



St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church

St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church
Rev. Paul Abernathy, Pastor
412.254.6281 www.stmosesonthehill.com
stmosestheblackpgh@gmail.com

Sunday, June 13, 2021

**Sunday of the After-feast of the Ascension Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the
First Ecumenical Council Martyr Aquilina of Byblos in Syria; Antipater, bishop of Bostra
in Arabia; Triphyllios, bishop of Nicosia in Cyprus**

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

Verse: Clap your hands, all ye nations; shout unto God with a voice of rejoicing. For the Lord Most High is terrible; a great King over all the earth.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Verse: He hath subdued peoples under us, and the nations under our feet. God is gone up in jubilation, the Lord with the voice of the trumpet. (Refrain)

Glory... Both now... (Refrain)

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

Verse: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our God, in His holy mountain. The mountains of Sion on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who didst rise from us in glory to the heavens; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

God is known in her towers when He cometh to help her. (Refrain)

For lo, the kings of the earth were assembled; they came together. (Refrain)

Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

Hear this, all ye nations; give ear, all ye that inhabit the world. My mouth shall speak wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. I will incline mine ear unto a parable; I will unfold my problem on the psalter.

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAYS *Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.*

Now sing these apolytikia in the following order.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE SIX (Spiral Book Page 118) *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.*

APOLYTIKION OF THE ASCENSION IN TONE FOUR *Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing that Thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.*

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!*

KONTAKION OF THE ASCENSION IN TONE SIX - *When Thou didst fulfill Thy dispensation for our sakes, uniting the terrestrials with the celestials, Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, inseparable in space, but constant without separation, and crying unto Thy beloved: I am with you, and no one shall be against you.*

THE EPISTLE

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all Thou hast done to us.

The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (20:16-18, 28-36)

In those days, Paul was determined to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening, if possible, to be at Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the priests of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you bishops, to shepherd the church of the Lord and God, which He purchased with His own blood. For I know that after my departure ravenous wolves will enter among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore, remain watchful, remembering that for three years I did not cease to admonish every one, night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by such laboring we ought to help the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He Himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down on his knees with them all, and prayed.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (17:1-13)

At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ Whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest Me to do; and now, Father, glorify Thou Me in Thy own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made. I have manifested Thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest Me out of the world; Thine they were, and Thou gavest them to Me, and they have kept Thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given Me is from Thee; for I have given them the words which Thou gavest Me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine; all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy Name, which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy Name, which Thou have given Me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves."

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 15, 2021 - 7:30 AM - Weekly Liturgy

Wednesday, June 16, 2021 - 4:45 PM - Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 16, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Weekly Vespers

Saturday, June 19, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, June 20, 2021 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy for Pentecost

Sunday, June 20, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Kneeling Vespers

Monday, June 21, 2021 - 9:00 AM - Baptism of Andrea Danko

Tuesday, June 22, 2021 - 7:30 AM - Weekly Liturgy

Wednesday, June 23, 2021 - Vespers TBD

Saturday, June 26, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, June 27, 2021 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

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

LIVING— Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Moses, Matuska Magdalena, Archpriest George & Family, Priest Martin, Kh. Melinda, Majesta, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Justin, Cristopher, Pres. Beth, Hieromonk Alexi, Deacon John, Shimashee Brenda, Deacon Abraham, Shimashee Laurie, The Sisterhood of the Transfiguration Monastery, The Seminarian Paul, The Seminarian Alexandros, Rachel, Caroline, Melania, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, Pearl, Brandon, Isabella, Marcella, Peter, Julitta, David, Jerrel, Moses, Xenia, Thekla, Tracy, Joshua, Dustin, Amera, Adam, Moses, Hanni, The Khalil Family, Michael, Maria, Ana, Mary, Macrina, Tobiah Basil, Ron, Arbutus, Pani Kathy, Che, Diane, Carletta, Angela, Tyra, Gabriel, Staci, Antoine, Daniel, Emma, Deborah, Gus, Marianne, James, Cathy, Daniel, James, Taili, Angela, The students of the Pitt/CMU/Duquesne/Waynesburg OCF, Alexandra, Nadine, Elise, Katherine, Anthony, Steven, Tommy, Joanna, Alexis, Juliana, Judah, Nikola, Katherine, June, Mark, Sophie, Abbie, Katie, Wayne, Samuel, Karen & Family, Thomas, Gabby, Ashley & Family, John, Oxanna, Willie Jean, Yeshi, Abel, Abeba and Family, Sharon and Family, Nashwa Family, Maher, Jennifer, Michael and Family, Larry, Carmen, Andy, Courtney & Family, Peter, Marion, Nezhla, Maria, Darlene and Raymond, Andy, Rose Ellen, Diane, Irene & The Zervos Family, Peggy and Justin, Shelley and Jeff, Mary and John

DEPARTED – Newly Departed Thomas

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

DONATIONS - Please make your offerings as follows: Checks made payable to St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church. Donations can be placed in the donation box in the front of the church.

Celebrations - Susan (June 13th)