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ST. PETER THE APOSTLE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*“Thou hast come to us without leaving Rome,
Thou who doest preside over the Apostles by the power of the venerable chains that thou didst bear.
While honoring them in faith, we beseech thee that by thine intercessions,
God may grant us great mercy.”*

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<u>Schedule of Services</u>		
Daily Matins	Monday – Friday (Except Thursday)	6:00 am
	Saturday	7:00 am
Vespers	Tuesday & Friday	5:00 pm
<u>Divine Services</u>		
Great Vespers	Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday Matins (Orthros)	Sunday	8:00 am
Divine Liturgy	Sunday	9:15 am
Special Services scheduled as appointed		

SUNDAY, MARCH 01, 2009

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SUNDAY OF FORGIVENESS (CHEESE FARE)

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN 4th MODE

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.

KONTAKION FOR FORGIVENESS SUNDAY IN PL. 2nd MODE

O Thou Who guidest to wisdom, and givest understanding and intelligence, the Instructor of the ignorant, and Helper of the poor, strengthen my heart and grant it understanding, O Master. Give me word, O Word of the Father; for behold, I shall not refrain my lips from crying to Thee, O merciful One, have mercy upon me who am fallen.

THE EPISTLE

(For Sunday of Forgiveness)

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Sing praises to our King, sing praises.

O clap your hands, all ye nations.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (13:11-14:4)

Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Master is able to make him stand.

THE GOSPEL

(For Sunday of Forgiveness)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (6:14-21)

The Lord said to His Disciples: If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father Who is in secret; and your Father Who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

***** *Announcements for the Week of March 1st* *****

- Daily Lenten service schedule applies this week: Lenten Orthros, mornings at 6 AM except on Thursdays; and Lenten Vespers on Sunday, Tuesday and Friday nights at 5 PM. No change to Saturday eve and Sunday morning services and times. Consult the monthly calendar for more details.
- **Tonight – Forgiveness Vespers 5 PM**
- **NEXT SUNDAY**, March 8th, there will NOT be a Eucharistic liturgy at our parish. Instead, the **Service of Typika with Holy Communion**, will be served by the Rev. Dn. John Eichinger, who will also preach the homily. The Typika service begins at 9:15 AM. It is preceded by Readers' Orthros, which begins at 8:00 AM.

- The reason for the previous announcement: Bishop JOSEPH has summoned the clergy of the southern California deanery to share in the Episcopal concelebration of the **Triumph of Orthodoxy, on Sunday, March 8th, at St. Nicholas Cathedral.**
- **Youth** meet every Monday at 5:30 PM.
- **Inquirers/ Catechumen class** meets every Saturday, directly after Great Vespers. Class begins at about 6:30 PM and runs until 7:45, or so.
- This coming Saturday morning, the first Saturday of Great Lent, is known as “**Theodore Saturday**” on which we will commemorate the Miracle of the Kollyva. NOTE: the **Divine Liturgy** of ST. John Chrysostom WILL be served, followed by the Blessing of Kollyva.
- Parish Study: the House of God meets every Tuesday night at 7:00 PM.
- Monday, March 9th, the Liturgy of the Presanctified will be celebrated at 6:00 PM. Lenten 9th hour will precede at 5:15 PM.
- Now/Again available in the bookstore: Pocket Preparation
- prayer books for Holy Communion & the blue Prayer Book from Holy Transfiguration Monastery.
- **FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE** – Now especially is the season of giving. Boxes are available by the front door for you to use in your homes to collect money for this worthy cause. “Send your treasures to the heavenly storage room. Deposit your wealth in God’s bank, distributing to the poor, the orphans and the widows so that you can receive a million times more in the Second Coming of Christ.” - Elder Joseph the Hesychast.