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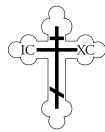
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## SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2013

**5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4.** Holy Apostles of the Seventy and Deacons: Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, and Parmenas (1st c.). St. Pitirím, Bishop of Tambov (1698). Ven. Moses, Wonderworker, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—13th-14th c.). Martyr Julian of Dalmatia (2nd c.). Martyr Eustathius (Eustace—ca. 321), of Apamea. Ven. Paul of Xeropotamou, founder of the Monastery of St. Paul on Mt. Athos (10th c.). The Smolensk "HODIGITRIA" ("THE GUIDE") Icon of the Most-holy Theotokos (brought from Constantinople in 1046). Icon of the Mother of God "of Tenderness" (1885).

**Epistle:** Romans 10:1-10

**Gospel:** Matthew 8:28-9:1



## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES



**Confessions:**

Saturdays Following Vespers  
*Also by appointment*

**Vespers:  
Vigil**

Saturdays at 6pm  
Eve of Feasts at 7pm

**Divine Liturgy:**

Sundays at 9:30am  
Feast Days at 9:15am

## UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

**Sun, Jul 28:** **Holy Apostles of the Seventy.** Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Fellowship Hour – 11:15am, Parish Revitalization Meeting – 12pm

**Wed, Jul 31:** Akathist followed by Adult Education – 9:15am, Prison Ministry – 7pm-9pm

**Sat, Aug 3:** Great Vespers and Confessions – 6pm

**Sun, Aug 4:** Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Fellowship Hour – 11:15am

### 1025<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE BAPTISM OF -RUS

Today we will join in prayer with our brothers and sisters of the Russian, Ukrainian and Byelorussian Orthodox Churches as they celebrate the Feast of St. Vladimir, Equal to the Apostles and Enlightener of the Russian Lands on the 1025<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Baptism of 'Rus. A weeklong celebration is coming to a close in Minsk, following observances in Moscow and Kyiv. Our own Orthodox Church in America has a delegation at these celebrations, led by His Beatitude, Metropolitan TIKHON. For coverage, including photos, see [oca.org](http://oca.org).

**WORD FROM THE FATHERS:**

The more we bring to this fountain a faith ready to be filled, the more will we draw of its overflowing grace. *St. Cyprian, To Donatus, 5*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Dormition Fast:** The Dormition Fast is August 1 until August 14. The Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos will be celebrated on August 15. It is a Fast like the other three fasting periods of the year, from meat and dairy products, from excessive eating and drinking, from idleness and self indulgence and FOR PRAYER, FOR ALMSGIVING, FOR REPENTANCE. The Dormition Fast prepares us to celebrate the great sign of the Theotokos's Falling Asleep, the promise of our own Eternal Life in Body, Soul and Spirit if we do as She has done, hear, ponder and do the Will of God in our lives. The fasting from and the doing for TOGETHER enable us to better fulfill the Lord's Will in our lives, clearing out the weeds and planting new seeds of life in the garden of our spirit, soul and body. Note that we are called to do what we can according to our age, health, state in life. Those with medical conditions should fast only to the degree it does not impact their health, the same with the aged. Any questions, ask Fr. Martin. Remember St. John Chrysostom's dictum, if we can fast from sin, we can eat anything. Focus on fasting from sin.

## VIGIL LIGHTS:

From the Perdikis Family:

- **In Memory of**  
Arthur, Evangelia, Ekaterini
- **For the Health of**  
Archpriest Theodore, Angelo, Patricia

From the Sedor Family:

- **In Memory of**  
Suzanne, Stephen, Stephen, Fr. Stephen, August, Mary, Mary, Andrew, Mary, Paul
- **For the Health of**  
Linette, Matushka Laryssa, Matushka Gayle, Stephanie, Anna, Reader Peter, Monia

From the Pitra Family:

- **In Memory of**  
Pelageja Kwasow; Mother of Maria Pitra

From the Swan Family:

- **In Memory of**  
Thomas Swan Sr., Thomas Swan Jr., Catherine Swan, Katherine Horner, Albert Horner
- **For the Health of**  
Michael Love, Venus Love, Mary Anne Swan

## BIRTHDAYS

Julia Petrov – July 31

**The Scrip Program: The next Scrip order will be August 11th during coffee hour.** To all, thank you for your support. **To place orders see Larissa Ravetto or phone (215) 766-1220 or email ravetto2001@gmail.com.**

**Parish Revitalization:** Next meeting for the Parish Health Inventory Model will be **TODAY. Topic: Shared Leadership.**

**Feed the Hungry, clothe the naked: The Rescue Mission in Trenton** is in extreme need of clothing. They will have a box here from August 2 to September 2 to collect clothing. Please use the Dormition Fast as a time to check your closets and cabinets for clothing you no longer need or want and bring it with you for donation. *If you cannot find Christ in the beggar at the Church door, you will not find him in the Chalice.* St. John Chrysostom.

From Reneé Szeliga:

- **In Memory of**  
Edward Harris, Glen Selin, Lee Selin, Maria Szeliga, Lafayette Burton, Winsome Wade, Stephen Anderson, Corrine Anderson, Agnes Hamilton
- **For the Health of**  
Carmen Harris, Nate Harris, Ralph Selin, Romek Szeliga, Goscia, Agatha, Grazyna, Vincent, Trish Cottman, Marek Szeliga, Reneé Szeliga, Vitally Lentsky, Natalia Lentsky

From Marina:

- **For the Health of**  
Marina, Anna, Larissa