

**MYRRHBEARER AND EQUAL OF THE APOSTLES  
MARY MAGDALENE**

The Gospel relates that Mary followed after the Lord, when He went with the Apostles through the cities and villages of Judea and Galilee preaching about the Kingdom of God. Together with the pious women Joanna, wife of Choza (steward of Herod), Susanna and others, she served Him from her own possessions (Luke 8:1-3) and undoubtedly shared with the apostles the evangelic tasks in common with the other women. The Evangelist Luke, evidently, has her in view together with the other women, stating that at the moment of the Procession of Christ onto Golgatha, when after the Scourging He took on Himself the heavy Cross, collapsing under its weight, the women followed after Him weeping and wailing, but He consoled them. While all the disciples of the Savior ran away at the Crucifixion, she remained fearlessly at the Cross together with the Mother of God and the Apostle John.

Holy Scripture does not tell us about the life of Mary Magdalene after the Resurrection of Christ, but she must have stayed with the Theotokos and St. John during the happier times after the Resurrection and Ascension of Christ. Thus, in the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke writes that all the apostles with one mind stayed in prayer and supplication, with certain women and Mary the Mother of Jesus and His brethren.

Holy Tradition testifies that when the Apostles departed from Jerusalem to preach to all the ends of the earth, then Mary Magdalene also went with them. A daring woman, she went beyond her native borders and went to preach in pagan Rome. Everywhere she proclaimed to the people about Christ and His teaching. Many did not believe that Christ is risen, so she repeated to them what she had said to the apostles on the radiant morning of the Resurrection: "I have seen the Lord!" With this message she went all over Italy.

She remained in Rome until the arrival of the Apostle Paul, and for two more years following his departure. From Rome, St. Mary, already bent with age, moved to Ephesus where the Apostle John unceasingly labored. There she finished her earthly life and was buried.

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## ***EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***

***Holy Myrrhbearer and Equal-to-the-Apostles Mary Magdalene;  
Translation of the Relics of Hieromartyr Phocas, Bishop of Sinopé;  
Repose of Ven. Cornelius of Pereyasavl'; Martyr Marcella of Chios***

“Today, let us sing a special hymn in honor of that friend of the Lord who was the first to anoint Him in death. Let us praise Mary Magdalene for being the messenger of joy for His disciples, and let us fall before the Lord Himself, filled with wonder, that He should lavish on the world such a fountain of grace.”

Kondakion, Tone III

“By sharing in the ways of the Apostles, you became a successor to their throne. Through the practice of virtue, you found the way to divine contemplation, O inspired one of God; by teaching the word of truth without error, you defended the Faith, even to the shedding of your blood. Hieromartyr Phocas, entreat Christ God to save our souls.”

Troparion, Tone IV

TODAY'S EPISTLE: I CORINTHIANS 1:10-18

TODAY'S GOSPEL: MATTHEW 14:14-22

### **HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:**

Today, July 22

Saturday, July 28

11:30 a.m. One-Year Memorial Prayers for Daria Petrykowski

5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions

### **Daily Scripture Readings**

Monday, July 23

Tuesday, July 24

(Sts. Boris and Gleb)

Wednesday, July 25

(St. Anna)

Thursday, July 26

Friday, July 27

(St. Panteleimon)

Saturday, July 28

I Corinthians 11:31-12:6

I Corinthians 12:12-26

Romans 8:28-39

I Corinthians 13:4-14:5

I Corinthians 14:6-19

Galatians 4:22-31

Philippians 3:7-14

I Corinthians 14:26-40

II Timothy 2:1-10

Romans 14:6-9

Matthew 18:1-11

Matthew 18:18-22; 19:1-2,13-15

John 15:17-16:2

Matthew 20:1-16

Matthew 20:17-28

Luke 8:16-21

Mark 10:29-31,42-45

Matthew 21:12-14,17-20

John 15:17-16:2

Matthew 15:32-39

**ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY**

**COMING EVENTS**

**JULY:**

23-27 All-American Council in St. Louis, MO

**AUGUST:**

13, Monday 12:30 p.m. St. Elizabeth Book Circle  
20, Monday 7:00 p.m. Parish Council meeting  
26, Sunday Bishop Paul visit to HTOC  
Parish Picnic

**AAC:**

The 19th All-American Council will be held next week, July 23-27, in St. Louis. Fr. Alexander and Council President MaryAnn Bobulsky will attend.

