

	<b>Bread of Holy Oblation</b>	<b>Fellowship Hour</b>
<b>01 Mar</b>	Mullin Family/IMO Barbara Mullin/40-day	Mullin Family/IMO Barbara Mullin/40-day
<b>08 Mar</b>	Majlaton & Merizian Families/IMO Nimreh Khader	Teen SOYO/Zaatar Sale Majlaton & Merizian Families/IMO Nimreh Khader
<b>15 Mar</b>	Artemis Lampathakis/IMO Yeorgos Memorial Wheat	Nadim Hallah/IMO Leila Hallah
<b>22 Mar</b>	Fuad & Mary Sahouri	Fuad & Mary Sahouri
<b>29 Mar</b>	Neam Family/IMO Laurice Neam (HB & MW)	Steve Simon & Family/IMO Selma Simon

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR  
AND BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION**

Baking or ordering the Holy Bread of Oblation or providing and serving the refreshments for Fellowship Hour following the Liturgy on Sundays is a great way to practice Christian fellowship among our fellow parishioners. Notice the openings to the left and consider contributing to this vital ministry. Sign-up at the hallway door leading into Kogok Hall.

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## Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

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*All Things Are Possible to Him Who Believes*

**Matins:** Sundays 9:30am

**Divine Liturgy:** Sundays 10:30am

**SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 2020**

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**SUNDAY OF FORGIVENESS (CHEESE FARE)**

VENERABLE-MARTYR EUDOKIA OF HELIOPOLIS;  
VENERABLE DOMNINA OF SYRIA;  
MARTYRS MARKELLOS AND ANTHONY OF PAMPHYLIA;  
VENERABLE AGAPIOS OF VATOPEDI MONASTERY ON ATHOS;  
VENERABLE DAVID OF WALES, BISHOP OF MENEVIA

### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (Tone 4)

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

### APOLYTIKION OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL (Tone 4)

O foremost in the ranks of Apostles, and teachers of the world, Peter and Paul, intercede with the Master of all to grant safety to the world and to our souls the great mercy.

### KONTAKION FOR FORGIVENESS SUNDAY (Tone 6)

O Thou Who guidest to wisdom, and givest understanding and intelligence, the Instructor of the ignorant, and Helper of the poor, strengthen my heart and grant it understanding, O Master. Give me word, O Word of the Father; for behold, I shall not refrain my lips from crying to Thee, O merciful One, have mercy upon me who am fallen.

### ANNUAL LENTEN COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT PACKING MEALS FOR AREA FAMILIES IN NEED

Please join us for Ss. Peter and Paul's Annual Lenten Community Service Project. This is an easy and fun way to connect as a church community and give back to our greater D.C.-area community.

We look forward to seeing you there!

**\*When/Where?** Sunday, March 29 following Liturgy in the Church hall

**\*How many meals will we pack?** This depends on how much money we can raise, and how many volunteers we can muster. In the past we packed up to 25,000 meals and we'd love to do the same if not better this year!

**\*How can I contribute and sign-up?** Please see Serene Jweied ([sjweied@gmail.com](mailto:sjweied@gmail.com)); Alganesh Piechocinski ([algapie52@gmail.com](mailto:algapie52@gmail.com)); or Rana Callas ([ranacallas@hotmail.com](mailto:ranacallas@hotmail.com)). If you'd like to contribute online, go to the "make a donation" from the stewardship page on the Church's website and select "Meal Packing 2020" in the drop-down.

**\*What should I wear?** Just bring your two hands and a sensible pair of shoes! Hair nets, aprons, and gloves will be provided.

### *MAKING GOD REAL* *In the Orthodox Christian Home*

By Anthony M. Coniaris

### MAKE LENT A SPIRITUAL SPRING

#### Confession

Lent from the earliest days of Christianity was always a period of public penance—a period of self-examination, a period of clearing away the underbrush of sin to let the Sun (Son) of God's love shine on us.

