

	BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION	FELLOWSHIP HOUR
09 Aug	John & Dina Saah	John & Dina Saah
16 Aug	Steve & Samia Zolnerowich	OPEN
23 Aug	Nabil & Caroline Emad	OPEN
30 Aug	Caroline Jarboe	Caroline Jarboe
06 Sept	Ramzi Azat	Ramzi Azat

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 vestibule.

Ss. PETER AND PAUL ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

All Things Are Possible to Him Who Believes

Matins: Sundays 9:30am

Divine Liturgy: Sundays 10:30am

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2015

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & TENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW TONE 1 / EOTHINON 10

AFTER-FEAST OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF CHRIST

APOSTLE MATTHIAS; TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF VENERABLE HERMAN OF ALASKA, WONDERWORKER OF AMERICA

APOLYTIKION OF THE RESURRECTION (Tone 1)

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

APOLYTIKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF CHRIST (Tone 7)

When, O Christ our God, Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy Disciples in proportion as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. O Thou Bestower of light, 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 THE TRANSFIGURATION OF CHRIST (Tone 7)

Thou wast transfigured on the mount, and Thy Disciples, in so far as they were able, beheld Thy glory, O Christ our God; so that, when they should see Thee crucified, they would remember that all Thy suffering was voluntary, and could declare to all the world that Thou art truly the effulgent Splendor of the Father.

Service of the Small Supplicatory Canon to the Mother of God (The Paraklesis)

During the Fast of the Dormition (August 1st – 15th) Ss. Peter & Paul Church will offer the Service of the Small Supplicatory Canon to the Mother of God (The Paraklesis) at 7:00pm on Monday, August 10th. The Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos on Friday, August 14 also at 7:00pm.

All are Welcome

THE ADDRESS OF HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN JOSEPH TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE 52ND ARCHDIOCESAN CONVENTION

Relationship to our Mother Church of Antioch

Our Father in Christ Patriarch John X bears witness to the pain and suffering of our brethren in Syria, and all throughout the Middle East. The human tragedy in Syria is beyond our imagination with thousands killed and wounded, millions displaced from their homes, and an entire generation of children scarred for life by the horror of senseless violence. We stand in solidarity with our brethren who are suffering so greatly, and we assure them of not only our prayers, but our material help which we pray can bring some measure of comfort to them. We continue to pray for the two abducted bishops, Metropolitan Paul, and Archbishop John, both of Aleppo who were kidnapped more than two years ago. It is a disgrace that the global community is not addressing their capture, and seems to have forgotten them altogether. We call on people and governments of good will around the world to speak out on their behalf, and to demand their safe and timely release from captivity.

Our Father in Christ Patriarch John X also bears witness to the strong unity within the See of Antioch. His presence here is not only a personal presence, but also represents the presence of all of my brother hierarchs who are the members of the Holy Synod of Antioch. We pledge that the strong bond of unity between this Archdiocese of North America and our Mother Church of Antioch will remain strong, and that we will work at all times to insure that no force can interrupt that unity. We will respect all of the decisions made by the Holy Synod of Antioch, and we will abide by them. We will implement modern channels of communication, and utilize these channels of communication frequently and to great benefit.

Relationship with the Brother Hierarchs of this Archdiocese

As I said earlier in this address, the Metropolitan does not stand apart from his brother hierarchs. The hierarchs who watch over the dioceses in which they are located have a most important role to play, and they work as a team with mutual love and respect. I have already made many visitations to the various dioceses, and I will continue to do that so that I can maintain strong contact and communications not only with the faithful in those dioceses, but also with my brother bishops. The demonstration of our mutual love and respect is greatly enhanced when we embrace each other in person, and celebrate the divine services. There is no substitute for this personal contact, and I will strive to maximize it.

