

***ST. PETER,  
THE PRINCE OF ORDINSK, ROSTOV***

St. Peter, Prince of the Horde, was the nephew of Bergai Khan of the Golden Horde. In the year 1253, St. Cyril, Bishop of Rostov, went to the Horde to petition for church needs in his diocese; and he told the khan about the Christian Faith, and of the miracles and healings worked by the relics of St. Leontius of Rostov. Among the retinue was the young nephew of the khan, upon whom the holy bishop made a very strong impression.

After some length of time, the son of Bergai fell ill. Remembering the account of the Russian bishop about the healings, he summoned St. Cyril, and through his prayers, the sick one was healed. The khan richly rewarded St. Cyril and sent him off to his diocese.

Along the way, the nephew of Bergai Khan overtook the holy hierarch and entreated him to take him along to Rostov. At Rostov the boy was baptized with the name Peter, and he married. St. Peter distinguished himself with a love for silence, contemplation and prayer. After a miraculous appearance to him of the Apostles Peter and Paul, he built a monastery near Lake Nera in their honor. After the death of his wife, shortly before his own death in 1290, the saint embraced monasticism at the monastery he had founded.

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JUNE 30, 2019

## **SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*All Saints Of America*

*All Saints of Russia*

*Synaxis of the Holy Glorious and All-Praised Twelve Apostles:*

*Peter, Andrew, James and John, the sons of Zebedee, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas,  
Matthew, James, the son of Alphæus, Jude, Simon the Zealot, and Matthias;*

*St. Peter, Prince of Ordinsk;*

*Translation of the Relics of St. Sophrony, Bishop of Irkutsk;*

*The "Balykinskaya" Icon of the Most-Holy Theotokos*

"Today the choir of Saints who were pleasing to God in the lands of North America now stands before us in the Church and invisibly prays to God for us. With them the angels glorify Him, and all the saints of the Church of Christ keep festival with them; and together they all pray for us to the Pre-Eternal God."

Kondakion, Tone III

"Today Christ the Rock glorifies with highest honor Peter, the rock of faith and leader of the Apostles, together with Paul and the company of the twelve, whose memory we celebrate with eagerness of faith, giving glory to the One Who gave glory to them."

Kondakion, Tone II

TODAY'S EPISTLE: ROMANS 2:10-16  
HEBREWS 11:33-12:2

TODAY'S GOSPEL: MATTHEW 4:18-23  
MATTHEW 4:25-5:12

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

Today, June 30                      2:00 p.m. Baptism of Zoe Diana Griebel  
Saturday, July 6                      5:00 p.m. Great Vespers

### **Daily Scripture Readings**

|                              |                                       |   |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Monday, July 1<br>(Apostles) | Romans 7:1-13<br>I Corinthians 4:9-16 | Matthew 9:36-10:8<br>Mark 3:13-19         |
| Tuesday, July 2              | Romans 7:14-8:2                       | Matthew 10:9-15                           |
| Wednesday, July 3            | Romans 8:2-13                         | Matthew 10:16-22                          |
| Thursday, July 4             | Romans 8:22-27<br>Romans 9:6-19       | Matthew 10:23-31<br>Matthew 10:32-36;11:1 |
| Friday, July 5               | Galatians 5:22-6:2                    | Luke 6:17-23                              |
| Saturday, July 6             | Romans 3:28-4:3                       | Matthew 7:24-8:4                          |

**COMING EVENTS**

**JULY:**

8, Monday                    12:30 p.m. St. Elizabeth Book Circle  
28, Sunday                    Parish Picnic

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Fr. Alexander will be away July 3-19. Fr. Yves Babich will be presiding at the liturgical services on the weekends of July 7 and 14. Should parishioners have pastoral issues during weekdays, please call Fr. John Memorich (office: 440-526-5192; home: 216-524-9795).

**PARISH PICNIC:**

The Annual Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, July 28, following the Divine Liturgy. Help and donations will be appreciated, and pot-luck items of salads, side dishes and desserts are needed. The sign-up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall.

**TRINITARIAN COVERS:**

The covers today are offered by Steve and Janene Hatch.

**FLOWERS:**

The flowers are offered by Pat and Harvey Schwartz.

**HELP NEEDED:**

For the past several years our parish has graciously provided use of our parking lot to our neighbors at Pokrova Ukrainian Catholic Church during the weekend of their Annual Festival. This year it will be on August 2-4. Our own parishioners were on site at our parking lot, overseeing and directing cars. As we have lost some of our regular volunteers, we are appealing for help for this year's festival. Please see coordinator Mark Karpowicz for more information.

**ST. ELIZABETH BOOK CIRCLE:**

The St. Elizabeth Book Circle will meet Monday, July 8, at 12:30 p.m. We will discuss pages 180-194, the chapters on Love for One's Neighbor and on Divine Providence. All are welcome.