Many times we become so accustomed to our way of living that we feel it is the only way to live. The doctor in *Les Miserables* spent years in the Bastille mending shoes in the darkness of his cell. When at last the Bastille fell and he was freed he found himself afraid. He was afraid to go out. So the rest of his life was spent in a darkened cell, mending shoes with the door un-locked.

This story brings to mind what St. John Chrysostom said once, "The sun may be shining in all its brightness but each one of us is free to shut it out of our lives merely by closing our eyelids." Unfortunately people can shut the sun out of their lives and become accustomed to the darkness in which they live. Like the cobbler in *Les Miserables*, they become prisoners but by their own choice. For the Sun of God's love is always shining and to let it into our lives is as simple as opening one's eyelids.

During Lent we are urged to come to ourselves, leave the darkness of sin and return to the Father. It is for this reason that the Church offers us the Sacrament of Confession. Orthodox parents should discuss this sacrament with their children and prepare to come to it with them. A very helpful booklet to prepare both parents and children for confession is Fr. Hopko's *If We Confess Our Sins*.

#### The Special Services of Lent

An excellent way to help our children enter into the real meaning of Lent is by attending the many special Lenten services. Foremost among these are:

a. *The Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts*. This ancient liturgy is a living testimony from the early Church testifying to the fact that the Christian cannot live the life of Christ unless he continually renews his union with the Source of Life, Christ, by receiving His precious Body and Blood. During the early Church, the divine liturgy was not celebrated Monday through Friday during Lent because it was joyfully paschal in character and thus, not in keeping with the somber and penitential season of Lent. St. Basil tells us that the Christians of this period had to receive Communion four times a week, i.e., Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. In order not to deprive themselves of the Sacrament on the Wednesdays and Fridays of Lent, the Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts was composed. It is a vesper service to which prayers from the later part of the liturgy are added. The bread and wine are consecrated at the previous Sunday's liturgy and are merely distributed at this liturgy, i.e., there is no consecration of the gifts. The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy is penitential in character. The atmosphere of the sanctuary is somber. Wearing dark vestments the priest offers prayers that are full of humility and penitence. It is one of the most mystical of all services—a service that all Orthodox families should attend together during Lent. (For the text and explanation of this liturgy, use the booklet "The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy" by the Orthodox Church in America or one recommended by your parish priest).

b. *The Akathist Hymn* is chanted on the first five Friday evenings of Lent in Greek Orthodox Churches. It is a beautiful poem enlarging upon the meaning of the angel's greeting to Mary at the Annunciation, "Hail, thou that are highly favoured" (Luke 1:28). A beautiful conversation takes place between the Virgin and the Angel on the meaning of the Incarnation. The story of the birth of Jesus is beautifully retold. The Akathist Hymn is chanted during Lent in view of the fact that the great feast of the Annunciation, which it describes, is usually observed during the Lenten period. The Akathist is the kontakion (a hymn highlighting the main theme of a feast day) of the Annunciation.

Orthodox families should attend this service with an Akathist prayer book to follow the meaning of the beautiful verses. Most churches provide such books before the service.

# Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church News and Events

## CHURCH SCHOOL 2019-2020

We encourage all of our students to attend liturgy on Sundays. Please use the following link to register your children for the 2019-2020 Church School Year : <http://tinyurl.com/registerSunSchool>. For Newsletter <https://tinyurl.com/y48hecx6>  
**Apr 05** \*Church School Pascha Prep Workshop/LL Conf. Rm.

## TEEN SOYO

Ss. Peter & Paul Teen Youth Ministry Group (Teen SOYO) is open to all teens of the Parish (13— 19 years). The teens meet regularly for social, spiritual, and community outreach events.  
**Mar 1** \*Antiochian Village Style Camp Liturgy  
 \*Teen SOYO Mtg. to follow Church School  
**Mar 7** \*Teen SOYO/Golf Excursion to Top Golf (more details to follow)  
**Mar 8** \*Zaatar Sale during Fellowship/we need help & Supplies. Sign-up sheet coming soon.  
**Apr 3-5** \*Delegates meeting at the Antiochian Village  
**Lay Advisors:** see list on page 2

## YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

The Ss. Peter & Paul YAF welcomes all young people over 21 years of age to join in its social, educational, and outreach activities. Please contact Amal Michael at [amal17m@yahoo.com](mailto:amal17m@yahoo.com) for more information.

## ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN

\*Please pay your annual dues of \$25 to help support our outreach and charitable projects. **All women are members and are welcome.** Checks can be given to Janet Metz.  
 \*For future notices and any questions, please provide your email address to Donna Gavin at [crazygavins@verizon.net](mailto:crazygavins@verizon.net)  
**March** \*Antiochian Women's Month  
**Mar 2** \*Easter Naach Collections/see Linda Shaheen  
**Mar 07** \*Tea with Ladies of St. George (more info to follow)  
**Mar 13-15** \*Annual Lenten Retreat/Antiochian Village (see Flyer in Narthex and/or Donna Gavin for more info)  
**Apr 28** \*Primary Election Day Bake Sale (more info to follow)  
**Spring** \*Bakeless Bake Sale/AOCWNA/Helen Khalil  
**May 02** \*The St. George Ladies Myrrh Bearing have invited the Antiochian Women of Ss. Peter and Paul Church to attend a one-day retreat at St. George. All are welcome to attend. More info to follow.  
**May 9** \*Fashion Show/Westwood Country Club, Vienna, VA Looking for awesome models for the fashion show. Please consider volunteering. (more details to follow)

## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The Men's Fellowship ministry of Ss. Peter and Paul is to serve the church through charitable outreach, educational and service projects which strengthen and deepen the faith of its members and develop a fellowship of Orthodox Christian servants. Contact Sam Khalil [sk1943@aol.com](mailto:sk1943@aol.com) or Fred Zacharia at [fredzach@verizon.net](mailto:fredzach@verizon.net) for more information.

## TEAPOTS NEEDED!

Short and stout, tall and slender, if you have a teapot(s) you can lend to be used at the Ladies Tea on Saturday, March 7th, we would love to have them. Label the bottom with your name, pack it (them) up, and bring them to church this Sunday or the next (March 1st). Donna Gavin, Sherrie Zacharia, Thomaseena Cox, and/or Lorna Malooley will be available to accept them. Teapots will be cleaned and available for pickup immediately after the tea or on Sunday, March 15th.

## "EXPLORING OUR FAITH": ON WHEELS

Will be back on the road again soon. If you are interested in hosting one of these every other-week week-night meetings, please send Fr Luke an email ([frluke@peterpaupotomac.org](mailto:frluke@peterpaupotomac.org)). He will check in with you on the dates the work best for you.

We are looking forward to moving these bi-weekly meetings around so its closer to your home at some point. Our goal is to drive no more than 15 minutes to get there.

If you are willing to host one of these meetings in the future, here is the deal: Number of attendees can be limited to fit in your space. You can host as few as 5 people if that is all you can seat (on-floor seats are premium). Only hot drinks are served. No food involved. Meeting time can be: 7:00-8:30 or 7:30-9:00 pm.

## SS. PETER & PAUL OUTREACH VISITATION MINISTRY

The outreach ministry seeks to visit and to assist the elderly, the sick, and those who are housebound, shut-in, or living in nursing homes. Volunteers are needed who are willing to call to visit, and to reach out to our elderly brethren. All those willing to help please contact the Church office.