Relationships with other Orthodox Jurisdictions

As you all know, this Archdiocese is an active member of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops in the United States. There has been much talk over the years about achieving Orthodox Unity in North America. First let me emphasize that we already have Orthodox Unity as it applies to sharing the One Holy Orthodox Faith. The canonical Orthodox Churches worship together, commune in each others churches, and the clergy celebrate divine services together frequently. This aspect of our unity is the most important aspect, and it must be preserved and strengthened wherever possible. In addition, the faithful must not be confused by pastoral practices which vary across the different jurisdictions. To that end, the Committee on Pastoral Practices, of which I am the chairman, has been laboring diligently to regularize certain pastoral practices across all of the canonical jurisdictions. This work is going extremely well, with progress being made on several fronts. We will be presenting a progress report to the Assembly of Bishops at their regular meeting this September. We will continue to work with various pan-Orthodox assemblies and committees where there is a sincere desire and a real possibility to strengthen our unity in the faith.

Part 2 of a Series

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Captains -
Robert Bridenhagen
Nicholas Zolnerowich

Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church News

MONUMENTAL MISSIONS WALK 2015

On September 19, 2015 from 9:00am to 12:00pm, Orthodox Christians will converge on the National Mall for the 3rd Annual Monumental Missions Walk to raise funds for missions. Proceeds will be shared with the OCMC and local ministries. The walk will begin on the lawn behind the Thomas Jefferson Memorial and go around the Tidal Basin. At each monument along the route, guides will discuss the spiritual significance of the landmark and provide insight into the role that religion has played in the history of this great country. To register, please go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2015-monumental-missions-walk-registrations-17020607094>. If you cannot join us this year but would like to make a donation for missions, please email Eleni Porter at beporter1@verizon.net or call (703) 91309629. We hope that you will join us to walk for missions!!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our first day of Sunday School will be September 20th this year. Classes begin after communion and end at 12:30. We welcome all students from 3 years old (must be potty trained) to seniors in high school. Please use the following link to register your child/children for Sunday School. We ask that all families register each year to provide us with the most up to date information. <http://goo.gl/forms/Kltz6A3Zcp>.

We will have a registration table set up each each Sunday after liturgy until September 20th to assist parents in registering their child and to answer any questions about the programs.

The Sunday School Staff is excited for our upcoming year.

If you are willing to work on the food line during the Festival, please see Janet Metz.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Calling all Church members...
Stop by our Membership table, which will be up every second Sunday of each month after Church in the Fellowship hour hall, to:
Drop off your business card
Smile for our camera
Fill out your membership form
Fill out your annual pledge form
Sign up to work with us!
The Stewardship committee's mission is to inspire our Parish members to give of their time, talent and resources.

"Give and it will be given to you" Luke 6:38

2015 CAR RAFFLE UPDATE

As we approach the last two months of the Car Raffle, please remember to turn in the sold tickets and money to the church ushers or at the Raffle table in the Kogok Hall (when it is attended). This is also a reminder to do your absolute best to sell the 3 tickets that were mailed to you. This is a great opportunity for the church and this year's festival. Your support is greatly needed and appreciated. The drawing for the 2015 Mustang will take place on 9/27.

Upcoming events...

Aug 09—Memorial Service for Mufid Khalil
Aug 09—Serina Khalaf/Baptism/1:30pm
Aug 10—Small Supplication of the Mother of God [Paraklesis]/7:00pm
Aug 11—Parish Council Mtg/LL Conf. Rm./7:00pm
Aug 14—Evening Diviine Liturgy for the Feast of the Dormition/7:00pm
Aug 22—Krynitsky-Magill Wedding/3:00pm
Aug 23—Horany-Kaouk Wedding/3pm
Aug 25—Men's Club Mtg. 7:30pm
Sep 05—Arabic Liturgy @2:00pm (new time)
Sep 05—Malouf & Garcia-Gomez Wedding Blessing/4:30pm
Sep 08—Parish Council Mtg. LL Conf/7:00pm
Sep 10—Adult Ed Forum/Exploring our Faith LL Conf. Rm/7:15pm
Sep 12—Antiochian Women Kick-off Luncheon LL Hall (more info to Follow)
Sep 24—Adult Ed Forum/Exploring our Faith/LL Conf. Rm/7:15pm

THE EPISTLE

(For the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost)
Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.
The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians.
(4:9-16)

Brethren, God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill clad and buffeted and homeless; and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Tenth Sunday of Matthew)
The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (17:14-23)

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Thy disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because you have no faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. This kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were traveling together through Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will rise on the third day."

