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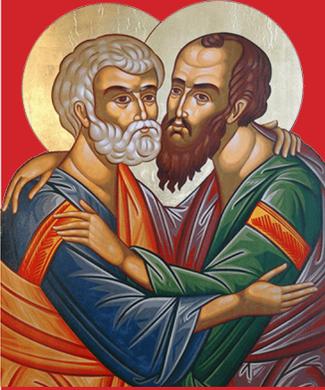
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Welcome visitors! If you are visiting with us for the first time, we greet you in the Holy Name of Christ, our Saviour, and hope you will join us in fellowship after worship. We are genuinely pleased to have you with us today. We must remind you that while the Orthodox Church prays for the unity of all, we do not practice "open Communion." Only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves with prayer, fasting, and regular confession should approach the chalice.

For questions, please contact Fr. James Purdie.
Blessings.



St. Peter traditionally is regarded as the leader of the Twelve Disciples of Jesus. He was intimately connected with the earthly life and ministry of our Lord, and after His death tried to preserve the spiritual legacy left by Jesus to His followers. In the course of his missionary journeys, Peter founded the Church in Antioch, where the followers of Jesus were first called Christians. St. Peter is regarded by the Church as the first Bishop of Antioch, and the present-day Patriarch of Antioch is his successor in that Apostolic See.

St. Paul is the greatest of missionaries. The marvelous story of conversion on the Damascus Road (Acts 9:1-12) is hardly more striking than the rest of his life, one of the greatest adventure stories of history.

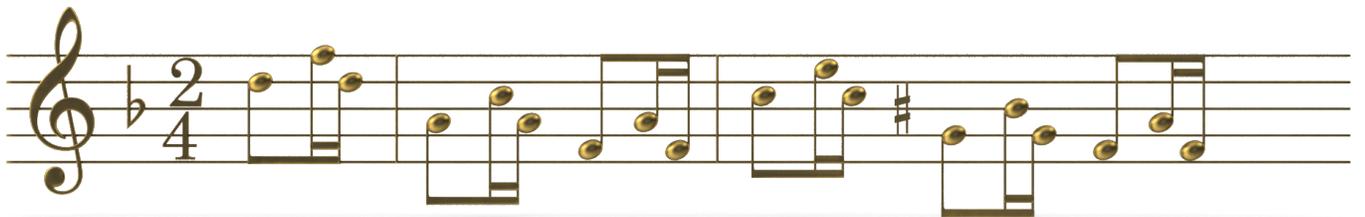
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Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome under Emperor Nero in the year 87. Peter was crucified, head down at his own request [so that he would not die in the same way as Christ], and because Paul was a Roman Citizen, he was beheaded. The Church unites them in a common celebration and gives them identical honor.

Paul, a Pharisee, belonged to the tribe of Benjamin. He was born in Tarsus of Asia Minor. At first, he persecuted the Church with great zeal and violence, imprisoning and killing Christians. But Christ appeared to him on the way to Damascus and changed his heart. He was baptized in Damascus by Ananias. He was to become one of the greatest exponents of Christ's teachings, which he explained in letters or epistles.

Taken from Byzantine Daily Worship.

THE ANTIPHON



THE SECOND ANTIPHON

Save us, O Son of God, Who art wondrous in the Saints; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY WEEKDAYS

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who art wondrous in the saints; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

APOLYTIKION OF SS. PETER AND PAUL IN TONE FOUR

O foremost in the ranks of Apostles, and teachers of the world, Peter and Paul, intercede with the

Master of all to grant peace unto the world, and to our souls the Great Mercy.

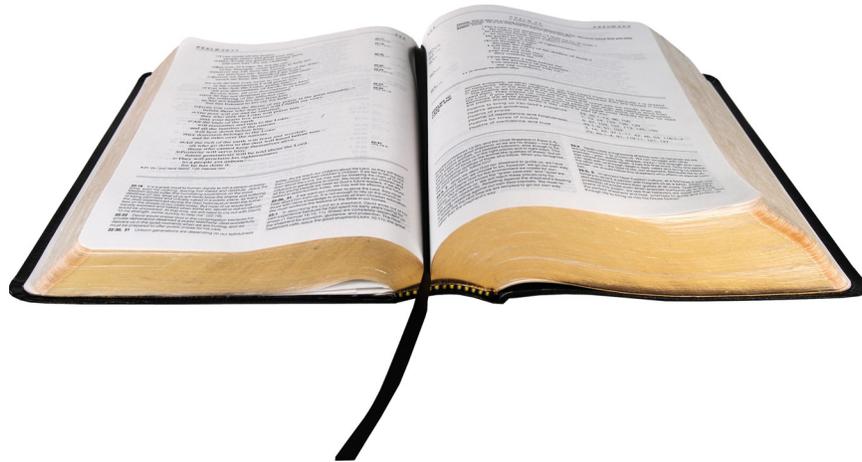
ORDINARY KONTAKION IN TONE TWO

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant,

O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee:

Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

THE EPISTLE



Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth. The heavens show forth the glory of God.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (11:21-12:9)

Brethren, whatever any one dares to boast of—I am speaking as a fool—I also dare to boast of that. Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I. Are they servants of Christ?

