

## Sts. Peter & Paul Antiochian Orthodox Church

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**His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America**

**His Grace Bishop BASIL, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Wichita and Mid-America**

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**June 3, 2018**

### All Saints Sunday

Martyrs Lucillian of Byzantium and the children Claudius, Hypatius, Paul and Dionysius; Martyr Paula the Virgin of Nicomedia;

Venerable Athanasios the Wonderworker of Cilicia; Clotilde, Queen of the Franks

**Resurrectional Apolytikion (Tone 8):** From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

**Apolytikion of All Saints (Tone 4):** Thy Church, O Christ God, hath regaled herself in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout the entire world, as in porphyry and purple. Through them she lifteth her voice crying: Turn with Thy compassion toward Thy people, and grant peace to Thy city, and to our souls the Great Mercy.

**Apolytikion of Sts. Peter & Paul (Tone 4):** O first-enthroned of the Apostles, teachers of the universe, entreat the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to thy souls.

**Kontakion of All Saints (Tone 4):** As first-fruits of our nature to the Planter of created things, the world presenteth the God-bearing martyred Saints in offering 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.

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### ✠ LITURGICAL SCHEDULE ✠

Saturday: 5:45 pm - 9th Hour // 6:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday: 9:00 am - Orthros // 10:00 am - Divine Liturgy

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**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS:** Our Sunday service is the Divine Liturgy. While all are welcome to attend this service, we ask that you refrain from coming to receive Holy Communion unless you are of the Orthodox Faith and are properly prepared through prayer, fasting and the Sacrament of Confession.

### Coming Up

Mon., June 11 Parish Council Meeting, 6:30 pm

Thur., June 28 Great Vespers, 6:00 pm (Sts. Peter & Paul)

Fri., June 29 Divine Liturgy, 6:00 pm (Sts. Peter & Paul)

### *Epistle Reading --Hebrews (11:33-12:2)*

Brethren, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated – of whom the world was not worthy – wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfection of our faith.

### *Gospel Reading*

#### **The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30)**

The Lord said to His disciples, “Everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father Who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who does not take his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me.” Then Peter said in reply, “Lo, we have left everything and followed Thee. What then shall we have?” Jesus said to them, “Truly, I say to you, in the New World, when the Son of Man shall sit on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My Name’s sake, will receive a hundred fold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first.”