LET US GIVE THANKS TO GOD CONTINUALLY. FOR, IT IS OUTRAGEOUS THAT WHEN WE ENJOY HIS BENEFACATION TO US IN DEED EVERY SINGLE DAY, WE DO NOT ACKNOWLEDGE THE FAVOR WITH SO MUCH AS A WORD; AND THIS, WHEN THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT CONFERS GREAT BENEFIT ON US. HE DOES NOT NEED ANYTHING OF OURS, BUT WE STAND IN NEED OF ALL THINGS FROM HIM.

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Directors

Samia Zolnerowich
Jennifer Buchko

Teachers

Jumana Misleh
Susan Kozlov
Michelle Zook
Razan Abdallah
Christine Morin
Roxanne Bennett
Lara Bellone
Amber Bennett
Caroline Jarboe
Saleem Mokhiber
Stephen Zolnerowich
Anees Mokhiber

Men's Club

Sam Khalil

Antiochian Women

Kate Niewenhaus

Teen SOYO

Jamilee Bellone
Phillip Allen
Reema Guegel

Officers

Nicholas Zolnerowich
Rashid Haddad
Robert Bridenhagen
Thomas Zook
Danielle Bellone

Fellowship of St. John

Christine & Samer Korkor
Dn. Christian & Zeina Manasseh

Adornment

Shams Akkawi
Jamil Hermes

Facility Management

Nick Nahas
Bob Simon

Rental Coordinator

Barbara Abraham

Charities

Sam Sahouri Ghanem

Finance

David Jackson

Stewardship

Lina Eid

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

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

LIVING

Parishioners who remain in our prayers continually

Margaret Ashley	Edmond Neam
May Fillah	Richie Kogok
Issa & Suad Shammass	Brian Briggs
Lulu & George Brown	Robert Simon
Renée Moorad	Bertha Aed
Isabel Threddeh	

Fr. Louis Mahshie	Nouha Aramouni
Josephine Lofgren	Ruth Zolnerowich
Salwa Gabro	Andrew Gavin
Teri Ayoub	Bill Dora, Jr.
Elia Ghanem	Linda Dora Elkanich
Sally Ruffin	Joan Lanciani & Family
Jack & Patricia Bottash	Richie Ayoub
Catherine Bolus	John & Dina Saah
Adib & Helen Saah	Diana Brikho
Khiloud Dawood	Mary Saah
Palestina Saah	Sam Khalil & Family
Ulla Khalil & Family	Mike Khalil & Family
Amal Lowry & Family	Joy Khalil & Family
Robert Bridenhagen	

DEPARTED

Arch Priest Gordon Walker
Mufid Khalil
Harriet Habib-Puca
Peter Zolnerowich
Elias Yussif
Victoria Curtin
Raad Brikho
Ibrahim Aziz Ayoub
Ayoub Aziz Ayoub
Issa Farhat
Tawfiq & Selwa Khalil
George Sayegh

A Mercy Meal will be offered at the home of Mike & Helen Khalil at 1:30p following today's Church service at 1131 Flora Lee Drive, Fairfax Station, VA
All are welcome.

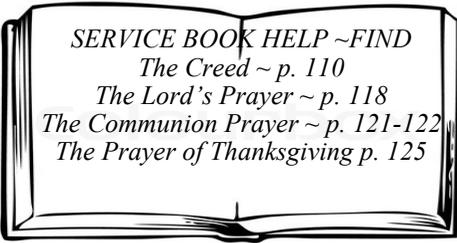
Orthodox Christians
Faithful Orthodox fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when they receive Holy Communion in fulfillment of Christ's command to eat His Body and drink His Blood. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, communicants should not be conscious of grave sin, 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

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.



HOLY BREAD OF OBLATION OFFERED BY:
John and Dina Saah
40 Day-Memorial Service for Mufid Khalil offered by the Khalil Family
MEMORIAL WHEAT OFFERED BY:
Amal Lowry ~sister of Mufid, Sam, and Mike
FELLOWSHIP HOUR OFFERED BY:
John and Dina Saah

Many thanks to Gerry and Suzanne Khalaf for their generous donation of the grapes for the Blessing of the Feast of the Transfiguration. The grapes are offered for the good health of all their family and especially