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# Sunday, October 14, 2018 Sunday of Holy Fathers of Seventh Ecumenical Council & Fourth Sunday of Luke

Martyrs Nazarius, Gervasius, Protasius and Celsus of Milan; Cosmas the Hymnographer, Bishop of Maïuma; Venerable Paraskeva of the New of Thrace

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE THREE (Spiral book page 114) -** Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

**APOLYTIKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN TONE EIGHT -** Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

**APOLYTIKION TO ST. MOSES THE BLACK -** Dweller of the desert and angel in the body, you were shown to be a wonder-worker, our God-bearing Father Moses. You received heavenly gifts through fasting, vigil, and prayer: healing the sick and the souls of those drawn to you by faith. Glory to Him who gave you strength! Glory to Him who granted you a crown! Glory to Him who through you grants healing to all!

**ORDINARY KONTAKION IN TONE TWO -** O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

#### THE EPISTLE

## Blessed are Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done. The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to St. Titus. (3:8-15)

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissension, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greetings to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

#### THE GOSPEL

#### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (8:5-15)

The Lord spoke this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when His Disciples asked Him what this parable meant, Jesus said,

"To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As Jesus said this, He called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

#### SERVICE SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 20, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers
Sunday, October 21, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy
Wednesday, October 24, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Parish Council (Ministry Team) Meeting

Saturday, October 27, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers Sunday, October 28, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 3, 2018 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers Sunday, November 4, 2018 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

\*PRAYER LIST - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at Kristina.nicole@me.com or via text or call at 724.493.7213 to add living or departed names to the prayer list.

LIVING- Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest Elias, Archpriest John & Family, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Joseph, Gregory, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Justin, Christopher, Hiromonk Michael, The Sisterhood of St. Nina Monastery, The Brotherhood of St. Moses the Black, The Parishioners of St. George, Deacon Joseph, Shimasee Rebecca, Unborn Child, The Seminarian Paul, Joyce, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, The Painter Family, The Boozer Family, The Wells Family, The Horne Family, The Focus Family, Pearl, Brandon, Isabella, Ashley, Carmen, Timothy, Marcella, George, Eva, The Elderkin Family, John, Emery, Jace and Family, Chris, Maria, Melanie, Tara, Louise, Peter, Julita, Marika, Mary, John, Akxanna, Nicholas, Stephen, David, Jerrel, Nathan, Brooklin, Dylan, Tracy, Joshua, Dustin, Amera, Adam, Moses, Victoria, Tyra, Daniel, Blair, James, Bisrat, Michael, Emma, Deborah, Marianne, James, Haleigh, Cathy, Kathleen, Daniel, Rocco, Diane, Michael, Isiah, Jaquaghn, Jay, Ryan, Sincere, Bleu, Angelo, April, Paul, Dawaan, Jayden, The students of the Pitt/CMU/Duquesne/Waynesburg OCF, Nadine, Elise, Katherine, Anthony, Steven, Tommy, Joanna, David, Esther, Mary, Xenia, Thekla, Alexis, Juliana, Judah, Amy, Arbutus, Alexandra, Aaron, Madelyn, Rachel, William, James, Juliana, Isabel

**DEPARTED** – Bishop Antoun, Archpriest John, Kh. Stephanie, Kh. Joanne, Sylvia Jean, Bern, Gregory, Efthimios, Helen, Daniel, Andre, Joey, Helen, Timothy, Michael

\*\*CONFESSIONS and HOUSE BLESSINGS By Appointment - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy via calling at 412.254.6281 to schedule confession or a meeting.

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<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Happy Birthday! Peter - 10/10