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Sunday, June 30, 2019 The Synaxis ("Gathering") of the Twelve Apostles

Martyr Peter of Sinope; New-martyr Michael the Gardener of Athens

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE (Spiral Book Page 112) - While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

APOLYTIKION OF THE SYNAXIS IN TONE THREE - O Holy Apostles, intercede with our merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of sins.

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 ALL SAINTS IN TONE EIGHT - As first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, * the world presenteth the God-bearing martyred Saints in off'ring unto Thee, O Lord. * Through their earnest entreaties, * keep Thy Church in deep peace and divine tranquility, * through the pure Theotokos, O Thou Who art greatly merciful.

THE EPISTLE

Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth. The heavens show forth the glory of God. The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:9-16)

Brethren, I think that God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the scourge of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. Though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:36-10:8)

At that time, when Jesus saw the crowds, He had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then He said to His Disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." And He called to Him His twelve Disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every infirmity. The names of the twelve Apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him. These twelve Jesus sent out, charging them,

"Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And preach as you go, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying, give without pay."

KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) FOR THE SYNAXIS IN TONE EIGHT - Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. Alleluia

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 30, 2019 - 5:00 PM - Youth Night

Wednesday, July 3, 2019 - 6:00 PM - Week Day Vespers
Saturday, July 6, 2019 - NO GREAT VESPERS
Sunday, July 7, 2019 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy
Monday, July 8, 2019 - 5:30 PM - Orthodox Teen Fellowship Gathering

Wednesday, July 10, 2019 - 6:00 PM - Week Day Vespers Saturday, July 13, 2019 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers Sunday, July 14, 2019 - 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 James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Hieromonk Michael, Deacon John, The Brotherhood of St. Moses the Black, The Parishioners of St. George, The Seminarian Paul, Emmanuel, Melissa, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, The Focus Family, Pearl, Brandon, Isabella, Marcella, Peter, Julitta, David, Jerrel, Thekla, Tracy, Joshua, Dustin, Amera, Adam, Moses, Ramey, The Khalil Family, Michael, Maria, Ana, Mary, Macrina, Tobiah Basil, Victoria, Tyra, Lamar, Bisrat, James, Maurice, Gladys, Emma, Deborah, Marianne, James, Haleigh, Cathy, Kathleen, Daniel, Rocco, The students of the Pitt/CMU/Duquesne/Waynesburg OCF, Nadine, Elise, Katherine, Anthony, Steven, Tommy, Joanna, David, Esther, Juliana, Mary, Frank, Alexis, Juliana, Judah, Fidelia, Katherine, Kammy, Andrea, Xenia, Mark, Sophie, Abbie, Katie, Elizabeth, Jennifer, Tieke, Samuel, Karen & Family

DEPARTED – Kh. Stephanie, Oveniause, Tesfagiorgis

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