

Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Catholic Church

(a parish of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in America)

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Sunday, July 13, 2014 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 4) / Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils

Today's Saints

Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel; St. Stephen of the St. Sabbas Monastery;
Martyr Golinduc of Persia

Today's Services

6:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers & General Confession

9:00 AM (Sunday) – Divine Liturgy

Today's Liturgy Readings

Epistle: Romans 10:1-10

Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not

submitted to the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, "The man who does those things shall live by them." But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven' (that is, to bring Christ down from above) or, 'Who will descend into the abyss?' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith we which preach): that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Second Epistle: Hebrews 13:7-16 (See Bulletin Insert for Reading)

Gospel: Matthew 8:28-9:1 & John 17:1-13 (See Bulletin Insert for Readings)

Announcements & Events

Parish Events: Next Sunday there shall be a brunch buffet (in honor of Wilfred Royer's 90th Birthday and Philip Benda's tonsure to the rank of reader) after Hierarchical Divine Liturgy.

"R" Club Events: On July 25-28, 2014 the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America ("R" Club) is having its National Convention in Gettysburg, PA.

Upcoming Services

July 14-15, 2014

6:00 PM – Great Vespers w. Lity

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

July 19-20, 2014

6:00 PM – Great Vespers w. Lity

9:00 AM – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, July 13, 2014

Tone 4 / Sunday of the Holy Fathers of Fourth Ecumenical Council

Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel; Venerable Stephen of St. Sabbas Monastery; Martyr Golinduc of Persia

RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION IN TONE FOUR

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.

TROPARION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

- *Now sing the troparion of Ss. Peter and Paul.*
- *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

RESURRECTIONAL KONTAKION IN TONE FOUR

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of Hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

PROKEIMENON IN TONE FOUR

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom Thou hast made them all.
v. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, Thou art very great!

Second Prokeimenon (Same Tone): Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews (3:7-16)

Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them. For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

ALLELUIA IN TONE FOUR

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

v. Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!
v. For Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest iniquity.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1)

When He had come to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two demon-possessed men, coming out of the tombs, exceedingly fierce, so that no one could pass that way. And suddenly they cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?" Now a good way off from them there was a herd of many swine feeding. So the demons begged Him, saying, "If You cast us out, permit us to go away into the

herd of swine.” And He said to them, “Go.” So when they had come out, they went into the herd of swine. And suddenly the whole herd of swine ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and perished in the water. Then those who kept them fled, and they went away into the city and told everything, including what had happened to the demon-possessed men. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus. And when they saw Him, they begged Him to depart from their region. So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (17:1-13)

Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: “Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the word which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. For I have given them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours and Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You have Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise befits the just! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!