

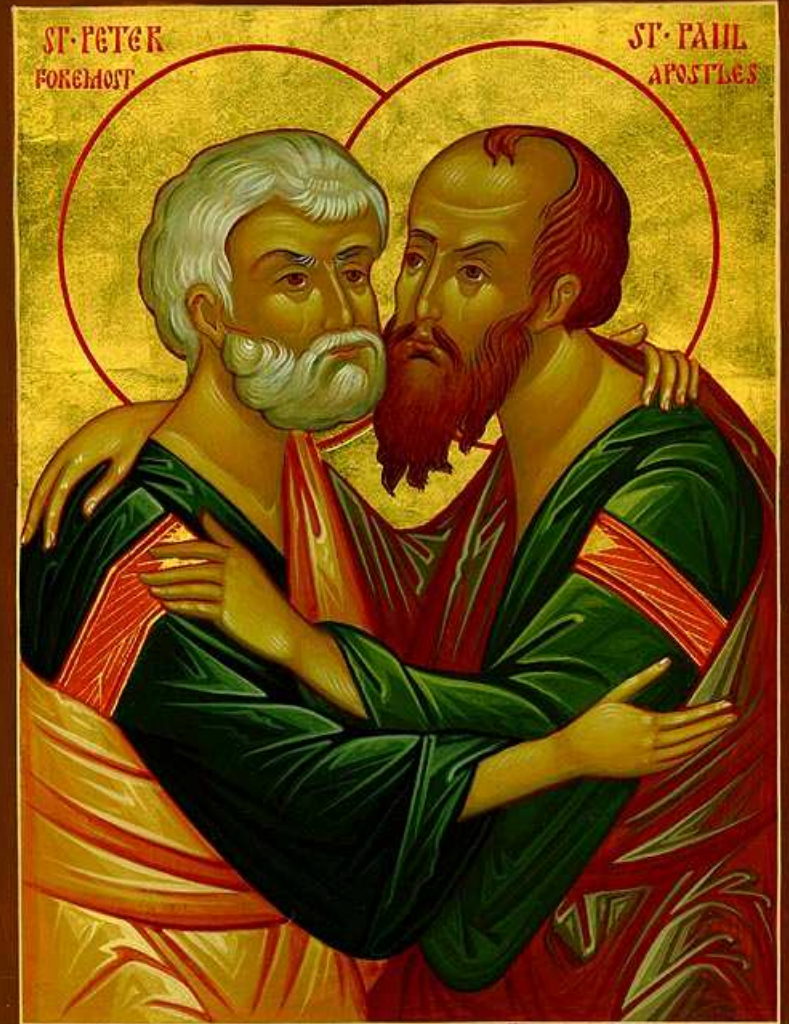
***TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF THE
HOLY AND WONDERWORKING
UNMERCENARIES CYRUS AND JOHN***

The Transfer of the Relics of the Holy Martyrs Cyrus and John from the city of Konopa, near Alexandria (where they suffered in the year 311) to the nearby village of Manuphin, took place in the year 412.

This Egyptian village prompted fear in everyone, since in a former time there was a pagan temple inhabited by evil spirits. Patriarch Theophilus (385-412) wanted to cleanse this place of demons, but he died. His wish was fulfilled by his successor in the See of Alexandria, the holy Patriarch Cyril (412-444). He prayed fervently in carrying out this project. An angel of the Lord appeared in a vision to the hierarch and commanded the venerable relics of Saints Cyrus and John be transferred to Manuphin. His Holiness Patriarch Cyril did the angel's bidding and built a church at Manuphin in the name of the holy martyrs.

From that time this place was purified of the Enemy's influence, and by the prayers of the holy Martyrs Cyrus and John, there began to occur many miracles, healings of the sick and infirm.

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Translation of the Relics of the Holy and Wonderworking Unmercenaries Cyrus and John
St. Paul the Physician, of Corinth; Ven. Xenophon, Abbot of Robeish;
Ven. Sergius and Herman, Wonderworkers of Valaam;
The "Three Hands" Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos
All Saints of Britain and Ireland*

"O Christ God, You have given us the miracles of Your martyrs, Cyrus and John, as an invincible rampart; through their prayers, frustrate the plans of the heathens, and strengthen the faith of the Orthodox Christians, for You alone are good and love mankind."

Troparion, Tone V

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

Monday, June 29

"What prison has not held you? What church has not heard you? Damascus is elated with you, O holy Paul, and Rome boasts about receiving your blood; but Tarsus shows even greater joy and love in honoring the memory of your youth. So now, Peter, rock of faith, and you, O Paul, glory of the universe, come forth together from Rome and make us stand firm."

Troparion, Tone I

TODAY'S EPISTLE: ROMANS 5:1-10

TODAY'S GOSPEL: MATTHEW 6:22-33

HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:

This week's services will not be offered online.