**COFFEE HOUR:**

We are in great need of donors for **next Sunday, July 7!** We also need donors for August 4, 18, and 25. As always, your help is greatly appreciated.

*True Christian Life is the Life of Grace*

*"Life is the strength to act.*

*Spiritual life is the strength to act spiritually, according to the will of God.*

*Man has lost this strength; therefore, until it is restored to him,*

*he cannot live spiritually, no matter how much he intends to.*

*That is why the flow of grace into the soul of a believer is essential for a true Christian life.*

*True Christian life is the life of grace.*

*A man makes some religious resolution: but in order to be able to act according to it,*

*it is necessary that grace be united with his spirit.*

*When this union is present,*

*moral strength, hitherto evident only temporarily in his first enthusiasm,*

*is impressed on his spirit and remains there always.*

*This re-establishment of the moral strength of the spirit is effected by the regeneration action of baptism, through which man is granted justification and the strength to act*

*'after God in righteousness and true holiness.'" (Ephesians 4:24)*

**THE SAINTS AMONG US -**  
**ALL SAINTS OF RUSSIA AND NORTH AMERICA**

Last week, the Sunday after Pentecost, the Church commemorated All Saints. On that day, all known canonized, as well as those unknown, holy men and women from every nation and land, and from the beginning of time up to our time, were honored with special remembrance and formal liturgical hymns and prayers. Today, on this Second Sunday after Pentecost, Orthodox Church calendars indicate “All Saints of Russia” and/or “All Saints of North America,” or maybe even another nation. The commemoration of All Saints is a natural extension of Pentecost, as they represent the cumulative results in human form of the acquisition of the Holy Spirit. But why on this week the Saints of Russia and/or North America?

The original idea of celebrating All Saints of Russia came about in the 16<sup>th</sup> century at a time when the Russian Church was achieving its self-governing independence. It was formally adopted at the 1917-18 Russian Church Council. This was the Council at which St. Tikhon, former ruling bishop of the North American Diocese, was elected as Patriarch. In planning for a long time, the Council was also to initiate significant church reforms. Unfortunately, it became impossible for any reforms to be enacted. Russia was in the midst of great revolutionary upheaval. Bishops and priests were being executed even while the Council was in session in Moscow. But among the resolutions that did come out of the Council was the decision to honor All Saints of Russia on the Second Sunday after Pentecost, one week after the commemoration of All Saints. Persecution of the Church was only beginning and would increase. It was foreseen that people would be subjected to forms of repression, imprisonment, torture and executions. To counter this, members of the Council hoped that a remembrance of the legacy of Russian piety and sanctity would be of spiritual and emotional benefit. There were already, by 1917, hundreds of canonized saints, and that number would increase exponentially during the remainder of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. A full liturgical service was prepared, as were special icons of All the Saints of Russia.

Other Churches began to follow the Russian Church by designating the Second Sunday after Pentecost as commemoration of saints of a region; for example, All Saints of Bulgaria, or of Romania. As most of our North American Saints were of Russian background, their names are included with those of All Saints of Russia. After acquiring autocephaly in 1970, the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America established the commemoration of All Saints of North America, for which a special tropar and hymns were prepared. Several Icons of the North American Saints now exist, and our own parish has an entire wall dedicated to them. In addition to the twelve North American Saints who are depicted on the wall of our church, there is another saint recently canonized. He is St. Basil (Vasilii) Martysz, who came from Poland in 1900 as priest for assignments in Alaska and Pennsylvania. He returned to Poland to serve parishes and also as a Chaplain for Orthodox soldiers in the Polish army. He died under tragic circumstances shortly before the end of World War II. He was officially canonized by the Polish Orthodox Church in 2003. As his pastoral activity included service in North America, our Orthodox Church in America considers him also one of the North American Saints. He is commemorated on May 4.

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# JULY 2019

| <b>Sun</b>   | <b>Mon</b>                                       | <b>Tue</b> | <b>Wed</b> | <b>Thu</b> | <b>Fri</b> | <b>Sat</b>   |
|--|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|--|
|  | 1  | 2          | 3          | 4          | 5          | 6<br><br>5:00 p.m.<br>Great Vespers                  |
| <b>7 3rd Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>All Saints of Britain and Ireland                       | 8<br><br>12:30 p.m.<br>St. Elizabeth Book Circle | 9          | 10         | 11         | 12         | 13<br><br>5:00 p.m.<br>Great Vespers                 |
| <b>14 4th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>Holy Fathers of First Six Ecumenical Councils          | 15   | 16         | 17         | 18         | 19         | 20<br><br>5:00 p.m.<br>Great Vespers                 |
| <b>21 5th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>Prophet Ezekiel  | 22   | 23         | 24         | 25         | 26         | 27<br><br>5:00 p.m.<br>Great Vespers;<br>Confessions |
| <b>28 6th Sunday after Pentecost</b><br>Holy Apostles of the Seventy<br><br>HTOC Parish Picnic | 29   | 30         | 31         |            |            |  |