



Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church

7th SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 6. Holy

Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council.

Afterfeast of Ascension. Martyr Aquilina of

Byblos in Syria (293). St. Triphyllius, Bishop of Leucosia (Nicosia),

Lord's Day – 6-13-2021

Christ has ascended into Glory!

Tone 6 Troparion (Resurrection)

The Angelic Powers were at Thy tomb;
the guards became as dead men.

Mary stood by Thy grave,
seeking Thy most pure body.

Thou didst capture hell not being tempted by it.

Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life.

O Lord, Who didst rise from the dead, //
glory to Thee.

Tone 4 Troparion (Ascension)

Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God,
granting joy to Thy Disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit.

Through the blessing, they were assured

that Thou art the Son of God, //

the Redeemer of the world!

Tone 8 Troparion (Fathers)

Thou art most glorious, O Christ our God,

Who hast established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth.

Through them Thou hast guided us to the True Faith. //

O greatly compassionate One, glory to Thee!

Tone 8 Kontakion (Fathers)

The Apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrines have
established one Faith for the Church.

Adorned with the robe of truth, woven from heavenly

theology, // It defines and glorifies the great mystery of piety.

Tone 6 Kontakion

When Thou hadst fulfilled the dispensation for our sake,
and united earth to heaven,

Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God,

not being parted from those who love Thee,

but remaining with them and crying: //

"I am with you, and there is no one against you!"

Tone 4 Prokeimenon (Song of the Three Holy Children)

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, / and praised and
glorified is Thy Name forever! (*Song of the Three Holy*

Children, v. 3)

V. *For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us! (v. 4)*

Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. *The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting. (Ps. 49:1)*

V. *Gather to Me My venerable ones, who made a covenant with
Me by sacrifice! (Ps. 49:6)*

(Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing:)

Magnify, O my soul, Christ the Giver of Life, Who hath ascended
from earth to heaven!

We magnify thee, O Mother of God, who beyond reason and
understanding gave birth in time to the Timeless One.

Holy Scripture:

Acts 20.16-18, 28-36 (Epistle)

In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he would not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hurrying to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the Day of Pentecost. From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called for the elders of the church. And when they had come to him, he said to them: . . . "Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears. So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I have coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me. I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

John 17.1-13 (Gospel)

At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said:

"Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.

Services and Activities

(Calendar changes are updated on the website)

TODAY June 13 - Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council - Divine Liturgy - 9:30am

- Parish Council Meeting - following coffee hour

Wed. June 16 - Understanding the Creed 3 - 6pm

Sat. June 19 - Great Vespers -4pm

Sun. June 20 - Holy Day - Pentecost - Divine Liturgy - 9:30 am

- Vespers with kneeling prayers. - Last Atrium for summer

Mon. June 21-July 9th - Fr. Daniel on vacation

Sat. June 26 - Panahidka for Richard Onest -11am (luncheon to follow in hall)

Sun. June 27- Deaconal Liturgy with communion - Fr.

Dcn.Theodosius serving

Sun. July 4th - Readers Liturgy (no holy communion)

NOTICE: Our Patronal Feast on June 29 has been moved to Old calendar Mon. July 12

Many years to:

Ron Urban and Karen Raydo

On their uniting in holy wedlock on June 6th

**Isaiah Daniel Mark Mathewson and his
sponsors Preston and Olivia Snyder on
Isaiah's holy illumination on June 12th !**

Jeremiah Stoltz

**on his graduation from High school last
week!**

Parish Cleaning—Thank you to many who have signed up to help with cleaning, there are a few spots still open, see Lisa for more info.

Ladies Altar Society and Hospitality - Continues to make preparations for the 100th and will be preparing to make pirogies, help is needed.

100th Planning and Prep...

-Marie is putting together a recipe book for our 100th Anniversary. Please submit your favorite recipes to her before June 30th.

-Video interviews are being taken, and or you can submit your own from home.

-Old photos are being collected for display in the hall please submit any photos from the last 25 years to Mat. Gail.

- The Theotokos Garden is taking shape...See Fr. Daniel if you would like to help.

- Thank you to all who have donated toward the 100th event! Donations are still being accepted.

- There are posters and fliers available, please take a few and put them up in your area.

###TODAY Some Tomato plants are **still** left by the hall—please take a couple for your garden. These are a donation to us from our UPS guy Chris. He asks that you return any plastic containers.

only for the worthiness of Him Who offered it, but also for the purity of the offering. Therefore, this is the perfect victory against sin. This is the triumph of the human nature. The human nature could not have descended to a lower point, than that at which it arrived after the fall of Adam; but neither could have it ascended to a higher point, than that at which the New Adam raised it with His Ascension!"

[Protopresbyter George Dion Dragas]

Soul Food from the Hymnology of the Pentecostarion

"O Lord, the apostles saw Thee being lifted up in the clouds. O life-giving Christ. they were filled with sorrow, and wept with lamentation, saying with grief: 'O Master, since Thou art compassionate, do not leave us, Thy servants, as orphans, whom Thou didst love in Thy mercy. But as Thou didst promise, send us Thine All-Holy Spirit to illumine our souls.'" [Ascension Great Vespers, 2nd Plagal tone]

Holy Fathers

When the soul knows the love of God by the Holy Spirit, then he clearly feels that the Lord is our own Father, the closest, dearest Father, the best. And there is not greater happiness than to love God with all the mind and heart, and our neighbor as ourself. And when this love is in the soul, then all things bring joy to the soul.

(St. Silouan the Athonite, Writings, IX.15)

Don't be troubled if you don't feel the love of God in yourself, but think about the Lord, that He is merciful, and guard yourself from sins, and the grace of God will teach you.

(St. Silouan the Athonite, Writings, IX.16)

Pray with out ceasing...

PLEASE INCLUDE THESE OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN

YOUR DAILY PRAYERS: Those in need - The newly illumined servant of God Isaiah Daniel, Preston, Olivia, Fr. Andrew, Fr. Isaac, Fr. David, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Zachariah, Fr. Patrick, Prez. Alexandria, Mat. Gail, Mat. Donna, Mat. Pirsilla, Barbra, Karen, Mary B. Margret, Bill S., Lexi, Charlotte, Cayllin, John, Nickolas, Timothy, Amanda, Damian, Delani, Jeremiah, Christine, Rick, Samuel, Megan, Valentina, Sandy

The Homebound Tanya, Mary G

Catechumen- Christian... Military servers...Greg

Special requests... Paul, Gilbert, Phyllis, Anthony, Ian, Paul, James, Sean, Liam, Bill, Wesley, Kim, Margaret, Loren, Julia, Shelby, Janet, Lynn, Margret. Helen, Dan, Jonathan, Donna, Nicholas, Maya, Mia, Charles, ...

Newly Departed : Marie Guidus, Vincent, Richard, George, Ruth, Pearl, Jim(Grace's Dad), Ann, Lillian, Archbishop David, Metropolitan Maximos, Alice, Metro. Theodosius, William, Claudia, Theona, Helen,...
Departed Orthodox -Mat. Anastasia, Jeff, Catherine, Marilyn, Rodney, Irene, Fr. Matthew Baker, John B., John S., Ann, Katherine, Vernon, Paul, James Nickolai, Andrew, Peter, Paul, Margaret, Michael Mary Ann, Timothy...

(IF you would like a name added to the list above give it to Fr. Daniel in writing.)

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The Ascension as a Triumph of our Human Nature

"At the Ascension of Christ, God the Father accepted the first-fruits of our humanity; and was well pleased not