dane, Judith, James & family, Jared, Rebeca, Kriss, Cherice & family, Caleb, Mark, Eli, Pierre, Ellena & family, Jesse, Jonathan, Jacob & family, Chloe, Brian, Scott, Aimee & Kevin, Toby, Celine, Kenneth, Brittany, Jeanette, Jeff, Karlin, Ashley, Talia, Montana, Nathan, Betty Jean, Brandon, Thomas, Don & Marie, Peter & family, Braden, Randall, James, Braylin, Branden, Rosanna, Hudson, Jon & Serenity, Marilyn, Cicily, Alexander, Victor & Leanne.

***For the reposed:*** Newly-departed Jim, Archpr. Michael; Met. PHILIP; Archps. Gordon & Jack; Prs. Basil, Terry & David; Hmks. Athanasios & John; Mnk. Simeon; Dns. Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Mark, Michael, John & Mark; Sbdn. Neil; Khs. Terry Elizabeth & Doris; Presb. Barbara; Solomon.

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

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