

Forgiveness Vespers Tonight @ 5:30PM

Lenten Confession

Please begin preparing your Lenten Confession and make your confession sooner rather than later. Blocks of time with the priest's availability will be posted on the online church calendar. Father Thomas will be unable to hear confessions after Lazarus Saturday. Open hours for walk-in confession will be available after Great Vespers on Saturdays. Contact Rose to schedule an appointment.

Parish Lenten Retreat

"Engaging the Sacrifice at the Heart of Liturgy" with Archimandrite Jeremy will be held April 12-13. Seats are limited and childcare will be available. REGISTER today! Contact Alex with any questions.



Parish Bookstore

The Parish Bookstore has a new home in the front room of the RUTH HOUSE! All items are as marked and payments are made on the honor system to be placed into the box on the mantle. Contact Pam with any questions.

Flower Ministry

The Flower Ministry is seeking donations to adorn the Nave for Holy Week and Pascha. Please indicate "Flowers" on your check or PayPal. Contact Jessica if you would like to help.

Party Planning Committee

Seeking volunteers to help with Pascha Picnic & BBQ! Water Slide, Wiffle-Ball Championship, Cavalcade of Charcuterie, Mead-Tasting, Smoke-Ring Contest, Egg-Hunt, Egg-Toss, Egg-Deviling, and Other Assorted Revelries!

Potluck Sunday

Sunday of St Gregory Palamas (March 31) is a Fifth Sunday, so the Agape Meal will be a LENTEN POTLUCK. Please bring something to share for the communal table. Contact: Kellee

Scholarships Offered

2024 Francis Maria Scholarship is being offered for adults and young adults in good standing in the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America. Applicants must be a U.S. or Canadian citizen entering any of the first four years of an accredited undergraduate college or university. This year, we increased the amount of the award to \$10,000 per student to help meet the challenges of high tuition costs. With this Premier Scholarship, we hope to encourage more Orthodox young people to seek higher education becoming stronger, well-educated, Orthodox Christian leaders. Email for info: Scholarships@OrthodoxYouth.com

St Peter the Apostle  
ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH



Divine Liturgy Variables for Sunday, March 17, 2024  
Plagal of the 4<sup>th</sup> Mode / Eothinon 8;  
Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheese Fare)

- Pastor:** Rev Fr. Thomas Miller  
**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Fr. Elias Hourani  
**Deacon:** Rev. John Germain  
**Deacon:** Rev. Lazarus Lombardi

**Parish Council:**  
Matt Clark (Chair)  
Erica Wiswell (Vice-Chair)  
Jud Cargill (Treasurer)  
Anthony Peggs (Secretary)  
Jeri Geleris  
Nate Placencia
- Agape Meal: Kellee Nelson  
Bookstore: Pam Drennan  
Burial Society: Chris Dupee  
Directory: Lana Arons  
Music Coordinator: Michael Law  
Property Manager: Jeremiah Nelson  
Flower Ministry: Jessica Bellinger  
Food Pantry: Andy Geleris  
Men's Group: Jeremiah Nelson  
Mercy Meals: Pam Drennan  
Parish Administrator: Rose Vitz  
Sunday Orthodox School: Amanda Buschbacher  
Welcome Booth: Seraphima & Anthony  
Youth Group: Ryan August  
Antiochian Women: Erica & Kellee

This Week: December March 17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>

SUN, 17 <sup>th</sup>	MON, 18 <sup>th</sup>	TUE, 19 <sup>th</sup>
Sunday Orthodox School: 8:45	Great Compline: 5:30pm	Mountain Men: 6:30am
Orthros: 8:50am		Great Compline: 5:30pm
Divine Liturgy: 10am		
Sunday Orthodox School: 12:pm		
Choir Practice: 12:30pm		
Forgiveness Vespers: 5:30pm		
WED, 20 <sup>th</sup>	THU, 21 <sup>st</sup>	FRI, 22 <sup>nd</sup>
9th Hour & Typika 5:30pm	Great Compline: 5:30pm	Homeschool co-op: 9:30am
Presanctified Liturgy: 6pm		Men's Gathering: 7am
Lenten Potluck Agape Meal: 7:30pm	Little Compline w/ the Akathist Hymn: 5:30pm	Great Vespers: 5:30pm
Great Compline: 8:30pm	SPY Nite: 7pm	

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**THE GREAT DOXOLOGY** – *Plagal of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mode*

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION** – *Plagal of the 4<sup>th</sup> 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 FOR ST. PETER** – *4<sup>th</sup> Mode*

Thou hast come to us without leaving Rome, O thou who dost preside over the apostles by the power of the venerable chains thou didst bear. While honoring them with faith, we beseech thee that through thine intercession, God may grant us great mercy!

**KONTAKION FOR FORGIVENESS SUNDAY** – *Plagal of the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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**

*Make your vows unto the Lord and perform them.  
God is known in Judah; His name is great in Israel.*

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

Brethren, now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk becomingly, as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in chambering and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill its lusts. But as for the one who is weak in faith, receive him, but not for disputes over opinions. For one believes he may eat anything; but the weak person eats herbs. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to be the judge over the servant of a stranger? To his own master he either stands or falls; but he will be made to stand; for God is able to make him stand.

**THE GOSPEL**

**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.