

	Bread of Holy Oblation	Fellowship Hour
06 May	Lorna Malooly & Linda Shaheen/40 Day Memorial for James Yonkers	Ken Bailey & Family
13 May	Rainier & Jamilee Bellone/40-Day Memorial for Robert Issa (Holy Bread & Wheat) Founti Naccache, Elizabeth West, Myriam Sakai	Kevin Schwab
20 May	Hanan Ayoub/1-yr Memorial for Peter J. Ayoub (Holy Bread & Memorial Wheat)	Hanan Ayoub/1-yr Memorial for Peter J. Ayoub
27 May	open	open
03 Jun	Saah/Shihadi Families/IMO Georgette Issa Shihadeh(Holy Bread & Memorial Wheat)	Saah/Shihadi Families/IMO Georgette Issa Shihadeh

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 in the Kogok Hall.

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SS. PETER AND PAUL ANTOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
H.E. Metropolitan JOSEPH

Archbishop Primate

All Things Are Possible to Him Who Believes

Matins: Sundays 9:30am

Divine Liturgy: Sundays 10:30am

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018

TONE 4 / EOTHINON 7

FIFTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA: SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN & AFTER-FEAST OF MID-PENTECOST

RIGHTEOUS PROPHET JOB THE LONG-SUFFERING; VENERABLE SERAPHIM OF MOUNT DOMVU IN LEVADIA; TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF SABBAS, FIRST ARCHBISHOP OF SERBIA

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 FOR MID-PENTECOST (Tone 8)

In the midst of this Feast, O Savior, give Thou my thirsty soul to drink of the waters of true worship; for Thou didst call out to all, saying: Whosoever is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. Wherefore, O Christ our God, Fountain of life, glory to Thee.

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 OF PASCHA (Tone 8)

O Immortal One, when Thou didst descend into the tomb, Thou didst destroy the power of Hades; and Thou didst rise victorious, O Christ God. Thou hast said to the ointment-bearing women: Rejoice! And Thou gavest peace to Thy Disciples, O Bestower of Resurrection to those Who had fallen.

To be a Christian is to affirm God as Creator of the universe; and when a Christian looks at the beauty and glory of what God has made, praise and thanksgiving pour from the lips.

St. John Chrysostom

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Our Super-Essential Bread

In the Lord's prayer, we pray that our Father would give us this day our "daily" bread. What is this petition meant to teach us? What did our Lord really mean?

God created man as a bridge between the material and spiritual worlds. In one sense, we live above the world of things. Man understands the world, but the world does not understand man. We stand higher than the world, on a plane of personhood, a plane in which we speak to God face to face. In another sense, however, we are part of the world and inseparably connected to it. God created us such that we need to breathe air unceasingly, drink water, and eat food several times a day, not just once a week or month. Eating incorporates both the physical and spiritual dimensions of man because it includes an element of *choice* and *control*, unlike breathing which is an almost unconscious necessity. When we eat we utilize our mind and soul and thereby relate to the world in a specifically human way. So, praying for "daily" bread is a way not only to acknowledge God as the Source of all of our sustenance, the Provider for our bodily necessities, but to include God in the most fundamental human choice, eating.

Scholars have noted the parallels between our Lord Jesus Christ as a new Moses and this petition of the Lord's Prayer as a reflection of the manna given to the Israelites in the desert (Ex 16:11; Num 11:1; Dt 8:1). Just as God gave the manna once a day to feed His people in order to teach them to rely entirely on Him ("You shall gather a day's portion every day... and you shall know that I am the LORD your God"), so does the simple petition of the Lord's Prayer. It is not a petition for "success" or wealth or health, but is more fundamental than all those things. It is a simple acknowledgement of our total dependence on God.

This may be true and good, but is this all that our Lord Jesus Christ meant to say? Certainly not. In fact, in Greek our Lord did not say "daily" ("kath' umeron") at all. Using the word "daily" could even be called a mistranslation.

Rather, our Lord used a specific Greek word to describe the bread in this petition: "epiousios." The word "epiousios" is an absolutely unique word. It was never used in the Greek language before our Lord Jesus Christ used it in the Lord's prayer and it has never been used since. It is not found in any other text, manuscript or inscription anywhere. This fact was noticed as early as the third century by the great Alexandrian theologian Origen and has been confirmed by modern scholarship with its access to computer databases, etc. Neither can this word be reverse-engineered to an Aramaic equivalent. There is no Aramaic equivalent. The exact derivation and meaning of this word remains for contemporary scholarship "the great unresolved puzzle of New Testament lexicography."

Part 1 of 2

Mission Presentation: Today we welcome Elizabeth Manuel who will give a presentation after Divine Liturgy in the church hall about the upcoming long-term mission work in Guatemala and southern Mexico. They will depart later this year and want to share with everyone the exciting news of the growth of the Orthodox Church in those two countries. Join us this Sunday and learn about their upcoming mission work and how to support them.

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Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church News and Events

CHURCH SCHOOL 2017-2018

Registration for Church School is ongoing using this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/GQ6uQSnltimwgwJW2>. Please make sure to register with the church, including your email as most Church school announcements go out to the entire parish. School calendars are now available. We are also in need of snacks/drinks for the children-- small and reg. juice boxes, juice pouches, small waters, individually wrapped snacks (PEANUT & TREE NUT FREE).

Check out our new online Church School

Newsletter <https://www.smore.com/t1rhu>

May 20 *Senior Recognition

Jun 10 *Last day of Church School

TEEN SOYO

May 18-20*Tentative Service Weekend (serving others in the DC area)

Jun 27- *Parish Life Conference (PLC) at the **July 01** Antiochian Village. More details to follow.

