

	<b>Bread of Holy Oblation</b>	<b>Fellowship Hour</b>
<b>03 Nov</b>	Joyce Kogok/IMO Richard & Richie Kogok	Joyce Kogok/IMO Richard & Richie Kogok
<b>10 Nov</b>	Frank & Barbara Ellis Eways Family/IMO George F. Eways & Badia Brahim Hadawar	Eways Family/IMO George F. Eways & Badia Brahim Hadawar
<b>17 Nov</b>	Susan Kozlov/IMO Renee Saah	Susan Kozlov/IMO Renee Saah
<b>24 Nov</b>	Open	Open
<b>01 Dec</b>	Open	Men's Fellowship/Spaghetti Lunch

**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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**Matins:** Sundays 9:30am

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

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2019**

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**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
& FIFTH SUNDAY OF LUKE**

**MARTYRS AKEPSIMAS, JOSEPH & AEITHALAS OF PERSIA;  
DEDICATION OF ST. GEORGE CHURCH IN LYDDA OF PALESTINE**

HIEROMARTYR GEORGE OF NEAPOLIS;  
THEODORE THE CONFESSOR, BISHOP OF ANCYRA

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (Tone 3)**

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

**APOLYTIKION FOR THE PERSIAN MARTYRS (Tone 4)**

*(\*\*Be quick to anticipate\*\*)*

Thy martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee \* received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. \* For, since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants \* and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. \* O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

**APOLYTIKION FOR ST. GEORGE THE GREAT-MARTYR (Tone 4)**

Since thou art a liberator and deliverer of captives, a help and support of the poor and needy, a healing physician of the sick, a contender and fighter for kings, O great among Martyrs, the victory-clad George; intercede with Christ God for the salvation of our souls.

**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.

**ORDINARY KONTAKION (Tone 2)**

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.

***MAKING GOD REAL  
In the Orthodox Christian Home  
Revive Storytelling***

**Anthony M. Coniaris**

John Westerhoff, in *Bringing Up Children in Christian Faith*, presents four guidelines for sharing our faith with our children from birth through childhood:

1. We need to tell and retell the biblical story-the stories of the faith-together.
  2. We need to pray together.
  3. We need to listen and talk to each other. This creates family closeness.
- We need to perform faithful acts of service and witness together.

What will be emphasized here is the importance of storytelling. Almost all ancient knowledge was passed on to us by oral tradition (paradosis), which is another word for storytelling. In my youth, we did not have church school. My mother would tell us stories of Christ and His saints at home.

The American tragedy today is that families don't talk to each other any more. They are too glued to the tube. We need to communicate. We need to tell stories, read stories, stories about family history; stories about hungry children and children who have too much; stories about our faith; stories of the Bible; stories of God's historical acts in the lives of His people, the saints. We need to become once again a story-telling people.

As the Psalmist said,

*I will utter things that I have heard and known that our fathers have told us. We will not hide from our children but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, and His might and the wonders which He has wrought (Ps. 78:3-4).*

St. John Chrysostom wrote,  
*An important part of a child's education is storytelling, since good stories excite the imagination and strengthen the bond between parent and child. Stories from the Bible are preferred, and the child should repeat them often, to underscore full comprehension.*

It is through the telling of stories, Bible stories, stories of Jesus and the saints, that we pass on our faith and values to our children.

One Father said,  
*My wife and I simply tell them stories about what happened to us when we were growing up. As parents we tend to lecture and admonish our children, teaching the conclusions we've drawn from our experiences rather than the experiences themselves. But through the ancient art of storytelling we can recreate those learning experiences. Then our children can learn, as we did, the values that our experiences taught us . . . . The place our children take within society will be tremendously influenced by the great unpublished works we tell about our own "olden days" as we tuck our young children into their beds at night.*

So, the next time you get the urge to lecture your children with a wagging finger and a screwed-up face, relax, sit down with your child and say, "You know what happened to me when I was your age." You'll have an all-ears audience.

# 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/y48hecx>

- Nov 03** \*Antiochian 'Camp' Liturgy  
**Dec 01** \*No Church School (Thanksgiving)  
**Dec 08** \*St. Nicholas workshop/pre-school — 5th grade  
 Pizza lunch pre-school — 12th grade  
**Dec 15** \*Christmas Program, Christmas Lunch, Special Visitor (more info to follow)  
**Dec 29** \*No Church School for Christmas & New Year's

## 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.

- Nov 03** \*Antiochian 'Camp' Liturgy  
 \*Teen SOYO mtg./to follow Church School  
 \*Christmas Card Collection  
**Nov 8-10** \*YES Trip (more info to follow)  
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**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)

- Dec 07** \*Put together baskets for shut-ins & shoe boxes/backpacks — temporary plan for 100 backpacks (more details to follow)  
**Dec 14** \*Invitation to Christmas Lunch from Ladies of St. George (more details to follow)  
**Dec 15** \*Cookie Sale during St. Ignatius luncheon (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. Please contact Sam Khalil at [sk1943@aol.com](mailto:sk1943@aol.com) or Fred Zacharia at [fredzach@verizon.net](mailto:fredzach@verizon.net) for more information.