Monday, June 29 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy - **Saints Peter and Paul**
Saturday, July 4 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, June 29	II Corinthians 11:21-12:9	Matthew 16:13-19
Tuesday, June 30	Romans 10:11-11:2	Matthew 11:16-20
(Apostles)	I Corinthians 4:9-16	Mark 3:13-19
Wednesday, July 1	Romans 11:2-12	Matthew 11:20-26
Thursday, July 2	Romans 11:13-24	Matthew 11:27-30
Friday, July 3	Romans 11:25-36	Matthew 12:1-8
Saturday, July 4	Romans 6:11-17	Matthew 8:14-23

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KITCHEN UPDATE:

Work has begun on some renovations in the kitchen, which we hope to finish by the end of the summer. Contributions for this work would be appreciated. Please note “kitchen” when designating funds for this purpose in your weekly donation envelope.

WEEKLY DONATIONS:

Thank you for your needed financial support to our parish. We are slowly returning to a more regular parish life and are able to share statements of weekly contributions; your mailed donations are appreciated.

GREEK FOOD:

The St. Demetrios Greek Food Festival is drive-through only this year. It is today, 11:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Order at www.SaintDemetriosRR.org

IOCC CARE CALLS:

Thank you to all who have contributed to the International Orthodox Christian Charities. The IOCC is now introducing “Care Calls” to alleviate isolation. Call, text, video chat: Stay connected for your own sake and to help your loved ones! www.iocc.org/carecall

SPIRITUAL COUNSELS OF ST. SERAPHIM

Those who have truly decided to serve the Lord God should practice the remembrance of God and uninterrupted prayer to Jesus Christ, mentally saying: “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, by the prayers of the Mother of God, have mercy on me a sinner”; or one may have recourse directly to the Most Holy Mother of God, praying: “Most Holy Mother of God, save us”; or one may repeat the angelic greeting: “Rejoice, Virgin Theotokos, Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb; for thou hast borne the Savior of our souls.” By such exercises in preserving oneself from dispersion and keeping peace of conscience, one may draw near to God and be united to Him. For in the words of St. Isaac the Syrian: “Without uninterrupted prayer we cannot draw near to God” (St. Isaac, Homily 69).

We should thank the Lord for everything and give ourselves up to His will; we should likewise offer Him all our thoughts, words, and strive to make everything serve only His good pleasure.

With one’s neighbor, one should behave kindly, giving not even the appearance of offending. When we turn away from a man or offend him, it is as though a stone were laid on the heart.

More than anything else, one should adorn oneself with silence; for St. Ambrose of Milan says: I have seen many being saved by silence, but not one by talkativeness. And again, one of the Fathers says that silence is the mystery of the future age, while words are the implement of this world. (St. Isaac the Syrian)

Let us love humility, and we shall see the glory of God.

THE GIFTS WE OFFER TO THE LORD WE LOVE

REGULAR COLLECTION, 6/21/20	\$ 700.00
CHURCH ADMINISTRATION ASSESSMENT	215.00
BUILDING FUND	245.00
CANDLES	64.00
KITCHEN FUND	100.00

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THE SAINTS AMONG US -
THE FOREMOST APOSTLES, SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

PART I - ST. PETER

The commemoration of the Apostles Peter and Paul on June 29 is a special feast, the significance of which is emphasized by the fact that it is preceded by a fast. The fast is unique in that it begins on a movable day, the Monday after All Saints Sunday. It can thus last several weeks when Easter is early, or be no fast at all when Easter is late. Beginning on June 15 this year and ending on June 29, the Apostles' Fast is two weeks long.

The historical record regarding Sts. Peter and Paul is primarily in the New Testament. Most of the information about St. Peter comes from the Gospels. We know that St. Peter was native to the northern region of Israel, which was called Galilee. He lived in the small town of Capernaum by the Sea of Galilee, also known as Lake Gennesaret and today is called Lake Tiberias. He had a brother, Andrew, and a wife, whose name is unknown. He and Andrew were fishermen, as were two other of Peter's acquaintances, John and James, sons of Zebedee. These four were the first called of what would become the group of the Twelve Apostles. Peter was initially called Simon, but Jesus gave him the name of Peter, from the Greek "petros," which means rock. In some places in the New Testament, he is called Cephas, which is the Aramaic word for rock.

Throughout the Gospels and in the Book of Acts, Peter appears as an outspoken and daring person. He is the one who tries to walk on water, he is the one who boldly speaks at the Transfiguration on Mount Tabor, and he is the one who declares that he would never leave Jesus only to deny Him later. While his impetuous qualities were the source of his troubles, they were also the reason that he became the natural leader of the Twelve. Following Jesus Christ's Resurrection and Ascension, and especially at Pentecost, it is Peter who emerges as the prominent spokesman of the newly-inspired disciples. In the following chapters of Acts, his role continues to develop, especially in those first years while the disciples were still coalescing in Jerusalem and in the regions around Judea.

From St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians we learn that he and Peter were initially in disagreement about how Gentiles should be converted to Christianity. Paul accused Peter of being beholden to the group which saw Christianity as a modified sort of Judaism. St. Paul, on the other hand, came to realize that faith in Jesus Christ did not require full allegiance to the traditions of the Old Testament. In time, St. Peter came to realize this as well. This happened after he had a profound vision while in the city of Joppa, following which he baptized the Roman centurion Cornelius and his household. Subsequently, St. Peter became a strong proponent of evangelization to the Gentiles together with St. Paul, about whom we will learn in next week's Trinitarian.

Fr. Alexander Garklaus