

	BREAD OF HOLY OBLATION	FELLOWSHIP HOUR
30 Aug	Caroline Jarboe	Caroline Jarboe
06 Sept	Ramzi Azat—1 yr Memorial for Suat Lama Najjar—40 Day Memorial for George Sayegh	Ramzi Azat—1 yr Memorial for Suat Lama Najjar—40 Day Memorial for George Sayegh
13 Sept	Katia Wakim Nassif	Katia Wakim Nassif
20 Sept	Soraya Assaf	Soraya Assaf
27 Sept	OPEN	Festival

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.

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Matins: Sundays 9:30am
Divine Liturgy: Sundays 10:30am

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2015

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW TONE 4 / EOTHINON 2

LEAVE-TAKING OF THE COMMEMORATION OF THE BEHEADING OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

ALEXANDER, PAUL THE NEW, AND JOHN, PATRIARCHS OF CONSTANTINOPLE; VENERABLE PHANTINOS OF CALABRIA; REPOSE OF VENERABLE ALEXANDER OF SVIR; TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF ALEXANDER NEVSKY, PRINCE OF NOVGOROD; CYRIL AND MAKARIOS, PATRIARCHS OF SERBIA

APOLYTIKION OF THE RESURRECTION (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 THE BAPTST'S BEHEADING (TONE 2)

In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for living thou wast translated, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

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 NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS (Tone 4)

Verily, the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercessions, who is never rejected, neither tomb nor death could control. But being the Mother of Life, He Who dwelt in her ever-Virgin womb did translate her to life.

Charity Collection

Our charity collection for the month of August will go to a local organization called "Sprout". Sprout is a therapeutic riding and education center. Sprout was visited by one of our parishioners who was touched by the program and brought this worthy cause to us. Sprout Therapeutic Riding and Education Center is a mission-based non-profit organization providing equine assisted activities and therapies to individuals seeking opportunities for growth. The children served by Sprout have special needs such as Cerebral palsy, Autism and traumatic brain injuries,. Sprout Therapeutic Riding and Education Center seeks to raise public awareness about special needs and to provide dynamic learning, recreation, socialization and therapy opportunities for individuals and groups in a farm environment. There can be no better cause for our generosity and outreach to our local community. Please give generously to this worth cause.

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

Liturgical Texts and Practices

Throughout the history of this Archdiocese, there have been many large and important efforts which have addressed the need for useful liturgical texts, and uniformity of liturgical practice. I think that many would agree that we have not yet met those goals, and that we have much work to do in this area. Recently, we have reorganized the Department of Liturgics, and given that department the charter to greatly improve our liturgical texts and consistency of liturgical practices. Make no mistake that this will take considerable time and resources. We require a comprehensive review of our liturgical texts in order to achieve accuracy and uniformity. Following that, we will need to pursue the effort of professionally editing, printing and publishing these texts in the most effective way possible, including the use of electronic media where appropriate.

Monastic Life

One of the most important measures of the maturity of a Church in any land is the degree to which that Church has developed and achieved a robust, healthy, and universal monastic presence. We can safely say that we have only scratched the surface in the area of the establishment and nurturing of monastic communities, and much more needs to be done. The positive impact that monastics can have on faithful people who are not monastics can not be underestimated. On the one hand we must take care not to try to impose every aspect of monastic life on the life of those outside of monasteries. On the other hand, however, there is so much about the struggle of one who leads a monastic life that can apply to us, and spur us forward to apply those attributes to our own lives. The attributes of prayer, worship, brotherly love, humility and especially obedience are attributes that achieve a very high level within monastic life, and can inspire us to achieve a higher level of these attributes in our own lives. This will also be important to our young people who should be inspired to carefully consider the possibility that a life as a monastic might be a good choice for them. In addition, the raising up of male monastics will allow us to establish a future core of candidates for episcopal office.

As I mentioned in the beginning of my address, we have been granted a strong foundation by all of the hard work that has been done by our predecessors, and with the blessing of God. It is now our job to adorn these strong foundations with spiritual jewels, and gold of the heart. It is our task to focus on the sincere and difficult work ahead of us; the effort belongs to us, but the results belong to God. We will make changes in a careful and deliberate manner, and these changes should not be feared. Our history is dynamic, not static and we must always improve on everything that we do. Our Orthodox Faith is a faith of the heart, and everything that we do must be done within the context of an Orthodox ethos. Although the word "ethos" can be translated as "character" it is much deeper than that. Our Ethos comes from deep within our hearts and our souls. This convention, with our Father in Christ Patriarch John X presiding, and my presence at my first convention as your Metropolitan, marks the beginning of a new era. Every man, woman, and child in this Archdiocese has a gift or talent to contribute to this work. We will work together as a team where our collective efforts will far outweigh the efforts that we would make individually. We are challenged severely by a culture that insists on denying God, and insists on taking steps which are greatly displeasing to God. The most recent example is the decision of the United States Supreme Court to legalize same-sex marriage everywhere in this country. Since that decision, I have been listening to feedback from our clergy and laity, and studying those steps which we must take, and we will issue a very serious statement which will assist our clergy and laity as they confront this situation.

