



St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church
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**Sunday, July 23, 2017 – Seventh Sunday After Pentecost &
Seventh Sunday of Matthew**

*Hieromartyr Phocas, Bishop of Sinope; Hieromartyrs Apollinaris and Vitalis, Bishops of Ravenna;
Martyr Apollonius of Rome; Holy Prophet Ezekiel*

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE SIX

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

- Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.

KONTAKION FOR ORDINARY SUNDAYS 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

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance. Until Thee will I cry, O Lord my God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (15:1-7)

Brethren, we who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves; let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to edify him. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached thee fell on me." For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures, we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:27-35)

At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud: "Have mercy on us, Son of David." When He entered the house, the blind men came to Him; and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly charged them, "See that no one knows it." But they went away and spread His fame through all that district. As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to Him. And when the demon had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons." And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

July 22nd – 5:00 PM – Great Vespers

July 23rd – 9:30 AM – Matins and Divine Liturgy

July 29th – 1:00 PM – FAMILY DAY (NO GREAT VESPERS)

July 30th – 9:30 AM – Matins and Divine Liturgy

August 1st – Dormition Fast Begins

August 5th – 5:00 PM – Great Vespers

August 6th – 9:30 AM – Matins and Divine Liturgy for the Feast of Transfiguration

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– Patriarch John, Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Elias, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Joseph, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Hiromonk Michael, The Sisterhood of St. Nina Monastery, The Sisterhood of Pandanassa Monastery, The Sisterhood of St. Elias Monastery, Gregory, Justin, Christopher, Joseph, Rebecca, Rodger, Joyce, Sister Janice, The Painter Family, The Boozer Family, The Wells Family, The Horne Family, Pearl, Brandon, Isabella, Ashley, Carmen, Timothy, Marcella, Cassie, George, Eva, The Elderkin Family, Billy, Daniel, Leisa, John, Jeff, Emery

FOCUS Prayer List – The Focus Family, Kane, Beverly, Jace and Family, Ericka, Ryder, Chris, Maria, Melanie, Jann, Tamaira and her unborn child, James-Brian, Valentina and her unborn child.

DEPARTED – Archpriest John, Kh. Stephanie, Kh. Joanne, Monica, Andre, Joey

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

DONATIONS

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