FEBRUARY 23, 2025 BULLETIN – LAST JUDGMENT (MEATFARE)

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Ss Peter & Paul Mission: preserve, practice, and proclaim the Gospel of our Lord, God, & Savior Jesus Christ in order to glorify God in the parish and wider community.

	<u>T</u>	his Week @ Ss. Peter & Paul –			
February 24-March 2, 2025					
2/24	Mo	6:00 am – Divine Lit. – 1 st & 2 nd Finding			
		of Head of John the Baptist			
2/25	Tu	7:00 am – Readers Orthros			
		10:00 am – Akathist for Healing			
		6:30 pm – Adult choir rehearsal			
2/26	Wd	6:00 pm – Paraklesis			
2/27	Th	7:00 am – Men's Reading Group			
3/1	Sa	8:00 am – Men's Breakfast			
		10:30 am – Fr. John Finley retreat @ St.			
		Lawrence Orthodox Church in Felton			
		6:00 pm – Great Vespers & Compline			
3/2	Su	Su 8:20 am – Orthros			
		9:30 am – Divine Liturgy – Forgiveness			
		Sunday (Cheesefare)			
		10:20 am - Church School			
		Trisagion prayers for Dan Oakes &			
		Mike Burke			
		Youth choir sings			
		Bake sale fund raiser			
		Adult choir rehearsal			
		6:00 pm – Forgiveness Vespers			

Looking Ahead—

March 3	LENT BEGINS	
	Great Compline w/Canon of St. Andrew	
March 4	Great Compline w/Canon of St. Andrew	
March 5	Presanctified Divine Liturgy followed by	
	Soup Supper	
March 6	Great Compline w/Canon of St. Andrew	
March 7	Little Compline w/Akathist	

CALENDAR ITEMS

If you have anything you would like to put on the church calendar, including Trisagion prayers, please contact Dn. Anthony at rdnranthony@gmail.com.

	Many Years – Birthday	
Marc Sacoolas		February 24
Eunkyung Otte		February 25
Dane Peterson		March 1

Youth choir practice today

Community Dinner TODAY @ 2:00 pm

Donations of non-perishable food items, money, and helpers to make and distribute the dinner needed. Leave food items in the parish hall kitchen or industrial refrigerator marked for Community Dinner, not the residential refrigerator. To volunteer, contact Amanda Baillie at (832) 713-7583.

MARCH 1 SEMINAR WITH FR. JOHN FINLEY

Please RSVP to St. Lawrence Orthodox Church at (831) 335-0300 if you plan to attend the one day seminar taught by Fr John Finley on Saturday, March 1, beginning at 10:30 am. The seminar is on "The Inner Heaven of Man: The Healing of the Mind, Heart, and Will" according to St. Nikolai Zica, the Serbian saint who compiled the Prologue of Ohrid. Lunch will be provided. Donations accepted.

Meatfare BBQ: bring your own meat; bring a side dish/salad to share

6:00 am Monday February 24
Divine Liturgy — 1st & 2nd Findings of the
Venerable Head of John the Baptist

Forgiveness Vespers Sunday, March 2 6:00 pm

Adult choir rehearsal Tuesday, February 25

MARCH 9 SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY PAN-ORTHODOX VESPERS

We will celebrate the Sunday of Orthodoxy with a Pan-Orthodox Vespers service on the evening of March 9. Multiple Orthodox Churches will be invited to celebrate with us. A tea and cookie reception will follow. This is in addition to our morning services, which include a procession with icons around the church.

To all of my fellow parishioners of Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church:

Please accept my sincere gratitude for your recent prayers as I underwent open heart surgery to repair my mitral valve. It was a birth defect that worsened recently to the point where it was affecting my blood flow. Without repair, my life would be shortened with declining quality.

Thanks be to God and He hearing your prayers for me, the surgery was a resounding success and I am on the road to a full recovery and long life.

Your prayers were and are appreciated as greatly, as I am pleased to be a member of such a loving community, in Christ.

So, thank you all, "From the Bottom of My Heart..."

Yours in Christ, John Ivancovich

SCHEMAMONK PAUL ORDAINED TO PRIESTHOOD

Hieromonk Paul was ordained to the holy priesthood at the Balamand Monastery in Lebanon by Patriarch John X on February 9. Metropolitan Saba has commissioned Hieromonk Paul to supervise Life-Giving Trinity Monastery in Grand Junction, Tennessee.

LOS ANGELES FIRE RELIEF FUND

FOCUS is responding to the fires in southern California through the Los Angeles Fire Relief Fund. A donation to the Fund will directly provide: gift cards for immediate needs, essential items like food, clothing, and hygiene supplies, and rebuilding assistance to help families restore what was lost. To donate go here.

MISSION SUNDAY - MARCH 9

The Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) is the agency of the Assembly of Bishops in the United States that coordinates Orthodox missionary efforts. OCMC sends missionaries and mission specialists throughout the world, including Albania, Brazil, Guatemala, Kenya, Mexico, Romania, Tanzania, Tonga, and Uganda. It also supports mission priests and seminaries, trains Church leaders, and funds mission grants. To learn more about OCMC, and to contribute, check out their website at www.ocmc.org.

TIMES FOR CONFESSION

Confessions are heard after Vespers on Wednesday evenings (by appointment), on Saturday evenings following Great Vespers and by appointment during the week. If you desire to go to confession during Orthros, come prior to 9:15 am and send a message to one of the priests through one of the deacons.

KITCHEN MINISTRY UPDATE

March 1

The kitchen ministry team sends you a heartfelt thank you for helping update the kitchen. Among other things they have purchased new cutting boards, towels, and hot pads. There are also new fans! If you would like to donate items that are used regularly, like hot chocolate, tea, sugar, etc. please see Marilyn Spurgeon.

ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

The Antiochian Women of DLAW's Lenten retreat this year is April 4-6 at Camp St. Nicholas, Frazier Park, CA. The guest speaker will be V. Rev. Fr. Michael Nasser from St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church in Grand Rapids, MI. The theme of the retreat is "Keeping Faith in a Confusing, Chaotic World." Registration info coming soon.

Memory Eternal Stanley Robertson