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**NOVEMBER 20, 2022 / 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (TONE 6)
FOREFEAST OF THE ENTRY INTO THE TEMPLE OF THE ALL-HOLY VIRGIN MARY**

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE SIX

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!

TROPARION OF FOREFEAST IN TONE FOUR

Today Anna bequeaths joy to all instead of sorrow, / by bringing forth her fruit, the only ever-Virgin. / In fulfillment of her vow, / today with joy she brings to the temple of the Lord // the true temple and pure Mother of God the Word.

TROPARION OF SS. GREGORY & PROCLUS IN TONE FOUR

The twofold lamps of divine gifts, / Proclus, shepherd of New Rome, and Gregory, scion of Decapolis, / guide us by the light of grace as divinely-inspired fathers. / Let us draw near and eagerly beseech them, // that we may receive forgiveness and salvation of our souls!

- *Sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE SIX

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, / raised all of 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.

- *Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

KONTAKION OF FOREFEAST IN TONE FOUR

Today the universe is filled with joy / at the glorious feast of the Mother of God, // and cries out: “She is the heavenly tabernacle.”

PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance.
v. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, Thou art very great.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (2:4-10)

Brethren, God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

ALLELUIA IN TONE SIX

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.

v. He will say to the Lord: "My Protector and my Refuge; my God, in Whom I trust."

THE GOSPEL

The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (12:16-21)

Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.'" But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

TODAY'S PARASTAS

Parastas after Divine Liturgy in memory of Raymond O. Royer offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer.

TODAY'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

St. John's Cross offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Raymond O. Royer (5th anniversary of repose).

St. Nicholas' Cross offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Brenda Royer.

TODAY'S SAINTS

Saints commemorated on November 20th: St. Gregory the Decapolite; St. Proclus, Archbishop of Constantinople; Martyr Dasius of Dorostorum; Martyrs Eustace, Thespesius, and Anatolius of Nicaea; Hieromartyrs Nerses and Joseph of Persia, and Companions; St. Theoctistus the Confessor; Royal Martyr Edmund, King of East Anglia; Virgin-martyr Maxentia of Beauvais; St. Benignus, Archbishop of Milan; Martyrs Octavius, Solutor, and Adventor of Turin; St. Bernward, Bishop of Hildesheim.

UPCOMING SERVICES

5:00 PM (Sunday) – Great Vespers w. Lity

9:30 AM (Monday) – Divine Liturgy [*Entry of All-Holy Virgin Mary into Temple*]

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

9:20 AM (Sunday) – Third Hour & Divine Liturgy

PARISH & LOCAL EVENTS

- (1) The Annual Parish Meeting is being held in the church hall after today's Divine Liturgy.
- (2) The annual "St. Nicholas Dinner" at St. Mary's Carpatho-Russian Church, 90 W. 29th Street, Bayonne, N.J. is at 12:00 PM on Sunday, December 4, 2022. For information, call St. Mary's Rectory at (201) 436-5549. Also, St. Mary's Christmas season bake sale has begun—for details, see flyer posted in the church vestibule.
- (3) The annual Christmas concert at St. Peter's University is 5:30 PM on December 11, 2022, at St. Aedan's, the St. Peter's University Church, located at 800 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, N.J. The Aidan C. McMullen Chorale and St. Aedan's SCHOLA are joined by guest instrumentalists under the direction of Prof. Joseph Hill.
- (4) All parishioners ought to go to confession during the Nativity Fast, which may be heard after any Vespers. Those unable to attend Vespers may call the Rectory at 201-436-3244 to make an appointment.
- (5) The Bayonne Alpha FOCA chapter is collecting gift cards for fulfilling Christmas wish lists of seminarian families at St. Tikhon's and St. Vladimir's. If you would like to participate, please get them to Marge Kovach by November 27, 2022. Thank you in advance for all of your support of this worthy project.

"The greatest saint in the world is not he who prays most or fasts most; it is not he who gives alms, or is most eminent for temperance, chastity or justice. It is he who is most thankful to God."

~ William Law (1686-1761)