## CHURCH CALENDAR

**Mar 01** \*Teen SOYO Antiochian Village-Style Camp Liturgy.  
 \*Teen SOYO Mtg to follow Church School  
**March** \*Antiochian Women's Month  
**Mar 02** \*Great Lent Starts  
 \*Easter Naach Collections (see Linda Shaheen)  
**Mar 07** \*Tea with Ladies of St. George (see Flyer in Narthex or Sherri Zacharia)  
**Mar 08** \*Teen SOYO Zaatar Sale  
 \*Sunday of Orthodoxy/St. Sophia Cathedral/5p (see 2nd page of Bulletin for more info)  
**Mar 12** \*Professionals Gathering/March 12/4:30p - 6:00 p/see below for more info.  
**Mar 13-15** \*Antiochian Women Annual Lenten Retreat/Antiochian Village (See flyer in Narthex and/or Donna Gavin for more info)  
**Mar 14** \*Community Night/more info to follow  
**Mar 29** \*Annual Lenten Community Service Project-Packing Meals for Area Families in Need/following Liturgy in Kogok Hall (see box on page 1 for more info)  
**Apr 03-05** \*Eastern Dioceses Annual Lenten Pilgrimage & Spring Retreat/Antiochian Village & open to all (see below and/or Abe Fannoney for more info)  
**Apr 05** \*Church School Pascha Prep Workshop/LL Conf. Rm.  
**Apr 19** \*Great & Holy Pascha  
**Apr 28** \*Primary Election Day Bake Sale/more info to follow)  
**May 03** \*OCMC Annual Dinner/more info to follow  
**May 9** \*Antiochian Women's Fashion Show/Westwood County Club, Vienna, VA (see flyer in Narthex)  
**May 22-25** \*Family Camp at the Antiochian Village/register now  
**Jun 24-28** \*2020 Parish Life Conference/Antiochian Village/more info to follow

## PROFESSIONALS GATHERING

The next Professionals Gathering will be held on March 12 from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. at Wiley LLP (1776 K St. NW, easy access from red & orange metro line or parking in building available). With thanks to our gracious host, Carol Laham, food and drink will be served. We look forward to seeing you -- we welcome all, at any level of seniority. Kindly RSVP to me at [skorkor@gmail.com](mailto:skorkor@gmail.com) by March 9.

## COME ONE, COME ALL

The Men's Fellowship is having an outing to Audi Field to see the new and exciting XFL. March 8, 3PM Kickoff (leave from church after Liturgy). It's the DC Defenders vs. St. Louis Battlehawks (Both teams won their first game). Cost per ticket approximately \$25.00 (We think). If you are interested, contact Bob Simon or Abe Fannoney. We need to know attendance by February 29. Come out for friendship and fun. Hope to hear from you.

## THE EPISTLE

(For Sunday of Forgiveness)

*Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Sing praises to our King, sing praises. O clap your hands, all ye nations.*

### The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (13:11-14:4)

Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Master is able to make him stand.

## THE GOSPEL

(For Sunday of Forgiveness)

### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (6:14-21)

The Lord said to His Disciples: If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father Who is in secret; and your Father Who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

## SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY VESPERS/ST. SOPHIA CATHEDRAL ON MARCH 8 AT 5:00PM

His Grace, Bishop Joachim, of the Greek Archdiocese, will be the speaker for the Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers at St. Sophia located at 2815 36th Street, NW Washington DC.

## 2020 ANNUAL LENTEN PILGRIMAGE & SPRING RETREAT

The Eastern Dioceses will be holding its Annual Lenten Pilgrimage & Spring Retreats on **April 3-5, 2020 at the Antiochian Village. This retreat is open to everyone.** In addition to Liturgy and services, there will be a number of speakers who will lead us in retreats for teens, young adults, parish council members and others. There will also be a visit to the grave site of Saint Raphael. Last year's retreat sessions were very successful and informative. Let's see that Ss Peter & Paul is represented this year.

## 2020 PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE

The annual Eastern Diocese Parish Life Conference will take place at the **Antiochian Village on June 24-28, 2020.** In addition to the visit and service at the grave site of Saint Raphael, events include liturgical services, speakers, social events, the annual Bible Bowl and oratorical contest. Everyone is welcome to part or all of the Conference. Please mark your calendar and let's see that Ss Peter and Paul is well represented this year.

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# Commemorations

**Orthodox Christians**  
 Faithful Orthodox fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when they receive Holy Communion in fulfillment of Christ's command to eat His Body and drink His Blood. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, communicants should not be conscious of grave sin, have fasted from the night before taking communion, and seek to live in charity and love with their neighbors. Persons conscious of grave sin must first be reconciled with God and the Church through the Sacrament of Penance (Confession and Absolution). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

**Non-Orthodox**  
 We welcome to this celebration of the Eucharist those Christians who are not fully united with us. It is a consequence of the sad divisions in Christianity that we cannot extend to them a general invitation to receive Communion. Orthodox believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness in faith, life, and worship of the community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we must all pray.

