

JANUARY 21, 2024

## BULLETIN – 29TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Bulletin Submissions Deadline – **10 am Wed.** ♦ church website: <https://ssppaoc.org>

**Ss Peter & Paul Mission:** preserve, practice, and proclaim the Gospel of our Lord, God, & Savior Jesus Christ in order to glorify God in the parish and wider community.

### This Week @ Ss. Peter & Paul–January 21-27, 2024

- 1/23 Tues 7:00 am – Readers Orthros  
7:00 pm – Women's Evening Book Study
- 1/24 Wed 8:00 am – Divine Lit., St. Xenia  
6:00 pm – Paraklesis
- 1/25 Thu 6:00 am – Men's Reading Group  
1:00 pm – Women's Daytime Book Study
- 1/27 Sat 6:00 pm – Great Vespers & Compline
- 1/28 Sun 8:20 am – Orthros  
9:30 am – Divine Lit. – 31st Sunday  
After Pentecost  
10:20 am – Church School  
Adult Catechism  
Adult Choir rehearsal  
Youth Choir practice  
2:00 pm – Community Dinner

### Looking ahead—

- January 30 Morning Divine Lit., Three Hierarchs
- February 1 Festal Orthros & Divine Lit., Presentation of the Lord followed by festal meal
- February 3 Men's Breakfast
- February 4 Trisagion for John Johnson
- February 6 Morning Divine Lit., Julian of Homs & Photios the Great
- February 11 Trisagion for Daniel Theodore Dillon
- February 13 Women's Evening Book Study
- February 14 Morning Divine Lit., Cyril, Evangelizer of the Slavs

**PLC – July 3-7  
Tucson, Arizona  
Hosted by Holy Resurrection**

*Many Years – Anniversary*  
**Dn. Antonio & Sh. Lucia Rivera** January 27

### TIME FOR HOUSE BLESSINGS

It's that time of year again. Please use this link to sign up for a house blessing in January with Fr. Christopher.

<https://forms.gle/ZC9vp6CUGFJorXmN8>

**Wednesday, January 24, 8:00 am**  
**Divine Liturgy, St. Xenia**

### FFHP BOXES

Remember to count your change at home from the Food For Hungry People alms boxes. Write a check for the amount with FFHP in the memo, or put cash in an envelope marked FFHP. Then place in the donation plate on Sunday.

### **Community Dinner** **Sunday, January 28, 2:00 pm**

**Donations of non-perishable food items, money, and helpers to make and distribute the dinner needed. Leave food items in the parish hall kitchen or industrial refrigerator marked for Community Dinner, not in the residential refrigerator. To volunteer, contact **Keidi Lewis @ 588-9575****

**Tuesday, January 30, 6:00 am**  
**Divine Liturgy, Three Holy Hierarchs**

Feast of  
Presentation of the Lord

Thursday, February 1

5:00 pm – All About the Feasts

5:00 pm – Festal Orthros & Divine  
Liturgy

Followed by festal meal

**CALENDAR ITEMS**

If you have anything you would like to put on the church calendar, including Trisagion prayers, please contact Dn. Anthony at [frdnranthony@gmail.com](mailto:frdnranthony@gmail.com).

***Adult Catechism  
Sunday, January 28  
during coffee hour***

**LOST & FOUND**

If you have misplaced something on the church grounds, look in the box below the church mailboxes in the parish hall. If the item is small, like sunglasses, check with the church office. Pick up soon or it will be gone.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST**

All men are welcome at the breakfast in the parish hall, Saturday, February 3 at 8:00 am.

**PRICE RISE IN CHURCH FIRE  
INSURANCE**

The church fire insurance policy has more than tripled from last year's cost. In the new year there will be an appeal for donations to cover this unexpected expense.

**HOLY WATER BLESSED AT THEOPHANY**

Holy Water is that water which is blessed on the Feast of Theophany, the celebration of Christ's baptism in the Jordan, blessing the waters (and all of creation) by his presence therein. On Theophany, the faithful bring Holy Water containers to fill and bring home.

It is sprinkled and consumed "for the purification of the souls and bodies of all those who, with faith, shall draw and partake of it," "that Satan may speedily be crushed under our feet, and that every evil counsel directed against us may be brought to naught," and to "illumine us with the light of understanding and of piety, and with the descent of the Holy Spirit." (*from the service of the Blessing of the Waters on the Feast of Theophany*)

Holy Water is kept in the church so that the faithful may make use of it, for healing and strength in the case of illness or dealing with struggles in life, especially of a spiritual nature. **Whether at home or at church, Holy Water should always be consumed with prayer.** The Holy Water in the Narthex is available to replenish your container if you should run out at home.

Saint Luke of Crimea advised, "Drink holy water as often as possible. It is the best and the most effective medicine. I'm saying that not just as a priest but also from my experience as a doctor."

**PLEASE EXIT QUIETLY**

The Church is a house of prayer and it is important to remember that after the Divine Liturgy there are post communion prayers being read. All are welcome and encouraged to stay and pray. Both when you come up to kiss the cross and afterwards until exiting, please remain silent.