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September 27, 2026 / 17th Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 8)

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE EIGHT

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! / Thou didst accept the three day burial to free us from our sufferings! // O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

TROPARION OF MARTYR CALLISTRATUS IN TONE THREE

In contest thou wast strengthened by the Holy Spirit, O Martyr Callistratus, / and wast glorious in casting down the Enemy. / Thou didst offer a noble army of passion-bearers / as sweet-smelling incense to Christ. // With them pray for us who praise thee with hymns!

- *Choir sings troparion of Apostles Peter & Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE EIGHT

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. / Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, // and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE EIGHT

Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!
v. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (6:16-7:1).

Brethren, what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people." Therefore "Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

ALLELUIA IN TONE EIGHT

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
v. Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!

v. Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

THE GOSPEL

The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (5:1-11).

So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets. Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat. When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net." And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!" For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men." So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

COMMUNION HYMN

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

TODAY'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Vigils offered by Helen Wanko in memory of Mary Grudinoff (anniversary of repose). **Sanctuary Lamp** and **Sacramental Bread** offered by Reader Stephen Wasilewski for the health of his niece, Tatiana Julia, on her tenth birthday. **Triple Candelabra** offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Omer J. Royer.

SAINTS COMMEMORATED TODAY

Commemorated on September 27: Martyr Callistratus of Carthage and 49 Companions; Apostles Mark, Aristarchus, and Zenas (of the Seventy); St. Gaius, first Bishop of Milan; Martyr Epicharis of Rome; St. Flavian, Archbishop of Antioch; St. Ignatius of Christ the Savior Monastery (in Bithynia); New Virgin-martyr Aquilina; Martyrs Fidentius and Terence of Todi; St. Adheritus, Bishop of Ravenna; St. Ceraunus, Bishop of Paris; Martyr Sigeberht, King of East Anglia; St. Sabbatius, Wonderworker of Solovki; New Hieromartyr Anthimus the Georgian, Metropolitan of Wallachia.

UPCOMING SERVICES

9:30 AM (Thursday) – Divine Liturgy [*Protection of the Virgin Mary*]
5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers
9:20 AM (Sunday) – Third Hour & Divine Liturgy

CHURCH EVENTS

- **October 2-4 (Friday-Sunday),** Fall Teen Retreat, YMCA in Claryville, NY. A flyer for this event was attached to this week's electronic mailing of today's bulletin.
- **October 10-21,** The Miraculous, Wonderworking, and Myrrh-streaming Hawaiian Iveron Icon of the Theotokos will be in The New Deanery. See the October issue of "Quo Vadis" for the schedule.

- **October 25 (Sunday),** Our parish's Pasta & Meatball Dinner, in the church hall at 12 PM. See flyer on bulletin board in the vestibule for more information.
- **October 25 (Sunday),** The Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors' Appreciation Dinner will be held starting at 5 PM, at Christ the Saviour Church in Paramus, NJ.
- **October 29-30 (Thursday-Friday)**, Diocesan Assembly, Mother of God Church, Princeton, NJ.
- **November 7 (Saturday),** FOCA NJ District's celebration of its 75th Anniversary, Three Saints Cultural Center, Garfield, NJ. The event starts at 6 PM and tickets are $75. Contact Danielle Kovach-Turk at danielle.kovach17@gmail.com or (646) 530-4387. See flyer on bulletin board in the church vestibule.
- Thank you to all who offered donations to our parish's special collection for "Operation Buffalo." May God bless you for your generosity!