**Not Receiving Communion**  
 Those not receiving sacramental communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another by receiving a piece of blessed bread following the dismissal prayers.

**Welcome to Ss. Peter and Paul**  
 To encourage our worship in a proper spirit of prayer and devotion, we respectfully ask you to enter the sanctuary quietly during the Divine Liturgy.

**PLEASE DO NOT ENTER OR EXIT THE SANCTUARY AS**  
 - the clergy censes the sanctuary  
 - the congregation is standing, or  
 - during the Little Entrance with the Gospel  
 - during the Reading of the Epistle and the Gospel  
 - Please enter the sanctuary upon the completion of  
 - the sermon  
 - the Great Entrance with the Holy Gifts  
 - the Prayers of Consecration p. 112-113  
 - the Hymn to the Theotokos "It is Truly Meet"

Please follow the directions of the ushers during Communion and dismissal; refrain from using cell phones in the narthex; and be considerate of those praying and converse in the hall, outside or downstairs.

**Visitors**  
 If you are visiting our parish, please let us get to know you. Complete a visitor card you will find in your pew, and drop it in the ushers tray or the collection box.

**SERVICE BOOK HELP ~FIND**  
 The Service starts on p. 91  
 The Creed ~ p. 110  
 The Lord's Prayer ~ p. 118  
 The Communion Prayer ~ p. 121-122  
 The Prayer of Thanksgiving p. 125

For the servants of God that they may have mercy, peace, health, salvation and visitation, pardon and remission of sin; the Lord God remember them in his Kingdom always: now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

**Parishioners who remain in our prayers continually**

Rt. Rev. Fr. Elias Bitar Kh. Rebecca Alford	Rt. Rev. Daniel Griffith Kh. Ann Anderson
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For the Servants of God departed this life: the Lord God remember them in his kingdom always: now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

**DEPARTED**  
 Fr. George Rados  
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Artemis Lampathakis & Family	Patrick Mullin & Family	Edward, Ritamarie, Emilia & Viviana Saa
Michael Piechocinski		Russell, Dina & Luca Kreutter
Timothy Eisnaugle, Angela Romano & Ava Eisnaugle		

**MEMORIAL SERVICE**  
 Barbara Mullin/40-day

**HOLY BREAD OF OBLATION OFFERED BY:**  
 Patrick Mullin/40-day Memorial for Barbara Mullin

**MEMORIAL WHEAT OFFERED BY:**  
 Patrick Mullin/40-day Memorial for Barbara Mullin

**FELLOWSHIP OFFERED BY:**  
 Patrick Mullin/40-day Memorial for Barbara Mullin

## OCMC NEWS

- Today is **Mission Sunday!**
- The *best thing* we can do this day (and each day) is to *pray for our missionaries!* The life of a missionary is not easy, and they are doing an important job, spreading the word of Christ. Here is a good prayer:
- *O God, our God, Who sent Your Only-Begotten Son for our salvation, send down Your Holy Spirit upon this Your servant, \_\_\_\_\_, that s/he may proclaim Your Good News and share Your love. Travel with him/her and deliver him/her from all agitation, slander, and devices of the evil one. Keep him/her strong in body and soul so that s/he may be a light to those still in darkness. Grant that s/he may fulfill Your command to make disciples of all nations. May his/her service be pleasing in Your sight, glorifying Your Most Holy and Majestic Name, of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.*
- (You can find specific long-term missionary names to pray for on the ocmc.org site.)
- Please *pray also for Ss Peter and Paul short-term missionaries Sam and Mike*, who will be traveling to Guatemala for their medical mission this coming Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Many thanks for stewardship of Ss Peter and Paul. This week, \$120.30 was sent to OCMC from the box at the candle stand.