

Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church

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NOVEMBER 12, 2023 / 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (TONE 6)

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE SIX

The Angelic <u>Powers</u> were at Thy tomb; / the guards became as <u>dead</u> men. / Mary <u>stood</u> by Thy grave, / seeking Thy most pure <u>body</u>. / Thou didst capture hell not being <u>tempted</u> by it. / Thou didst come to the Virgin, <u>granting</u> life. / O Lord, Who didst <u>rise</u> from the dead, // <u>glo</u>ry to Thee.

TROPARION OF ST. JOHN THE MERCIFUL IN TONE EIGHT

By endurance thou didst <u>gain</u> thy re<u>ward</u>, venerable <u>Fa</u>ther; / thou didst perse<u>vere</u> in <u>prayer</u> un<u>ceasingly</u>; / thou didst love the <u>poor</u> and pro<u>vide</u> for them in <u>all</u> things. // Blessed John the <u>Mer</u>ciful, inter<u>cede</u> with Christ God that our <u>souls</u> may be saved!

TROPARION OF ST. NILUS THE FASTER IN TONE EIGHT

By a flood of <u>tears</u> thou didst <u>make</u> the desert <u>fer</u>tile, / and thy longing for <u>God</u> brought forth <u>fruits</u> in <u>abundance</u>. / By the <u>radiance</u> of <u>mir</u>acles thou didst ill<u>u</u>mine the whole <u>u</u>niverse. // Our holy Father <u>Nil</u>us, <u>pray</u> to Christ our God to <u>save</u> our souls!

- Choir sings troparion of Apostles Peter & 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 <u>Giver</u> of Life, / raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His <u>mighty</u> hand, / He bestowed resurrection on the <u>human race</u>. // He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the <u>God</u> 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 Ephesians. (2:4-10)

Brethren, God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are

His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

ALLELUIA IN TONE SIX

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

- v. He who dwelleth 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 of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (10:25-37)

behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" So he answered and said, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself." And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

COMMUNION HYMN

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

TODAY'S SAINTS

Saints commemorated on November 12th: St. John the Merciful, Patriarch of Alexandria; St. Nilus the Faster, of Sinai; St. Nilus the Myrrh-gusher, of Mount Athos; St, Renatus, Bishop of Angers; St. Aemilian, Abbot of Cogolla Abbey; Prophet Ahijah the Shilonite; St. Anastasius of Pannonhalma, 1st Archbishop of Esztergom; St. Himerius, Hermit in Switzerland; St. Cunibert, Bishop of Cologne; St. Lebuinus, Apostle of the Frisians; St. Machar, Bishop of Aberdeen; Monk-martyr Ymar of Reculver; St. John the Merciful, "Fool-for-Christ" of Rostov.

TODAY'S PARASTAS

Parastas in memory of John and Theodosia DeMay, offered by the DeMay Family, and in memory of Benedict Benda, offered by the Benda Family.

TODAY'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Vigils, Sanctuary Lamp, and **Triple Candelabra** offered by Eva Benda in memory of Benedict Benda (anniversary of repose). **St. John's** and **St. Nicholas' Crosses** offered by the DeMay Family in memory of John and Theodosia DeMay (anniversaries of repose).

UPCOMING SERVICES

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

PARISH & LOCAL EVENTS

- (1) The Annual Parish Meeting shall be held in the church hall on Sunday, November 19, 2023 after the 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy. Rocnyj Miting Parafial'nyj otbutdetsja v Nedil'u, Nojabre 19-ho, 2023. Sluzba Boha o 9:30 hodini rano. Miting budet posli Sluzby Bozoj.
- (2) The Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops in North America has mandated, as it has in the past, that the Sunday before Thanksgiving is "IOCC Sunday." Your contributions using the "charity envelope" from your church envelopes will be earmarked for the benefit of IOCC (International Orthodox Christian Charities). For those who don't use church envelopes, put your offering in a plain envelope marked "IOCC Sunday." A basket will also be set out after Divine Liturgy on November 19, 2023.
- (3) Our parish's FOCA chapter asks for your support in collecting gift cards, in any denomination, usable at Amazon, Target, Walmart, Kohl's, and Barnes & Noble, for its annual "St. Nicholas Wish List Program," which will fulfill the Christmas wishes of seminarian families at St. Herman's Seminary in Kodiak, Alaska. Thank you for your generosity!

