



# Saints Peter and Paul

## Orthodox Church

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10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone

1. Afterfeast of the Dormition. Translation of the Image “Not-made-by-hands” of our Lord Jesus Christ from Edessa to Constantinople (944). (Third “Feast of the Savior in August”). Martyr Diomedes the Physician of Tarsus in Cilicia (298). Ven. Cherimon (Chæremon) of Egypt (4th c.). The “FEODOROVSKAYA” Icon of the Mother of God (1239).

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Pray with out ceasing...

**PLEASE INCLUDE THESE OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN**

**YOUR DAILY PRAYERS:** Those in need -Fr. Patrick, Fr. Andrew, Fr. Isaac, Fr. David, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Joseph, Mat. Gail, Mat. Donna, Mat. Pirsilla, Megan, George, Valerie R., Matt, Alice, Margaret, Charlotte, Cayllin, Mary G., Melissa, Debra, Eliza, Pearl, William, Karen, John, Nickolas, Timothy, Amanda, Damian, Delani, Jeremiah, Christine, Rick, Samuel, Timothy M., Andrew, Kati, Simeon, Megan, Andrew, Margret-Ann, Lorelly, Evan, Valentina The Homebound Ann, Tanya, Richard, Ruth, Lillian (Bernice) Catechumen-Christian... Military servers...Greg ...Newly Departed : David Witten, Fr. Paul Lasar, William Suschek, Claudia Sukel, Theona Sekel, Helen Miller, ...Departed Orthodox -Mat. Anastasia, Jeff, Catherine, Marilyn, Rodney, Irene, John B., John S., Ann, Katherine, Vernon, Paul, James Nickolai, Andrew, Peter, Paul, Margaret, Michael Mary Ann, Timothy... Special requests... Paul, Gilbert, Phyllis, Anthony, Ian, Paul, James, Sean, Liam, Bill, Wesley, Kim, Jim, Margaret, Loren, Russell, Julia, Shelby, Janet, Lynn, Margret. Helen, Dan, Jonathan, Donna, Nicholas, Maya, Eric, Mia

### **Holy Hymns:**

**Tone 1 Troparion (Resurrection)**

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure body, You rose on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life:  
“Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ!  
Glory to Your Kingdom!//  
Glory to Your dispensation, O Lover of mankind!”

**Tone 2 Troparion (“Icon not-made-by-hands”)**

We venerate Your most pure image, O Good One; and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ our God. Of Your own will You were pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh and deliver Your creatures from bondage to the Enemy. Therefore with thankfulness we cry aloud to You:  
“You have filled all with joy, O our Savior, // by coming to save the world.”

**Tone 1 Troparion (Dormition)**

In giving birth you preserved your virginity. In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos. You were translated to life O Mother of Life, // and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death.

**Tone 1 Kontakion (Resurrection)**

As God, You rose from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Yourself. Human nature praises You as God, for death has vanished. Adam exults, O Master!  
Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to You:// “You are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!”

**Tone 2 Kontakion (“Icon not-made-by-hands”)**

Uncircumscribed Word of the Father, as we behold the victorious image of Your true incarnation, not made by hands, but divinely wrought in Your ineffable and divine dispensation towards us, // we honor it with veneration.

**Tone 2 Kontakion (Dormition)**

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos, who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions. For being the Mother of Life, // she was translated to life by the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.

**Tone 1 Prokeimenon (Resurrection)**

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us /as we have set our hope on You! (Ps 32/33:22)  
*v: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! (Ps 32/33:1)*

**Tone 4 Prokeimenon (“Icon not-made-by-hands”)**

Sing to the Lord a new song, / for the Lord has done marvelous things! (Ps 97/98:1)

**Tone 1**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.  
*v: God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me. (Ps 17/18:47)*  
*v: He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and his seed forever. (Ps 17/18:50)*

**Tone 4**

*v: O Lord, we will walk in the light of Your countenance, and will exult in Your name forever. (Ps 88/89:15b)*

### **Holy Scripture:**

**Colossians 1:12-18 (Epistle, Image)**

giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.

**1 Corinthians 4:9-16 (Epistle)**

For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are distinguished, but we are dishonored! To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless. And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we treat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now. I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you. For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. Therefore I urge you, imitate me.

**Luke 9:51-56; 10:22-24 (Gospel, Image)**

Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem, and sent messengers before His face. And as they went, they entered a village of the Samaritans, to prepare for Him. But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem. And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?" But He turned and rebuked them, and said, "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives but to save them." And they went to another village. All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him." Then He turned to His disciples and said privately, "Blessed are the eyes which see the things you see; for I tell you that many prophets and kings have desired to see what you see, and have not seen it, and to hear what you hear, and have not heard it."

**Matthew 17:14-23 (Gospel)**

And when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him." Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me." And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting." Now while they were staying in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and the third day He will be raised up." And they were exceedingly sorrowful.

**Services and Announcements:**

This week...

Wed. Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> – Vesperal Liturgy – 6pm

Sat. Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Great Vespers- 6pm

-Atrium and parish education will resume on August 30<sup>th</sup>.

-Parish Council Meeting – Aug. 23rd

**It's A Double Wedding!!**

On September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 2:00pm

Fr. Daniel And Mat. Gail announce that...

**Jesse Mathewson will wed Grace Vorisck  
and  
Olivia Mathewson will wed Preston Snyder  
at our parish.**

Please RSVP Grace or Olivia by August 23<sup>rd</sup>, if you are attending.

**Holy Fathers**

Adorn yourself with truth, try to speak truth in all things; and do not support a lie, no matter who asks you. If you speak the truth and someone gets mad at you, don't be upset, but take comfort in the words of the Lord: Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of truth, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven (Matt. 5:10).

(St. Gennadius of Constantinople, The Golden Chain, 26,29).

If a person wants to get an idea about the pyramids of Egypt, he must either trust those who have been in immediate proximity to the pyramids, or he must get next to them himself. There is no third option.

In the same way a person can get an impression of God: He must either trust those who have stood and stand in immediate proximity to God, or he must take pains to come into such proximity himself.

(St. Nicholas of Serbia, Thoughts on Good and Evil)

If a man has no worries about himself at all for the sake of love toward God and the working of good deeds, knowing that God is taking care of him, this is a true and wise hope. But if a man takes care of his own business and turns to God in prayer only when misfortunes come upon him which are beyond his power, and then he begins to hope in God, such a hope is vain and false. A true hope seeks only the Kingdom of God... the heart can have no peace until it obtains such a hope. This hope pacifies the heart and produces joy within it.

(St. Seraphim of Sarov, Works, 4)

The purpose of God's Providence is to unite, by means of right faith and spiritual love, people who have been separated by evil. To this end the Savior also suffered for us, "in order to gather together the children of God who were scattered." (John 11:52)

(St. Maximus Confessor, Chapters of Love, 4.17)

Sin makes man a coward; but a life in the Truth of Christ makes Him bold.

(St. John Chrysostom, On the Statues, VIII.2)

Whoever has become a servant of the Lord fears only his Master. But whoever is without the fear of God is often afraid of his own shadow. Fearfulness is the daughter of unbelief. A proud soul is the slave of fear; hoping in itself, it comes to such a state that it is startled by a small noise, and is afraid of the dark. (St. John of the Ladder, The Ladder, 21.11,1,4)