Aug 10-19*Special Olympics at the Antiochian Village. Please consider volunteering (must be 16 yrs). Sign up at <https://teensoyo.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2018-SO-Application.pdf>

Contact the Lav Advisors for more details:

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YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

The Ss. Peter & Paul YAF welcomes all young people over 20 years of age to join in its social, educational, and outreach activities. Please contact Wayne Parr at wayneparr@gmail.com or Amal Michael at amall7m@yahoo.com for more information.

ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN

May 12 *Antiochian Women Fashion Show (see flyer in Narthex for more information)
Congressional Country Club/11:00a

THE PARISH GIFT SHOP

The Gift Shop is open every Sunday following Liturgy. For information contact Alma Jean Zaki at (703) 283-9338 or ajmzaki@gmail.com

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THE EPISTLE

*How great are Thy works, O Lord! In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul!*

The Reading from the Acts of the Saintly and Pure Apostles. (11:19-30)

In those days, the Disciples, who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen, traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the Word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, upon coming to Antioch, spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the Disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabus stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the Disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea; and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (4:5-42)

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as He was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink." For His Disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that Thou, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and Who it is that is saying to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." The woman said to Him, "Sir, Thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Art Thou greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst forever; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered Him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that Thou art a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and Thou sayest that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship Him. God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming [He Who is called Christ]; when He comes, He will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I Who speak to you am He." Just then His Disciples came. They marveled that He was talking with a woman, but none said, "What dost Thou wish?" or, "Why art Thou talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city, and said to the people, "Come, see a man Who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to Him. Meanwhile the Disciples besought Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the Disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him Who sent Me, and to accomplish His work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in Him because of the woman's testimony, "He said to me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to Him, they asked Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His words. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

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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.

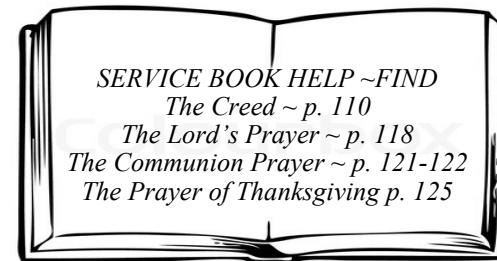
PLEASE DO NOT ENTER OR EXIT THE SANCTUARY AS

- 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.



HOLYBREAD OF OBLATION OFFERED BY:
Lorna Malooley & Linda Shaheen In Memory of James Yonkers

MEMORIAL WHEAT OFFERED BY:
Lorna Malooley & Linda Shaheen In Memory of James Yonkers

FELLOWSHIP OFFERED BY:
Ken Bailey & Family

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Commemorations

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

Margaret Ashley
Isabel Thredeh
Everett Alvarez
Edmond & Sophie Neam
George & Joan Abraham
Michael Buchko, Sr.
Douglas Kalish

Mary Smith
George Brown
Holly Dubois
Miriam Yazge
Lula Brown
Edward Rizkallah
Charles Cox
Nabeecha Ayoub
Robert & Thelma Badwey
Barbara Abraham
Martin Pinkstaff
Dorothy Marge

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Fr. Isaac Crow & Kh. Dolly	Rt. Rev. Fr. Elias Bitar	Kh. Ann Aderson
Leila Khoury	Isa Saleh & Salch Family	Brian Briggs
Julia Fayad	Rene Saa	Robert & Joyce Najjar
George & Joanna Khoury	Rima Rizkallah & Family	Assad & Patricia Khoury
Vilma Bellone	Mazen & Ruba Saah & Family	Donna Gavin
Ken Bailey & Family	Alison Bailey	Aileen Bailey
Younes Family	Lorna Malooley & Family	Linda Shaheen & Family
Pamela David Braverman & Family		

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. Alister Anderson
James Yonkers
Georgette Issa Shihadeh
Helen White
Jeannette Younes
John Dalack
Robert Issa
Victoria Curtin
May Fillah
Sergei Malooley
John & Nymry (Ruby) Abdow
Kater & Mary Malooley
Alice Abdow
Lillian David
Lois Haddad

On behalf of the family of Helen White, we would like to thank you for all the love, prayers, support, kind words, notes, and donations during this very difficult time. Sharing memories gives us peace & comfort and keeps her in our hearts forever.

Christ is Risen!
Lynn, Jeff Peterson and Family
Stephanie White

FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT SYRIAN ORPHANAGES

The Ss. Peter and Paul Parish Council is sponsoring a special fundraising event as part of its charity outreach in support of the Orphanages of the Convents of Saidnaya and Maaloula Syria. Please save the date of Saturday, June 2, 2018 at 6:30pm for this event. Contact Phillip Allen at rpallen1@yahoo.com for information to help organize the project.

KITCHEN RENOVATION NEEDS YOUR INPUT

Our hall kitchen is over 20 years old and in need of an update. Because this project involves the entire parish, our Parish Council is seeking input from everyone. We welcome any and all suggested changes for the purpose of setting up our kitchen for parishioner and outside rental use for the next 20 years and beyond. Please email your ideas to John Abraham at: ViceChair@peterpaulpotomac.org.

We especially want to hear recommendations from our parish cooks—those of you who prepare meals during the year and those who work in the kitchen during the intense weeks of preparation before and during Bazaar weekend. You know what works and what doesn't work, and we respectfully ask you to share your thoughts and ideas with us. Our goal is to make the kitchen work better for all of us in the days ahead.