

Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church

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July 23, 2023 / 7th Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 6)

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE SIX

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.

TROPARION OF ST. TROPHIMUS IN TONE FOUR

Thy holy martyr Trophimus and his companions, O Lord, / through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from Thee, our God. / For having Thy strength, they laid low their adversaries, / and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. // Through their intercession, save our souls!

- Sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE SIX

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, / raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, / He bestowed resurrection on the human race. // He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance! v. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (15:1-7)

Brethren, we then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me." For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.

ALLELUIA IN TONE SIX

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

- v. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.
- v. He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust."

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:27-35)

When Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us!" And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith let it be to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, "See that no one knows it." But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country. As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!" But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons." Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

COMMUNION HYMN

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

TODAY'S SAINTS

Saints commemorated on July 23: Martyr Trophimus of Lycia and 14 Companions; Hieromartyr Apollinaris, Bishop of Ravenna; Hieromartyr Vitalius, Bishop of Ravenna; St. Liborius, Bishop of Le Mans; St. Anna of Leukadio.

TODAY'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Sanctuary Lamp offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Wilfred J. Royer (anniversary of birth).

<u>UPCOMING SERVICES</u>

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers 9:20 AM (Sunday) – Third Hour & Divine Liturgy

PARISH EVENTS

(1) Fr. Sophrony will return the morning of July 28, 2023. In the event of an emergency before Fr. Sophrony returns, please call Fr. John Fencik at 201-436-5549 or the nearest Orthodox priest. Many thanks to Fr. Paul Kucynda for celebrating Divine Liturgy for us today.

