



Holy Apostles Orthodox Church

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Sunday Matins 8:30am, Liturgy 10:00 am, Wed & Sat Vespers 6:00 pm,
Thurs 12:00 pm Scripture study

Sunday

August 17, 2017

Birthday: Mat. Louise Hill, John Morin, Sebastian Walters

Namesday: Vera Bozko-Summer, Nadezhda Steere, Sophia Dempsey,
Igor Agafonova

Travelers: *For all who are traveling this week.*

Visitors: Please stay after the service and join us for an Agape meal provided by the youth and Team 4.

Kitchen schedule: September 24th – Potluck.

Thanks to Frances Shorten who made today's prosphora.

Prosphora schedule: September 24th – Phyllis Blount

Announcements:

- **Parish Council Meeting Today after Coffee Hour**
All are invited to attend.
- **3 pm Today-** Church tour
- **Mon 9/18- 22** Fr. Thomas at the Metropolitan Council Meeting in NY.
- **Oct 4th, 9-11 am-** Prayer services (Akathists, Pannikhida) for Forty Days for Life at The Planned Parenthood Clinic- 2711 Middleburg. The clinic is closed that day so there is no personal confrontation simply prayers.

**Afterfeast of the Exaltation of the Precious and
Life-giving Cross
Holy Martyrs Sophia and her three daughters: Faith, Hope &
Charity, at Rome (ca. 137)**

Tone 6

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb,
the guards became as dead men.
Mary stood by Thy grave,
seeking Thy most pure body.
Thou didst capture hell, not being tempted by it.
Thou didst come to the Virgin granting life.
O Lord Who didst rise from the dead, //
glory to Thee.

Tone 1

O Lord, save Thy people,
and bless Thine inheritance.
Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians
over their adversaries,
and by Thy Cross //
preserve Thy dominion.

Tone 3

O Holy Apostles,
pray to the merciful God,
that He may grant to our souls //
remission of our transgressions.

Tone 5

Thou didst blossom in the courts of the Lord
as a fruitful olive tree,
O holy Martyr Sophia;
in thy contest thou didst offer to Christ
the sweet fruit of thy womb,
Love, Hope and Faith. //
With them intercede for us all.

Tone 6

When Christ God the Giver of Life,
raised all the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand,
He bestowed resurrection on the human race. //
He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life and the God of all.

Tone 4

Ye are the branches of wisdom in the vineyard of Christ,
offering fruit in your good deeds.
And pouring out for us wine of salvation,
partaking of it we are filled with joy!
We celebrate your honorable memory,
for which pray ye that we may be granted great mercy and remission of
sins, //

O ye Apostles of the Lord.

Tone 1

Glory to the Father / and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
Faith, Hope and Charity, holy branches of noble Sophia,
through grace made foolish the wisdom of the Hellenes;
and having suffered and been shown to be victorious, //
they were crowned by Christ the Master of all.

Tone 4

Both now and ever / and unto ages of ages. Amen.
As Thou wast voluntarily crucified for our sake,
grant mercy to those who are called by Thy name;
make all Orthodox Christians glad by Thy power,
granting them victories over their adversaries, //
by bestowing on them the invincible trophy, Thy weapon of peace!

Scripture Readings

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 4:6-15

For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us. We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body. For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh. So then death worketh in us, but life in you. We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak; Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20 (Sunday After)

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid. For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God. I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I

now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me

Gospel: Matthew 22:35-46

Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying, Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The son of David. He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying, The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool? If David then call him Lord, how is he his son? And no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1 (Sunday After)

And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That there be some of them that stand here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come with power.