

VARIABLES – NOVEMBER 21, 2021

# SS. PETER & PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN JOSEPH, ARCHBISHOP OF NEW YORK AND METROPOLITAN OF ALL NORTH AMERICA

REVEREND FATHER CHRISTOPHER DILLON, PASTOR

REVEREND FATHER GEORGE WASHBURN, REVEREND FATHER THOMAS LINDSAY

*“When asked why the good Lord permits assaults and trials to fall on the true Faith while He permits the pleasure of tranquility to heresies and paganism, St. John Chrysostom replied: “So that you might recognize their weakness (i.e. of heresies and paganism) when you see that they disintegrate on their own without any disturbance—and also be convinced of the power of the faith that endures misfortunes and even multiplies through its adversities.”*”

**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.

## Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos

### 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.

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

Today is the prelude of God’s goodwill, the herald of the salvation of mankind. The virgin is revealed in the temple of God, foretelling the coming of Christ to all. Let us cry to her with all our strength: Hail, O fulfillment of the Creator’s plan.

Kontakion of Entrance of the Theotokos, Tn. 4, Byzantine – sung by clergy only

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews (9:1-7)

Brethren, the first tabernacle had ordinances of the divine services and an earthly sanctuary. For the first tabernacle was prepared, in which were the candlestick, and the table, and the bread of the offering, which is called the Sanctuary. And behind the second veil stood the tabernacle which is called the Holy of Holies; having a golden altar of incense, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, which contained a golden jar holding the manna, and Aaron’s rod that budded, and the two tablets of the covenant; and above it the two Cherubim of glory overshadowing the Ark’s lid; of these things, we cannot now speak in particular. Now these things having been thus prepared, the priests go in continually into the first tabernacle, accomplishing the divine services; but into the second the high priest enters alone, once in the year, not without blood, which he offers for himself, and for the ignorances of the people.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (10:38-42; 11:27-28)

At that time, Jesus entered a certain village; and a woman named Martha received Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet and listened to His teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to Him and said, “Lord, dost Thou not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.” But the Lord answered her, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has

chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her.” As He said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, “Blessed is the womb that bore Thee, and the breasts that Thou didst suck!” But He said, “Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”

**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. 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. Ed, Thaddeus, Joshua & Mat. Ekaterina; Dns. Marc, Richard & Sh. Barbara; Kh. Maria, Mat. Sophia; Shs. Camille-Anna & Brittany; Steven, Ginny, Cameron, Matthew, Marissa, Matt & Amy, Fiona, Jessica, Hugh, Joshua, Roger, Amy, Simon, Alexander, Katie, James & family, Karl, Kurt, Charles, Rebeca, Sophia, Maryfaith, Martha, Caitlin Charity, Gabriel Dane, Thompson family, Ellena & family, Cherice & family, Chad, Earlene, Christian, Caleb, Jesse, Aaron, Andrew & family, Jonathan, Kendra, Mark, Paul, Andrew, Victoria, Marianne, Dennis, Lisa, Joseph & Stacy, Yvette, Barbara, Simeon, Crystal, Anne, Jesse, Willy, Leanne, Pam & Nick, Peter & family, Dave, Suzi, Heidi, Alicia, Betty Jean, Ron, Don & Marie, Peter & family, Braden, Evelyn, Braylin, Eric, Sabrina, Ebony, Eric, DJ, Branden, Rosanna, Jon & Serenity, Julia, Ronald, Michael-Ann, Lucia.

**For the reposed:** Newly-departed Priest Tom, Michelle, Wendell, Magdalene, Anne; Met. PHILIP; Aps. Gordon, Jack; Prs. Basil, Terry, David; Hmks. Athanasios, John; Mnk. Simeon; Dns. Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Mark, Michael, John, Mark; Khs. Terry Elizabeth, Doris, Judy; Presb. Barbara; Kayleen, James, Daniel, Karen, Larry.

**For those who are pregnant and their unborn children:** Christina, Heidi.

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