VARIABLES – NOVEMBER 24, 2024

SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN SABA, ARCHBISHOP OF NEW YORK AND METROPOLITAN OF ALL NORTH AMERICA HIS GRACE BISHOP ANTHONY, AUXILIARY BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF LOS ANGELS AND THE WEST REVEREND FATHER CHRISTOPHER DILLON, PASTOR REVEREND FATHER GEORGE WASHBURN, REVEREND FATHER JOHN CHRISTIANSON

"If you worship Christ in your heart, you can save your kinsfolk as well as yourself; if your heart worships father and mother, son and daughter, you will certainly lose both yourself and them." St. Nicolai of Zica

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

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

After-feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos

CLEMENT, BISHOP OF ROME; HIEROMARTYR PETER, BISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom—Hymns & Scriptures

Variable Hymns – see music in packet

Troparion of the Resurrection, Tn. 5, Byzantine

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Apolytikion of Entrance of the Theotokos, Tn. 4, Byzantine

Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying, Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation.

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.

<u>Clergy only – Kontakion of Entrance of the Theotokos, Tn. 4, Byzantine</u>

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, into the House of the Lord on this day is brought forward and bringeth with herself the grace of the Most Divine Spirit; her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians (6:11-18).

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the Cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the Law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all, who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (3:13-17)

The Lord said, "No one has ascended into heaven but He who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent His Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Him."

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.

For the living: Newly illumined Chrissy, Magdalena; Bp. Anthony; Prs. John, Thomas; Khs. Barbara, Carla, Jordan, Mary; Sylvia, Lynne & Roger, Patty, Marilyn, Kurt, Edward, Magdalena, Kay, Noah, Timothy, Alexander, Jeremiah, Alex, Hector, Saoirse, Persephone, Samuel, Verity, Christine, Atticus, Evelynn, Enrica, Jon & Serenity, Ada, Grayson, Emmett, Sage, Rosanna, Beverly, Ares.

For those who are pregnant and their unborn children: Monica.

For the reposed: Met. Philip; Aps. Gordon, Jack; Prs. Tom, Stephen, Basil, David, Terry; Hmks. Ephraim, John, Athanasios; Mnk. Simeon; Dns. Mark, John, Mark, Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Michael, Daniel; Khs. Judy, Jedonne, Terry Elizabeth, Doris; Presbs. Zinnia, Barbara; Boris, Glaphyra; Dale, Michelle, Rick, Lester; Beatrice, Virgil, James, Suzi, Richard, Emily, Sarah.

For those serving in the Armed Forces: Brycen, Jonathan, David, Jacob, Gregory, Daniel, Don, Scott, Michelle, Noah.