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September 25, 2022 / Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 6)

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 ST. SERGIUS IN TONE FOUR

A zealot of good deeds / and a true warrior of Christ our God, / thou didst struggle greatly against the passions in this passing life; / in songs and vigils and fasting thou wast an image and example to thy disciples, / thus the most Holy Spirit lived within thee, / and thou wast made beautiful by His working. / Since thou hast great boldness before the Holy Trinity, / remember the flock which thou hast wisely gathered, // and do not forget to visit thy children as thou hast promised, venerable Sergius, our father.

- *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 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.

PROKEIMENON IN TONE SIX

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance!

v. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

Prokeimenon in Tone Seven: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

THE EPISTLE

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:6-15)

Brethren, for it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone 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 excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed – always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So then death is working in us, but life in you. And since we have the

same spirit of faith, according to what is written, “I believed and therefore I spoke,” we also believe and therefore speak, knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (5:22-6:2)

Brethren, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted. Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

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.”

v. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (5:1-11)

So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets. Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat. When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, “Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” But Simon answered and said to Him, “Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net.” And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking. So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!” For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.” So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.

The Reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (6:17-23)

And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all. Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: “Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, for you shall be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man’s sake. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance! He shall not fear evil tidings! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

TODAY’S PARASTAS

Parastas in memory of Omer J. Royer and Reader Michael Mellin (40th Day), offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer.

TODAY'S SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Altar Vigils offered by John and Helen Wanko in memory of Mary Grudinoff (anniversary of birth).
Sanctuary Lamp offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Omer J. Royer (60th anniversary of repose).
Triple Candelabra offered by Fr. W. Sophrony Royer in memory of Reader Michael Mellin (40th day).

TODAY'S SAINTS

Saints commemorated on September 25th: St. Sergius the Wonderworker, Abbot of Radonezh; St. Euphrosyne of Alexandria; St. Euphrosyne of Suzdal; Martyr Paphnutius of Egypt and 546 Companions; St. Arsenius the Great, Catholicos of Georgia; St. Firminus, 1st Bishop of Amiens; St. Aunarius, Bishop of Auxerre; St. Principius, Bishop of Soissons (elder brother of St Remigius of Rheims); St. Lupus, Archbishop of Lyon; St. Finbarr, 1st Bishop of Cork; St. Ceolfrid, Abbot of Monkwearmouth–Jarrow Abbey; 1st Translation of Relics of St. Herman, Archbishop of Kazan.

UPCOMING SERVICES

9:30 AM (Saturday) – Divine Liturgy [*Protection of BVM*]

5:00 PM (Saturday) – Great Vespers

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

PARISH EVENTS

(1) Today is the final day of the special collection for the benefit of St. Tikhon's Monastery for three consecutive weeks to help pay off the debt of the new monastery residence. This fundraising project was approved at the 2021 Diocesan Assembly, obligating all parishes in the Diocese of New York & New Jersey. Thank you for your generosity. (2) Reservations are currently being taken for the centennial anniversary banquet at the Knights of Columbus Hall on October 23, 2022. Reservations can be sent to sspeterandpaulbayonne100th@gmail.com by email, or to the rectory address by U.S. Mail, or may be made in person at church.

“Until the living force of egoism meets in man with another living force, the opposite of it, the consciousness of truth is only external illumination, a reflection of someone else's light.”

— Vladimir Solovyov (1853-1900), The Meaning of Love