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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
Divine Services		
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 22, 2009

THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT; GRAVE MODE / EOTHENON 7

VENERATION (ADORATION) OF THE PRECIOUS AND LIFE-GIVING CROSS

****DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT****

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN GRAVE MODE

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION FOR THE HOLY CROSS IN 1st MODE

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of thy Cross preserving thy common wealth.

KONTAKION FOR THE ANNUNCIATION (AND GREAT LENT) IN PL. 4TH MODE

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: "Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom."

THE ANTI-TRISAGION HYMN

Before Thy Cross we bow down in worship, Master, and we glorify Thy Holy Resurrection. (THRICE)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

And we glorify Thy Holy Resurrection.

Dynamis!

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THE EPISTLE

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

To Thee, O Lord, have I cried, O my God.

The Reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (4:14-5:6)

Brethren, since we have a High Priest, Who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but One Who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is bound to offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not take the honor upon himself, but he is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not exalt Himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by Him Who said to Him, "Thou art My Son, today I have begotten Thee"; as He says also in another place, "Thou art a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek."

THE GOSPEL

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (8:34-9:1)

The Lord said, "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake and the Gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and

sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.” And Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Kingdom of God come with power.”

***** *Announcements for the Week of March 22nd* *****

***Tonight:** NO Sunday eve Vespers; Father Patrick will be at St. Barbara Monastery.

* Usual weekday morning and evening services of Great Lent take place this week. See the calendar for details.

* Great Feast of the Annunciation falls on Wednesday, March 25. We will keep the feast with Festal Vigil on Tuesday evening, March 24, and Divine Liturgy on Wednesday morning, March 25.

*This week there will be no Parish Study on Tuesday evening because of the Annunciation Feast.

***Youth** meet every Monday at 5:30 PM.

***SAVE THE DATE!** The evening of May 17 will be our St Peter's Dinner and Talent Show. This event will take place to raise money for a summer Monastery Retreat to Arizona for our girls and young ladies. If you are interested in underwriting any of the costs for this event, please contact Kh Christina.

* **Inquirers/ Catechumen class** meets every Saturday, directly after Great Vespers. Class begins at about 6:30 PM and runs until 7:45, or so.

* Now/Again available in the bookstore: Pocket Preparation prayer books for Holy Communion & the blue Prayer Book from Holy Transfiguration Monastery.

*A newly revised March calendar is available by the front door.