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COMMEMORATION OF THE
HOLY, GLORIOUS AND
ALL-PRAISED LEADERS
OF THE APOSTLES, PETER
AND PAUL .

JULY 12TH / JUNE 29TH, 2020

DIVINE LITURGY AT 10AM

Christ is in our Midst!
He is, and ever shall be!

THE MARTYROLOGY

The date is announced, and the Saints commemorated are named, ending with:

℣. And elsewhere in diverse places, many other holy martyrs, confessors, and holy virgins.

℟. Thanks be to God.

℣. Precious in the sight of the Lord.

℟. Is the death of His Saints.

Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the intercession of the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, and of all the holy apostles, martyrs, confessors, virgins, and of all Thine elect, may everywhere gladden us, that, while we commemorate their merits, we may experience their protection. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CHAPTER

HEAR, O Lord Jesus Christ, the prayers of Thy servants, and have mercy upon us. Who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, unto the ages of ages. **Amen.**

May the blessing ✠ of the eternal Father rest upon us always. **Amen.**

The LESSON from the first Epistle of blessed Peter the Apostle.

1st Peter 3:8 – 15.

⁸ Finally, all *of you be* of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, *be* tenderhearted, *be [humble];*
⁹ not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing.

¹⁰ For “He who would love life and see good days, let him [restrain] his tongue from evil, And his lips from speaking deceit.

¹¹ Let him turn away from evil and do good;
Let him seek peace and pursue it. ¹² For the
eyes of the Lord *are* on the righteous, And
His ears *are open* to their prayers; But the
face of the Lord is against those who do
evil.”

¹³ And who is he who will harm you if you
become followers of what is good? ¹⁴ But
even if you should suffer for righteousness’
sake, *you are* blessed. “And do not be afraid
of their threats, nor be troubled.” ¹⁵ But [set
aside] [Christ as Lord] in your hearts, and
always *be* ready to *give* a defense to everyone
who asks you a reason for the hope that is in
you, with meekness and fear;

But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.
Thanks be to God.

THE ASPERSIONS

THE INTROIT

[Anglican Chant]

Ps. 138:1—2. [A] LORD, Thou hast proved me, and ↑known me: [B] Thou hast known my sitting down, and my rising ↑up. [C] The steadfast and divinely eloquent preachers,/ the foremost of Thine apostles, O ↑Lord,/ [D] hast Thou received into the delight of Thy good things and into ↑rest;/ [C] for Thou hast accepted their pangs and death as greater than any whole burnt ↑offering, // [D] O Thou Who alone knows the hearts of ↑men.

℣. [A] Glory to the Father, and to the ↑ Son; [B] and to the Holy ↑Spirit; [C] as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever ↑shall be, [D] and unto ages of ages. A↑men.

THE KYRIE

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

THE COLLECT

O God, Who hast consecrated this day to the martyrdom of Thine Apostles Peter and Paul: grant to Thy Church, in all things, to follow their teaching, from whom it received the right ordering of religion in the beginning. And this we ask through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord, ✠ Who lives and reigns with Thee, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, unto all ages of ages. Amen.

THE EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 11:16 – 12:9.

**The Lesson from the Epistle of blessed
Paul the Apostle to the Corinthians.**

Thanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL

[Plain Chant]

THEIR SOUND hath gone forth into ↑all the earth. The heavens show forth the glory ↓of God. O foremost in the ranks of Apostles †, and teachers of the world, Peter ↑and Paul: intercede with the Master of all to grant peace unto the world, and to our souls the Great ↓Mercy. THEIR SOUND hath gone forth into ↑all the earth. The heavens show forth the glory ↓of God.

✠ The Continuation of the **HOLY GOSPEL**

✠ according to St. Matthew.

St. Matt. 16:13 – 19.

Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

Praise be to Thee, O Christ!

THE HOMILY

THE CREED

THE LITANY OF SUPPLICATION (*Missalette*)

The Lord be with you.

Ans: And with thy spirit!

Let us pray.

O LORD our God, look down from Thy Holy Heaven on the supplications of us, Thy sinful and unworthy servants, who have angered Thy graciousness by our transgressions, and yet, have provoked thy deep compassion: enter not, we beseech Thee, into judgement with Thy servants, but turn aside Thy fearsome anger that hath justly seized us. In Thy mercy, hold back thy terrible sword that, although invisible, hath cut us asunder, and spare Thy poor and needy servants with the staying of this pestilence. Most kindhearted, condescending, and accommodating Creator:

enclose not with death, the souls of us who fall before Thee in repentance with broken hearts and tears.

FOR THINE it is to show mercy and to save us, O Lord, and unto Thee do we send up glory: ✠ to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. **Amen.**

Again, let us pray to the Lord saying:

Lord have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

*Petitions added by direction of the Holy
Synod*

Again, we pray, that our Lord and Savior, might preserve the Orthodox Church throughout the world in unity and piety, and grant unto her peace, tranquility, love, and accord, let us ask of the Lord:

Again we pray, that Christ our God might look down upon the Holy Orthodox Church with kind-heartedness and mercy, and preserve Her from divisions and schisms, from enmity and strife: That Her unity might be neither diminished nor shaken, but that in Her, Thy Thrice-Holy name might be glorified, let us ask of the Lord:

Again we pray Thee, O Lord our God, that Thou mightest mercifully protect us from the devastating pestilence stirred up against us, and deliver Thy faithful people from spiritual and physical death; grant unto the sick healing and health, and unto all of us Thy divine protection and help; we pray Thee, O kind-hearted Lord, quickly hearken and have mercy.

Again, we pray, that Thou mightest pacify the troubles of men and every fearful thing, compass Thy faithful about with firm hope, and instill in our hearts quietude; we pray Thee, O Lord, hearken and have mercy.

THE OFFERTORY HYMN

Two stalwart trees both root-ed in faith and ho-ly love; by hope of God u-nit-ed they reach to heaven a-bove.

One on a cross is mar-tyred, one by the sword is slain; both tri-umph in their dy-ing, both glorious saint-hood gain.

The words of Paul as-sure us of Christ's re-deem-ing word; the works of Pe-ter show us how we may serve the Lord.

Twin olive-branches pouring the oil of gladness forth; Your holy prayers shall aid us, that we may see the Lord.

THE SECRET PRAYER

MAY THE PRAYER of Thine apostles, O Lord, accompany the sacrifice which we offer to the be consecrated to Thy Name, and through it do Thou grant us to be pardoned and defended. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ Thy Son, who lives and reigns with Thee in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, unto all ages of ages. Amen.

THE PREFACE

[For Holy Apostles]

THE POST-COMMUNION COLLECTS

Preserve, O Lord, from all dangers, by the intercession of Thine apostles, those whom Thou hast filled with heavenly nourishment. Through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord, ✠ Who lives and reigns with Thee, in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, unto the ages of ages. **Amen.**

BLESSING OF THE FAITHFUL

THE LAST GOSPEL

THE PETITION TO OUR LADY

(See the Missal)

Then the priest says:

℣. Pray for us, All-Holy Theotokos!

℟. That we may be found worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, Who by the co-operation of the Holy Spirit didst prepare the body and soul of the glorious Virgin Mother Mary, to become an habitation meet for Thy Son: grant that as we rejoice in her commemoration; we may be delivered from our present evils and from eternal death. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

May the Divine Assistance ✠ remain always, with us and our absent brethren. **Amen.**

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