

VENERABLE MACARIUS OF ALEXANDRIA

Sunday 22nd of January

Epistle Reading: 1 Timothy 1:15-17

Gospel Reading: Luke 18:35-43

Troparion — Tone 4

Having learned goodness and maintaining continence in all things, / you were arrayed with a good conscience as befits a priest. / From the chosen Vessel you drew ineffable mysteries; / you kept the faith and finished a course equal to His. / Bishop martyr Timothy, entreat Christ God that our souls may be saved.

We pray for our entire church family and those who do not have a family or church family, and our special prayers are for the sick and suffering and for the health and salvation of others:

The Archpriests Samuel and Joseph, Archimandrite Joseph, Protospesbyter Christos, the priest Gregory, Mark Benda, Matushka Ellen, Emily Anastasia, Gabriel, Zoe, Nadine, Michelle, Anastasia, Sophia Eptamenitis, Edward, Taisa, Konstance Engelsman, Maria Higginbotham, Valentina Bobrowski, Anna Konoleva, Erika Dobrzynski, Douglas Dobrzynski, Andrew John Lihou, Marie Biancarelli, Joshua and Daniel Buccieri, Emma Matthews, Stephanie, Kristy, Victor Szemetylo, Helen, Bonnie Shaffner, Helen Schweizer, Zoran Pejovic, Sunny Hunsicker, Ioana, Carmen, Michael, John, Sarah, Linda, Pamela Anne and Kimberly Marie. Amen!!!

*** To amend the prayer list, speak with Mary Osinski***

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APOSTLE TIMOTHY OF THE SEVENTY - The Holy Apostle Timothy was from the Lycaonian city of Lystra in Asia Minor. Saint Timothy was converted to Christ in the year 52 by the holy Apostle Paul (June 29). When the Apostles Paul and Barnabas first visited the cities of Lycaonia, Saint Paul healed one crippled from birth. Many of the inhabitants of Lystra then believed in Christ, and among them was the future Saint Timothy, his mother Eunice and grandmother Loida (Lois) (Acts 14:6-12; 2 Tim. 1:5). The seed of faith, planted in Saint Timothy's soul by the Apostle Paul, brought forth abundant fruit. He became Saint Paul's disciple, and later his constant companion and co-worker in the preaching of the Gospel. The Apostle Paul loved Saint Timothy and, in his Epistles, called him his beloved son, remembering his devotion and fidelity with gratitude. He wrote to Timothy: "You have followed my teaching, way of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, and patience" (2 Tim. 3:10-11). The Apostle Paul appointed Saint Timothy as Bishop of Ephesus, where the saint remained for fifteen years. Finally, when Saint Paul was in prison and awaiting martyrdom, he summoned his faithful friend, Saint Timothy, for a last farewell (2 Tim. 4:9). Saint Timothy ended his life as a martyr. The pagans of Ephesus celebrated a festival in honor of their idols, and used to carry them through the city, accompanied by impious ceremonies and songs. Saint Timothy, zealous for the glory of God, attempted to halt the procession and reason with the spiritually blind idol-worshipping people, by preaching the true faith in Christ. The pagans angrily fell upon the holy apostle, they beat him, dragged him along the ground, and finally, they stoned him. Saint Timothy's martyrdom occurred in the year 93. In the fourth century the holy relics of Saint Timothy were transferred to Constantinople and placed in the church of the Holy Apostles near the tombs of Saint Andrew (November 30) and Saint Luke (October 18). The Church honors Saint Timothy as one of the Apostles of the Seventy. In Russian practice, the back of a priest's cross is often inscribed with Saint Paul's words to Saint Timothy: "Be an example to the believers in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity" (1 Tim. 4:12).

Service Schedule

Great Vespers: 5 pm Saturdays

Hours: 9:45am Sundays

Divine Liturgy: 10:00am Sundays

Confessions: Will be heard every Saturday evening after Vespers or by appointment.

Call, text or email Father Michael at (848)228-1563 or holyspiritwantagenj@gmail.com

Monthly calendar at www.HolySpiritOrthodox.org

Dates to Remember

Saturday 21st of January

Great Vespers at 5 pm

Sunday 22nd of January

Divine Liturgy at 10 am

Monday 23rd of January

Parish Council Meeting at 7 pm via ZOOM

Saturday 28th of January

Great Vespers at 5 pm

Sunday 29th of January

Divine Liturgy at 10 am

Wednesday 1st of February

Great Vespers at 6 pm

Thursday 2nd of February

MEETING OF THE LORD

Divine Liturgy at 9 am

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Visitors Welcome

If you are a guest at today's Divine Liturgy, we invite you to join us following Divine Liturgy for light refreshment and fellowship so we can get to know each other. You are always welcome to share in worship and fellowship at Holy Spirit Orthodox Church. Please sign the Guest Book in the Narthex and include your email address.

Congratulations

On January 14th, Vada Rose Hardcastle was baptized into the Orthodox Faith. The baptism was performed by Very Rev. Samuel Kedala and Rev. Michael Pejovic. HSOC wishes Vada Rose, her parents Mary and Corey, godparents Catherine and Glen and the whole family many blessed years!

Blessing of the homes

We are again blessed with the opportunity to bless the homes of all our parishioners. If you would like your home to be blessed, there is a sign-up sheet in the narthex, or contact Father Michael at pejovicveljko@gmail.com or via cell phone: at 848-228-1563. Blessing of the homes is a wonderful opportunity to bring the joy of the Holy Theophany into your home.

Archbishop Michael's Anniversary of Ordination

The clergy and faithful of the Diocese of New York and New Jersey are called to honor the fiftieth anniversary of His Eminence Archbishop Michael. The Divine Liturgy will be held at Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church in Paramus on February 4th, 2023, at 10:00 am. A commemorative buffet luncheon will be held at 1:00 pm at the Brownstone, Peterson NJ. Please find the advertisement and the reservation form attached.

Food Donation Cart

Thanks to Dan Taylor we are blessed with the donated cart in the narthex. Whenever you are shopping remember those who are hungry and purchase one or more items for our donation cart.

Metropolitan Tikhon Visits Diocese of Mexico

On January 13th, 2023, His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon traveled to Mexico City for his annual primatial visit to the Diocese of Mexico. For more information about this event and on how you can support struggling Diocese of Mexico please follow the link: [Metropolitan Tikhon Visits Diocese of Mexico - Orthodox Church in America \(oca.org\)](http://OCA.org)

Sanctity of Life Sunday for 2023 Announced

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Have an item for the bulletin?

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