



Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church

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TODAY'S SAINTS

Martyrs and Confessors Gurias, Samonas, and Abibus, of Edessa; Martyrs Elpidius, Marcellus, and Eustochius; Martyr Demetrius of Thrace; St. Paisius Velichkovsky; Martyr Eugene of Paris; Hieromartyr Felix, first Bishop of Nola, and Thirty Companions; St. Luperius the Confessor, Bishop of Verona; St. Malo, first Bishop of Aleth (in Brittany); St. Desiderius, Bishop of Cahors; St. Paduinus, first Abbot of St Mary's (near Le Mans); St. Arnulf, Bishop of Toul; St. Philip of Rabanga, founder of the Savior-Transfiguration Monastery (near Kadnikov)

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 HOLY MARTYRS IN TONE FIVE

Christ our God, Thou hast granted us the miracles of Thy holy martyrs / Gurias, Samonas and Abibas, / as a stronghold and protection. / Through their prayers, strengthen those in authority in every good deed, // for Thou alone art merciful and the Lover of mankind!

- *Now 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 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, 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 from 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 SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Vigils offered by the Benda Family in memory of Benedict Benda (anniversary of repose).

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting is today after Divine Liturgy, *in the church (not the church hall)*.

SINCERE SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy to parishioner Jerome Kovach, whose father, Francis Kovach, passed into blessed repose on November 9, 2020. Memory Eternal! Вічна Пам'ять!

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICES

6:00 PM (Friday) – Great Vespers w. Lity

9:30 AM (Saturday) – Divine Liturgy

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:20 AM (Sunday) – Third Hour

9:30 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

"If anyone were to ask me, how the Most Holy Virgin spent the time of Her youth, I would answer that that is known to God Himself and the Archangel Gabriel, Her constant guardian."

– St. Jerome (c. 345-420)