Let us run our race with endurance, keeping ever before us the reality that is revealed to us by St. Paul in his second letter to the Corinthians:

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.(2 Corinthians 3:18)

May the Lord bless our efforts as we journey from glory to glory.

Final of the Series

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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 is **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 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

Antiochian Women Fall Kick-off Luncheon and Meeting

Sunday, September 13, 2015 @12:15pm

A catered luncheon will follow Liturgy in the Lower Level Hall.

RSVP by September 10 to Bette Adam at johnbette@aol.com or (301) 651-8431

ABJADIYAH LANGUAGE WORKSHOPS

Have been scheduled for 2015-2016 starting **Saturday, October 3, 2015 through Saturday, June 4, 2016, 10:00am—12:30pm**. Exceptions are noted on the website calendar.

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

TEEN SOYO

Sept. 13 — Teen SOYO Meeting & all teens are welcome! Please bring your ideas and suggestions for the year to the meeting.

Sept. 20 — Meeting for the Election of Officers. Please attend to either run for office, vote for officers, or both.

Sept. 25-27 — Teen SOYO will help assist the Sunday School, Hospitality Committee, and 50/50 Raffle at the Bazaar.

Upcoming events...

Aug. 30 — Laila Maria Ayoub Baptism @2:30pm

Sep 05—Arabic Liturgy @2:00pm (new time)

Sep 05—Malouf & Garcia-Gomez Wedding Blessing/4:30pm

Sept 06—Suad Azat Memorial & Fellowship

Sept. 07—Labor Day/offices closed

Sept. 07—Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos 7:00pm

Sep 08—Parish Council Mtg. LL Conf/7:00pm

Sep 10—Adult Ed Forum/Exploring our Faith LL Conf. Rm/7:15pm

Sept 13—Observance of the Feast of the Elevation of the Cross

Sep 13—Antiochian Women Kick-off Luncheon LL Hall following Liturgy

Sept 19— Michelle Misleh/Terry Mitchell 7:00pm

Sept 20—Start of Sunday School

Sept. 20—Hakim/Smith Wedding @3:00pm

Sep 24—Adult Ed Forum/Exploring our Faith/LL Conf. Rm/7:15pm

Sept 25-27—Ss. Peter & Paul Festival

Oct 18—Annual Parish Assembly to follow Liturgy in Sanctuary

THE EPISTLE

(For the Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

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

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (16:13-24)

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, and be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (21:33-42)

The Lord spoke this parable: "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the Scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?'"

BE KINDLY DISPOSED IN HEART, WORD, AND DEED, READY AT EVERY TIME TO SERVE OTHERS WITHOUT THE SLIGHTEST VEXATION OR IRRITABILITY, REMEMBERING THE WORDS OF THE SAVIOUR: "WHOSOEVER WILL BE CHIEF AMONG YOU, LET HIM BE YOUR SERVANT."

ST. JOHN OF KRONSTADT

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Directors

Samia Zolnerowich
Jennifer Buchko

Teachers

Jumana Misleh
Susan Kozlov
Michelle Zook
Razan Abdallah
Christine Morin
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

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

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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 re-
 member 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	

His Grace, Bishop ALEXANDER

Fr. Anthony Hughes	Fr. Aris & Presbyteria Valerie Metrakos
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	Joyce Hamaty & Family
Nouha Aramouni	Joseph Gavin
Cassis Family	Matthew Gavin
Claudia Garcia & Baby Makai	Jessica Mesman Griffith
Dan & June DeHart	Brian, Caroline, Alex, Anna Maria Jarboe
Paul & Helen Jarboe	Tony & Ashley Russo & the child she bears
Nicholas, Anysia, Loanna Metrakos	Stefan Metrakos
Jim & Kathy Jatras	Brian & Alexandria Schmalzbach & Family
Christina Jatras	Chris, Jill, Emily Jarboe
Margaret Jarboe	Elizabeth Pennebaker
Steve & Janice Allen	Brent, Alexis, Brooklyn Allen
John Langston, Jr.	Paul, Peggy, Paul, John Langston
Michael Alan Brooks	Karen Thomas Family
Rod Dreher Family	Jim, Roxanne, Amber, Mary Bennett

DEPARTED

Arch Priest Gordon Walker
 Arch Priest Louis Mahshie
 George Sayegh
 George Marge, Sr.
 Victor Cassis
 Nick Hamaty
 Maurice Hyder
 Marie Moses
 Judy Haje
 Nelson Haje
 Catherine Shama
 John Langston
 Gloria Langston
 Ruth Schmidt
 Margaret Jarboe
 Paul Jarboe
 Carolyn Woda
 Ray Dreher

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.

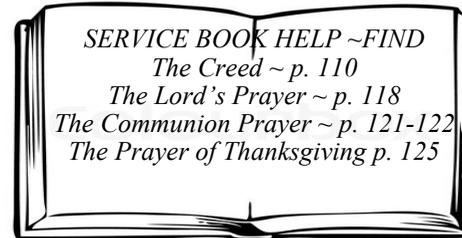
PLEASE DO NOT ENTER OR EXIT THE SANCTUARY AS

- 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:

Brian & Caroline Jarboe

In Honor of Alex Jarboe's names' Day for Alexander, Patriarch of Constantinople

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