

FELLOWSHIP HOUR AND BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION

	BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION	FELLOWSHIP HOUR
Nov 23		
30		Peter (Butros) family
Dec 7	Christakis family	Slanta, Bosworth, Hawkins, Yanowsky
14	Jweied family	Patriarchal Luncheon
21		
28		
Jan 4		
11		

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

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All Things Are Possible to Him Who Believes

Matins: Sundays 9:30am

Divine Liturgy: Sundays 10:30am

Confessions: call to schedule

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TONE 6

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2014 EOTHINON 1

THE HOLY APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST MATTHEW

Today we Commemorate: Martyr Ephygenia of Ethiopia, disciple of St. Matthew;
Fulvian, prince of Ethiopia

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (Tone 6)

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION of St. Matthew the Evangelist (Tone 3)

O holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew, intercede with the merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

TROPARION of Ss. Peter & 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 Entrance of the Theotokos (Tone 4)

The all-pure temple of the Savior, the most precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the treasure-house of the glory of God, today enters the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace which is in the divine Spirit: whom also the angels of God do celebrate in song; for she is the heavenly tabernacle.

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COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDY

The Antiochian Women are collecting toiletries and small clothing items for the needy. Please place the following items in a plastic bag or backpack labeled male or female and put the bag in the large box labeled "COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDY."

Soap
Shampoo & conditioner
Razor
Shaving cream-travel size
Tooth brush with cover
toothpaste
Brush and comb
Travel size hand sanitizer
Travel tissue pack
Lip balm
Hand and body cream
Deodorant
Knit hat
Gloves
Tube socks
Scarf
Gum

Bethesda cares is in need of backpacks to hold the items if you want to purchase one (or more) for your items, that would be great. We hope every family will provide a kit this year. Most of these items can be purchased at your local dollar store. Deadline is December 14.

TEEN SOYO ANTIOCHIAN VILLAGE

Pack your snow boots, winter parka, hat, scarf and Sunday best as we prepare for Winter Camp, February 13-16, 2015. If you are in the range of grades 7-12, join us for Winter Camp where we will hear amazing talks from Deacon Nicholas Belcher (Dean of Students at Holy Cross Seminary and Hellenic College); a cycle of liturgical services; fun and fellowship. For more information or to register visit avcamp.org.

CATECHISM

How mistaken are those people who seek happiness outside of themselves, in foreign lands and journeys, in riches and glory, in great possessions and pleasures, in diversions and vain things, which have a bitter end! It is the same thing to construct the tower of happiness outside of ourselves as it is to build a house in a place that is consistently shaken by earthquakes. Happiness is found within ourselves, and blessed is the man who has understood this. Happiness is a pure heart, for such a heart becomes the throne of God.

St. Nectarius of Aegina



Upcoming events...

Nov 20 - Entrance Theotokos to the Temple @ 7pm
Nov 22 - Great Vespers @ 5pm
Nov 25 - Mens' Club Meeting @ 7:30pm
Nov 27 - HAPPY THANKSGIVING
Dec 5 - Wreath Making @ 4pm
Dec 6 - Decorate the Sanctuary 7:00am-1:00pm
Dec 6 - *Arabic Liturgy is CANCELLED* due to the enthronement of Met. JOSEPH; Fr. George and Fr. Isaac will attend, Brooklyn, NY
Dec 7 - Sunday School Workshop 9am
Dec 12 - Concert Orthodox Liturgical Music @7:30p
Dec 13 - Great Vespers @ 5:30pm
Dec 13 - Advent Banquet @ 6:30pm
Dec 14 - Patriarchal Divine Liturgy @ 9:30am
Dec 14 - St. Ignatius Christmas Luncheon
Dec 16 - Parish Council Meeting @ 7pm

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PATRIARCHAL VISIT

In commemoration of the visit to the United States of His Beatitude Patriarch JOHN X of Antioch, and the enthronement of Metropolitan JOSEPH as Archbishop of North America, the Parish of Ss. Peter and Paul Antiochian Church invite you to the events in celebration.