- Dec 01** \*Spaghetti Luncheon

## PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL CONTACT LIST

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## 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 coordinators of the group: Alex Cox at ([alexcoxsells@gmail.com](mailto:alexcoxsells@gmail.com)), Paula Massouh ([pmassouh@aol.com](mailto:pmassouh@aol.com)) or Fr. Isaac at ([frisaac@peterpaulpotomac.org](mailto:frisaac@peterpaulpotomac.org)). Our Parish is grateful for this ministry remembering that when we visit the sick and the infirm we visit Christ himself.

## THE SS. PETER & PAUL PARISH LIBRARY & MEDIA CENTER

The Parish Library and Media Center is up and running. The Center houses the Parish Library, audio visual materials, and Christian educational resources. The Center is located in the lower level inside room accessible from the Serge Malooley Conference Center room. Donations of books or materials related to the history, tradition and teaching of the Church and the Orthodox Faith are welcome. All are welcome to use the center by following its user guidelines. Contact Fr. Isaac, Fr. Luke, or Dn. Christian for access and information.

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## 2019 STEWARDSHIP DRIVE

The 2019 Stewardship Drive is ongoing. Please support your church with your time, talents and treasure and fill out a stewardship form in paper (located in the Narthex) or online at [peterpaulpotomac.elexiochms.com](http://peterpaulpotomac.elexiochms.com). Please make the commitment to support the Church through your generous free-will donation. If you have any questions or need more information, please see Fr. Isaac, Fr. Luke or Zeina Manasseh ([zeina.maalouf@gmail.com](mailto:zeina.maalouf@gmail.com)) in the fellowship hall following the Liturgy for more information. Thank you for your support!

The Stewardship Committee and the Parish Council remind all of the faithful for both individuals and families to submit their annual stewardship pledge to the Church. Membership and financial forms are readily available in the Narthex and on-line.

## THE EPISTLE

(For the Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost)

*Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands, all ye peoples.*  
**The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (1:11-19)**

Brethren, I would have you know that the Gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the Church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people; so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when He Who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son to me, in order that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were Apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other Apostles except James the Lord's brother.

## THE GOSPEL

(For the Fifth Sunday of Luke)

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (16:19-31)**

The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

Such are the contests and such the prizes that lie before us. How long, then, shall we mock ourselves by pretending to be devout, serving the Lord with hypocrisy, being thought one thing by men but clearly seen to be quite different by Him who knows our secrets?

*Venerable Mark the Faster of Egypt, Philokalia, Vol. 1 p.150*

**Please note:** With the start of the Choir Balcony Icon Project, today and for the next few weeks Divine Liturgy will be held in the Church Hall. This is just a temporary move.

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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	Rt. Rev. Daniel Griffith
Kh. Rebecca Alford	Kh. Ann Anderson
Ann Marie Moses	Kevin Pinkstaff
Isabel Thredch	Nabeeha Ayoub
Holly Dubois	Suad Shammass
Sophie Neam	Miriam Yazge
George & Joan Abraham	Lulu Brown
Michael Buchko, Sr.	Edward Rizkallah
Leila Khoury	Shoke George
Bob & Shirley Neri	Barbara Mullin
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Fred & Sherrie Zacharia	Ibrahim Mazen Saah	Ramona Dora
Allison Ayoub Egge	Brian Briggs	Joe Malooley
Lorna Malooley & Family	Sami Korban	Ted Milkovich
Geffen Franus	Paula Massouh	Halim & Hayat Barakat
George & Marie Hyder	Sarah Abdow	Audree Yacoub
Ricky M. Ayoub	Mona Ayoub & Family	Vilma Bellone
Jackie Luna	Chely Luna	George Bellone
Joyce Kogok & Family	Mitody Tilev	
Lidia, Ghassan, Adeeb, Farah & Hiba & their families		
Edward, Ritamarie, Emilia & Viviana Saa		

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  
 Margaret Ashley  
 Renee Saah  
 Richard & Rick Kogok  
 Lillian & Walter Koch  
 Evelyn & Jack Kogok  
 Sadie Hier

## MEMORIALS

Richard Kogok/8 yrs  
 Rich Kogok/3 yrs.

## HOLY BREAD OF OBLATION OFFERED BY:

Joyce Kogok/IMO Richard and Rich Kogok

## FELLOWSHIP OFFERED BY:

Joyce Kogok/IMO Richard and Rich Kogok

## Baptizing Cultures - A Retreat

Please come to an upcoming retreat on Baptizing Cultures by Fr. Michael Oleksa. Fr. Michael is married to a native Alaskan, has spent much of his priesthood in Alaska, is an expert on Alaskan and other cultures and is a recognized "Alaska Elder". He is also a gifted, entertaining and charismatic speaker. As Orthodox Christians, we are to take time to understand the cultures that we are witnessing to, so that with love, we can help transfigure and baptize them. The Orthodox outreach to Alaska is a wonderful example of doing this, and Fr. Michael will speak of this and of baptizing other cultures. Please RSVP to Popadija Kitty Vitko at [kittyv70@gmail.com](mailto:kittyv70@gmail.com).

**When:** Saturday, November 16, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

**Where:** St. Mark Orthodox Church, 7124 River Road, Bethesda, MD 20817