

JULY 28, 2024

## BULLETIN – 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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**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–July 29-August 4, 2024

- 7/30 Tu 7:00 am – Readers Orthros  
7/31 Wd 6:00 pm – Vespers  
8/1 Th 8:00 am – Divine Lit. – Procession of  
the Precious Cross  
**Dormition Fast begins**  
8/3 Sa 8:00 am – Men's Breakfast  
6:00 pm – Great Vespers & Compline  
followed by summer BBQ  
8/4 Su 8:20 am – Orthros  
9:30 am – Divine Liturgy – 6th Sunday  
after Pentecost  
Youth choir sings Divine Liturgy  
6:00 - 8:00 pm – Game Night in barn

### Looking Ahead—

- August 5 *All About the Feasts; Orthros & Divine  
Lit. Transfiguration & festal meal*  
August 6 **No** Readers Orthros  
August 8 *Koffee w/Khouria*  
August 10 *Summer BBQ*  
August 11 *Catechism*

### THANK YOU

A big thank you to the many moms and the teenagers who organized, taught, and helped at the Ss Peter & Paul Summer Kids Camp recently.

## FEAST OF TRANSFIGURATION

MONDAY, AUGUST 5

5:00 PM – ALL ABOUT THE FEASTS

5:00 PM – ORTHROS & DIVINE LITURGY

FOLLOWED BY FESTAL MEAL

PLEASE GO TO THE LINK BELOW TO SIGN UP  
FOR FOOD TO BRING TO THE FEAST

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0948AD  
AF2FA20-50436017-feast](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0948AD<br/>AF2FA20-50436017-feast)

### *Many Years – Birthday*

<i>Jasper Cooper</i>	<i>July 28</i>
<i>Audrey Baillie</i>	<i>July 30</i>
<i>Gerry Elwell</i>	<i>July 31</i>
<i>Karl Elwell</i>	<i>July 31</i>
<i>John Ivancovich</i>	<i>August 3</i>
<i>Cassiana Resnick</i>	<i>August 3</i>

### WHY WE FAST BEFORE DORMITION

In a close-knit family, news that its matriarch is on her deathbed brings normal life to a halt. Otherwise important things (parties, TV, luxuries, personal desires) become unimportant; life comes to revolve around the dying matriarch. It is the same with the Orthodox family; word that our matriarch is on her deathbed, should have a similar effect on us. We fast, not to get what we want, but to prepare ourselves to receive what God wants to give us. Fasting is intended to bring us to the realization of “the one thing needful.” It is to help us put God first and our own desires second, if not last. It also serves to prepare us to be instruments of God's will, as with Moses in his flight from Egypt and on Mt. Sinai, as well as our Lord's fast in the wilderness. Fasting turns us away from ourselves and toward God. It helps us become more like the Theotokos, an obedient servant of God, who heard His word and kept it better than anyone else has or could. (Excerpt from *The Ascetic Life Of Motherhood.*)

### BYZANTINE CHANT SERIES FOR CHILDREN

- ★ “A Joyful Noise: Exploring Byzantine Chant,” launched by Ancient Faith Kids
- ★ Taught by Antiochian chanter Christian Farradj Children will be taught in an age-appropriate manner about the eight modes (tones) used in Orthodox Christian Byzantine chant, will learn about the parallagi scale, and will sing hymns along with the host
- ★ Go [here](#) for more information

## COMMUNITY DINNER TODAY @ 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 the residential refrigerator.

To volunteer, contact

Sh. Karla @ (831) 431-3081 or

Monica Zweers @ (831) 246-3244.

### PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

We need nominations for qualified parishioners to serve on the Parish Council. These are the requirements:

- At least 25 years of age
- A voting member of the parish for a period of two years or more
- A member in good standing
- Active in the worship and sacramental life of the church (i.e., regular and frequent participation in the services, communion, and confession)
- Cannot be living in contradiction to the faith

The Parish Council is a service ministry of the Church, and as such requires Christ-like love, humility, and faithfulness in the service of the Church.

These eligibility requirements come from the current parish constitution and clarification from the archdiocese.

Currently serving Parish Council members who will remain on the council are Marc Sacoolas, Sh. Karla Newberry, Kh. Ellen Steiger, Leanne Albers, Keith Evans, Dave Matthews. Thanks go to Frank Hagg, Victor Albers, and Philip Salibi who will have completed their terms. There are two openings for nominations. Fr. Christopher will also appoint one member.

Hand your Parish Council nominations to one of the Nominating Committee: Fr. Christopher, Keith Evans, or Frank Hagg. Lilac colored nomination forms in Narthex.

**Thursday, August 1**  
**8:00 am Divine Liturgy**  
**Procession of the Precious Cross**

## Youth Choir practice today during Coffee Hour

*With warmer weather returning, this is a fitting time to remind ourselves of these things.*

### Church Clothing

*(From Antiochian Department of Marriage & Parish Family Ministry)*

Whenever we are preparing to come to church, we should remember that we will be entering the House of God. This requires that we dress modestly and with reverence. Generally, this will mean that we want to wear our best clothing. **At any age** it is not appropriate to wear shorts, pants that are too casual, short skirts, tight-fitting or transparent garments, garments with low necklines, or strapless tops. Some Orthodox traditions require women to wear dresses or skirts with covered shoulders and backs. Although men are not required to wear a suit and tie, they will want to make an effort to dress as if they were going to an important event. Clothing with logos or printed material distracts others from praying. Some women have the pious tradition of covering their heads. Men and boys must remove their hats when entering the church.

What could be a more important meeting than that with God Himself? The purpose in choosing our clothing wisely is that we model what is important to us by how we dress.

*Feast of*  
*Dormition of the Theotokos*  
*Wednesday, August 14*  
*5:00 pm – All About the Feasts*  
*5:00 pm – Orthros & Divine Liturgy*  
*Followed by festal meal*

*Memory Eternal*

*July 31*

*Sarah Newberry*

*“We have the power of the Holy Cross, our holy symbol, the divine grace of Christ, only as long as we have the holy marking of the Holy Baptism, meaning we have denied the devil and sided with Christ, and received the Holy Marking, the seal of the Gift of the Holy Spirit.” ~ St. Paisios of Athos*