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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 29, 2009

FOURTH SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT; PL 4TH MODE / EOTHENON 8

COMMEMORATION OF JOHN CLIMACUS, AUTHOR OF “THE LADDER”

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

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN PL. 4th MODE

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our Life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. JOHN CLIMACUS IN PL. 4th MODE

The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears; and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles a hundred-fold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father John Climacus, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

- *Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.*

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

To thee, the Champion Leader, I thy servant 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: "Rejoice, O Bride without bridegroom!"

THE EPISTLE

The Lord will give strength to His people. The Lord will bless His people with peace.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (6:13-20)

Brethren, when God made a promise to Abraham, since He had no one greater by whom to swear, He swore by Himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Men indeed swear by one greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of His purpose, He interposed with an oath. So that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (9:16-30)

At that time, a man came to Jesus, kneeling down and saying unto him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit. And wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked Thy Disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And Jesus answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to Me." And they brought the boy to Him; and when the spirit saw Jesus, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if Thou canst do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when Jesus had entered the house, His Disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And Jesus said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And Jesus would not have anyone know it; for He was teaching His Disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him; and after He is killed, He will rise on the third day."

***** *Announcements for the Week of March 29nd* *****

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

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

*Parish Study will meet this Tuesday at 7:00pm.

***Thursday, April 2nd at 6:00pm will be Little Compline with the Great Cannon of Repentance.**

***Next Sunday, April 5th** the Parish Council will meet.

***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.

*Reminder: Father Patrick will be out of the parish from Monday April 6 – Thursday April 9.

*Saturday, April 11 the Divine Liturgy for St. Lazarus will be held at St. Nicholas Cathedral at 10am. There will not be a service that morning at St. Peter's.

*2009 Parish Life Conference will be held May 20 – 24. See bulletin board for details.