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**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2010**  
**FIRST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT (SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY)**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

**APOLYTIKION OF FIRST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT IN 2<sup>nd</sup> Mode**

Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness of our sins, O Christ our God; for by Thine own will Thou didst ascend the Cross in Thy body, to save Thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Thou hast verily filled all with joy, since Thou didst come, O our Savior, to save the world.

**APOLYTIKION OF ST. PETER (IN CHAINS)**

Thou hast come to us without leaving Rome, thou who dost 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.

**KONTAKION FOR THE ANNUNCIATION (AND GREAT LENT) IN Pl. 4<sup>th</sup> 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 EPISTLE**

**The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (11:24-26, 32-40)**

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets; who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, and put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and

scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

### **THE GOSPEL**

#### **The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (1:43-51)**

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And He found Philip and said to him, “Follow Me.” Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, “We have found Him of Whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.” Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!” Nathanael said to Jesus, “How do you know me?” Jesus answered him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.” Nathanael answered Him, “Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God! Thou art the King of Israel!” Jesus answered him, “Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these.” And Jesus said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man.”

#### **\*\*\* *Announcements for the Week of February 21st* \*\*\***

- Today!** Home Search Committee will meet following Orthodox School.
- Our Parish Lenten Study** meets Tuesday evening after vespers. **Please let Shelly know if you want a book for this study (extras are being ordered).**
- Camping Scholarships** are available again this year for summer camp. Please inform Fr. Patrick of your wish for a scholarship for your child(ren) **no later than Thurs., Feb. 25.**
- Our fund-raising campaign continues.** Please make your pledge of giving and bring it with you for our Liturgy **next Sunday** for a dedication of these gifts to the Lord.
- Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>** at 8:30am will be the 40 day memorial service for Bill Green.

Schedule of Divine Services--	
Ordinary Schedule:	Special
Schedule:	
Daily Matins at 6:00 AM, Wednesday and Friday	Daily Matins at 6:00 AM, Monday -- Friday, except Thursday
Saturday Matins at 7:00 AM	Saturday Matins at 7:00 AM
Vespers at 5:00 PM, Tuesday & Friday. [certain times]	[Every evening at certain times]
For the Lord's Day (Sunday)	
Great Vespers at 5:00 PM, Saturday (preceded by the 9 <sup>th</sup> Hour, at 4:45 PM)	
Sunday Matins at 8:00 AM, Sunday	
Divine Liturgy immediately follows Matins; thus, at about 9:15 AM.	
Special Services are scheduled; see Announcements	