**IF NEEDED:**

If a pastoral emergency arises while Fr. Alexander is away, please contact Fr. Yves Babich at 216-524-6832.

**ST. ELIZABETH BOOK CIRCLE:**

The Book Circle will meet Monday, August 13, at 12:30 p.m. We will be reading a few selected pages from Chapter 4 of Exodus, as well as pages 171-194 and 206-211 in Chapter 5. All are welcome.

**ST. PANTELEIMON FEAST DAY:**

There will be a Great Vespers service with Blessing of 5 Loaves at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, 6:30 p.m., on the eve of St. Panteleimon Feast Day, Thursday, July 26. The church is located at 2101 Quail St. in Lakewood.

**BAPTISM:**

Jack Nicholas Haoui will be baptized next Sunday, July 29, at 12:30 p.m.

**TRINITARIAN COVERS AND FLOWERS:**

The covers and flowers today are offered by Jerry Petrykowski in memory of Daria.

God is the creating, living and life-giving Wisdom,  
therefore, those greatly sin who, by the thoughts of their spirit,  
turn aside from the Wisdom of the Trinity and occupy themselves  
with material, perishable things, thus materializing their spirit itself.

Especially do those sin who,  
during Divine Service in the church or during prayers at home,  
entirely turn aside in their thoughts from God  
and allow their minds to wander in different places outside the church.

By doing so, they greatly offend God  
upon Whom our minds should be fixed.

**THE GIFTS WE OFFER TO THE LORD WE LOVE**

REGULAR COLLECTION, JULY 15	\$ 3293.00
CHURCH ADMINISTRATION ASSESSMENT	76.00
BUILDING FUND	180.00
MORTGAGE FUND	65.00
CANDLES	125.00

## ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY

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### THE 19<sup>TH</sup> ALL-AMERICAN COUNCIL

This week Fr. Alexander and Parish Council President MaryAnn Bobulsky are going to St. Louis, Missouri, as delegates of our parish to the 19<sup>th</sup> All-American Council of the Orthodox Church in America. We are glad that several other Holy Trinity parishioners will also be representing our parish. Here is how Metropolitan Tikhon, in his letter announcing the Council, describes the importance of the event.

Every three years, the bishops, clergy and lay delegates of the Orthodox Church in America assemble as the highest legislative and administrative authority to make decisions on the life of our local Church. As we convene the 19<sup>th</sup> All-American Council - the 32<sup>nd</sup> conciliar gathering of the Orthodox Church in North America - we should reflect on the fact that it was our former Archpastor, St. Tikhon the Confessor of Moscow and Enlightener of our lands, who put forth the vision of a conciliar gathering of bishops, priests and laity, each using their unique treasures to chart a path for the continued witness and expansion of Orthodox Christianity in North America.

His Beatitude's words remind us that the All-American Council has two important goals. It is both an *administrative gathering* and the *witness of pastoral vision*. That the All-American Council is a gathering of bishops, priests and laity may not strike us as anything but self-evident. However, it has not always been that way. Historically, rigid imperial and hierarchical structures greatly restricted, and even eliminated, the role of the laity in the institutional life of the Church. As Metropolitan Tikhon pointed out, it was St. Tikhon who first included laity in a Church council. That was in 1907 at Mayfield, PA. That laity were included in discussions and decisions about the Church was a major breakthrough and not welcomed by all. But the course was set, and it was a precursor for the All-Russian Church Council of 1917-18. At that Council, as if by divine providence, St. Tikhon was elected Patriarch of All Russia.

The past hundred years have seen challenges everywhere, including the life of the Orthodox Church. Today's challenges, big and small, were not imagined even ten years ago. But the Church's core faith in Our Lord, Jesus Christ does not change. Earnestly keeping our faith and adapting it to the 21<sup>st</sup> century is a complex process, involving many factors. Councils such as this All-American Council are an important part of that. Perhaps most important is that we gather around, and focus on, Our Lord. As Metropolitan Tikhon states, "Let us call to remembrance the centrality of Jesus Christ to absolutely every part of our existence as Christians and as authentic human beings. Christ is the King of Glory Who is enthroned upon the altar, which also represents His tomb. It is around this tomb and this altar that we gather to worship and glorify Him."

*Fr. Alexander Garklaus*

Note: Metropolitan Tikhon's letter and other important Council documents are easily obtained on the OCA website ([oca.org](http://oca.org)). Parishioners are encouraged to take a look.