

COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

Sunday 6th of November

Epistle Reading: Galatians 2:16-20

Gospel Reading: Luke 8:41-56

Troparion — Tone 4

**Paul, you shone on the earth like a star of heavenly splendor; /
now you enlighten the universal Church for which you
suffered, / for you laid down your life, / and your blood cries
out to the Lord like that of Zachariah and Abel.**

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, Protopresbyter 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 and PamelaAnne, Amen!!!

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



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SAINT PAUL THE CONFESSOR, ARCHBISHOP OF CONSTANTINOPLE - Saint Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Constantinople, was chosen to the patriarchal throne after the death of Patriarch Alexander (+ 340), when the Arian heresy had again flared up. Many of the Arians were present at the Council which selected the new Archbishop of Constantinople. They revolted in opposition to the choice of Saint Paul, but the Orthodox at the Council were in the majority. The emperor Constantius, ruling over the Eastern half of the Roman Empire, was an Arian. He was not in Constantinople for the election of the Archbishop, and so it took place without his consent. Upon his return, he convened a council which illegally deposed Saint Paul, and the emperor banished him from the capital. In place of the saint they elevated Eusebius of Nicomedia, an impious heretic. Archbishop Paul withdrew to Rome, where other Orthodox bishops were also banished by Eusebius. Eusebius did not rule the Church of Constantinople for long. When he died, Saint Paul returned to Constantinople, and was greeted by his flock with love. But Constantius exiled the saint a second time, and so he returned to Rome. The Western emperor Constans wrote a harsh letter to his Eastern co-ruler, which he sent to Constantinople along with the holy exiled archpastor. The threats worked, and Saint Paul was reinstated upon the archepiscopal throne. But soon the pious emperor Constans, a defender of the Orthodox, was treacherously murdered during a palace coup. They again banished Saint Paul from Constantinople and this time sent him off in exile to Armenia, to the city of Cucusus, where he endured a martyr's death. When the Archbishop was celebrating the Divine Liturgy, Arians rushed upon him by force and strangled him with his own omophorion. This occurred in the year 350. In 381, the holy Emperor Theodosius the Great solemnly transferred the relics of Saint Paul the Confessor from Cucusus to Constantinople. In 1326, the relics of Saint Paul were transferred to Venice. Saint Athanasius the Great, a contemporary of Saint Paul, writes briefly about his exiles, "Saint Paul the first time was sent by Constantine to Pontus, the second time he was fettered with chains by Constantius, and then he was locked up in Mesopotamian Syngara and from there moved to Emesus, and the fourth time to Cappadocian Cucusus in the Taurian wilderness."

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 5th of November

Panikhida at 4:15 pm

Great Vespers at 5 pm

Sunday 6th of November

Divine Liturgy at 10 am

Monday 7th of November

Great Vespers at 6 pm

Tuesday 8th of November

Synaxis of Archangel Michael

Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Slava Dinner at Rectory at 4 pm

Saturday 12th of November

Great Vespers at 5 pm

Sunday 13th of November

Divine Liturgy at 10 am

ANNOUNCEMENTS!

Welcome

If you are a guest at today's Divine Liturgy, we invite you to join us following Divine Liturgy for light refreshments 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.

Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 6th at 2 am.

Turn your clock back one hour!

Synaxis of the Archangel Michael

At Holy Spirit Orthodox Church, you are welcome to worship with us for the Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and all the Heavenly Powers at Vespers on Monday, November 7th, at 6 pm and Divine Liturgy on Tuesday, November 8th, at 9 am. At 5 pm on November 8th, Father Michael Pejovic and Matushka Mihaela Pejovic will open the doors of Rectory for anyone who wants to join them in the celebration of their slava (family Patron Saints) and Matushka Mihaela's birthday. Although food is planned to be served around 4 pm, you are more than welcomed to join us in the rectory whenever you please.

Veterans Day

Veterans Day is observed annually in the United States and honors all military veterans of the United States Armed Forces. Happy Veterans Day to our military and their families who sacrificed so much to keep our country safe and strong. God Bless!

A Night of Dancing Fundraiser

The Lanota House of Dance will be presenting this event to benefit the Port Jervis Salvation Army. It will be held on Saturday, November 12th, 2022, 7-10pm, Greenville VFW Post 3175, Greenville, NY. There's a \$20 donation and light refreshment included. Our very own parishioner, Valentina Bobrowski will be performing and you may speak with her at coffee hour or contact her at valentinabbr@yahoo.com of 845.702.5524.

Diocesan Council Meeting

This year's Diocesan Council Meeting was held at Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Endicott, NY. This year Matushka Mihaela and Father Michael Pejovic represented HSOC. The Very Rev. Father Samuel Kedala also attended the meeting. This meeting provides a good insight into the works of the Diocese. In addition to the meeting, many educational courses are offered. Please consider attending next year's Diocesan Council Meeting.

Have an item for the bulletin?

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