The Antiochian New Era 2014

Friday December 12th • 7:30pm
Concert of Orthodox Liturgical Hymns

Saturday December 13th • 5:30pm
Great Vespers • Advent Great Banquet

Sunday December 14th • 9:30am
Hierarchal Divine Liturgy • Luncheon

Sign up today in Kogok Hall

ARABIC LITURGY

Please note the next Arabic Divine Liturgy will be held Saturday, January 3rd, 2015 at 5pm in the Sanctuary and that the December 6th Arabic Divine Liturgy is cancelled due to the enthronement that day of Metropolitan JOSEPH in Brooklyn, NY. Fr. George and Fr. Isaac will be in attendance.

ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN GOOD NEWS

The Election Day Bake Sale Committee are happy to report sales totaling \$1100. Thank you to all the parishioners who donated baked goodies, time and resources making Tuesday's event such a success.

DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS

Help decorate the sanctuary for Christmas, Saturday, December 6th from 7am to 1pm. Take pride in the beauty and decoration of your church this season and lend a hand where needed. Come for all or part of the morning. Men's Club members will be ready to offer direction. For more information contact Sam Khalil at (202) 467-5555 or sk1943@aol.com.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Honor or remember a loved one and beautify the sanctuary this Christmas with a contribution to the poinsettia fund. To make a donation for the health of or in memory of your loved one(s), complete the form in the vestibule and turn it in no later than December 14th to either Leila Ayoub at layoub@finmarc.com, or Thomaseena Cox at Cox1903@aol.com.

THE EPISTLE (For St. Matthew)

*His voice has gone out into all the earth.
The heavens declare the glory of God.*

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 St. Matthew)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:9-13)

At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax office; and He said to him, "Follow Me." And he rose and followed Him. And as He sat at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Jesus and His disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to His disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when Jesus heard it, He said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Directors

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Jumana Misleh
Susan Kozlov
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Jena Peters
Lara Bellone
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Saleem Mokhiber
Stephen Zolnerowich
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Sam Khalil

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Majd Akkawi
Christine & Samer Korkor
Christian & Zeina Manasseh

Adornment

Shams Akkawi
Jamil Hermes

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Nick Nahas
Bob Simon

Rental Coordinator

Barbara Abraham

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Sam Sahouri Ghanem

Finance

Gary Farha
Stewardship
Lorna Malooley



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 enter the sanctuary quietly during the Divine Liturgy.

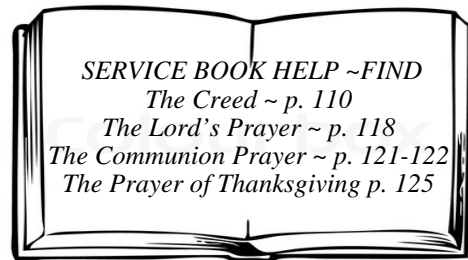
PLEASE DO NOT ENTER OR EXIT THE SANCTUARY AS

- 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.



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
Lulu & George Brown
Issa & Suad Shammam
Edmond Neam
Richie Kogok

Barbara Abraham
Grace Malouf
Fr. Basil Summer
Rt. Rev. Fr. Elias Bitar
Fred Zacharia

Nahas & Collins families

Terry Whaley
Frank & Barbara Ellis

DEPARTED

V. Rev. Fr. Gabriel Ashie Oct 25
Lorraine Adelmassy Nov 5
Khalil Mouchantaf Oct 25
Suad John Peter (Butros) Oct 18
John, Jad, Sami Butros
Bonnie Akel
George Janini Jr Oct 10
Joanne Husson Oct 8

Frank & Haifa Ellis
John & Thelma Patton

HOLY BREAD OF OBLATION: Offered by Frank & Barbara Ellis

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Offered by Nick & Rosalie Nahas celebrating 50 years of marriage