I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death.

Five times I have received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I have been beaten with rods; once I was stoned.

Three times I have been shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brethren; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure.

And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure upon me of my anxiety for all the churches.

THE EPISTLE



Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to fall, and I am not indignant? If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.

The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He Who is blessed forever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands.

I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord.

I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows.

And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I

do not know, God knows—and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter.

On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me.

And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated.

Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness.”

I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

THE GOSPEL



The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (16:13-19)

At that time, when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His Disciples, “Who do men say that the Son of man is?”

And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the

living God.”

And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father Who is in Heaven.

And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in Heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in Heaven.”

THE KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN)

KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) FOR THE SAINTS IN TONE EIGHT

Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world; Alleluia.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT (PRAY SILENTLY AFTER RECEIVING THE HOLY GIFTS)

O Master, Christ our God, King of all ages and Maker of all things, I thank Thee for all the good things which Thou hast given me and of partaking of Thine immaculate and life-giving Mysteries. Wherefore, I pray Thee, who art good and loves mankind, keep me under Thy protection and in the shadow of Thy wings, and grant me a pure conscience, even unto my last breath to partake of Thy Holy Gifts for unto Thee we ascribe glory and thanksgiving, together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

OFFERINGS

+ Prayers of Health and Safety are offered for +



Jeff & family, Kh. Kelly & family

Fritts Family, Wenker Family

Elias Family, Basil, Brenda, Ben & family,
Simerick Family, Neal Family, Butler Family,
Thompson Family, Gervais Family, Durfee
Family, DiGiacobbe Family, Lazarou Family,
Hoffman Family, Christine and child, Tarka
Family, Szall Family

Kevin, Shana, and John Hovan

Vic Temple

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Vera, Angela & Children

Michael, Tanya, Kristina, Matthew, Maryann,
Olesnovitch Family, Father Ted, Edith
Nun Thecla, Christopher, Daria, Christopher,
Daniel, Sophia, George, Daniel, Irina,
Ekaterina, Angelina, Igor, Alexander

Renee and child

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Christopher, Daria, Christopher, Daniel,
Sophia, George, Daniel, Irina, nun Thecla,
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Vic and Laura

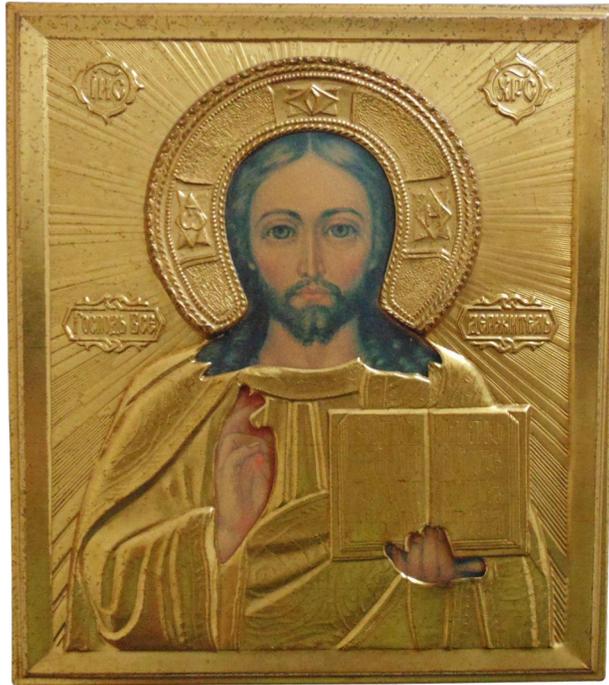
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Daniel, Irina, Daria, Christopher, Daniel
Christopher, Daniel, Sophia, nun Thecla,
Ekaterina, Angelina, Alexander, Dn. Chris
and fam, Ross fam, Nun Katherine,

OFFERINGS

+++ Prayers of Loving Memory are offered for +++



Priscilla and Dan, Lydia, Victor,
Radovanka, william , Lazar
Lydia, Victor, Tatyana, Alexander, Evdokia,
Ephimia, Ephim, Michael, Alexander, Alexey,
Yuri, Boris, Valentin, Vladimir
Glenn and Patrick
Anna, Christopher, Julia, Elena, Helen,
Angeline, Edward, Conrad, Edward, Adelard,
Marie, Bill, Katherine, Charles, Alexander, Eva
Michael, Olga, Nadja, Joan, Joey, Joanne, Mary,
Anna
Priscilla & Dan
Lydia, Victor, Tatyana, Alexander, Evdokia,
Ephimia, Ephim, Michael, Alexander, Alexey,
Yury, Boris, Valentin, Vladimir
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Ephim, Michael, Alexey, Alexander, Turi,
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Bill, Nun Sophia, Nikolay, Maria, Sophia,
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**THIRD SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
PETER AND PAUL, THE HOLY APOSTLES**



Saint Peter, on the left, is portrayed as an elderly man with white hair and beard, his inner garment is traditionally green and his outer garment is yellow or gold. Saint Paul, on the right; is portrayed with brown hair and beard; his inner garment is blue and his outer garment is purple. The saints embrace each other to denote their concord of love and faith in Jesus Christ.

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