

Saintly Notes

Sts. Cyrus and John (June 28)

These holy martyrs are celebrated on January 31. On that date, their lives and sufferings are chronicled. June 28 commemorates the translation of their relics from Canopus to Menuthis and the numerous miracles which occurred over their relics.

St. Cyril, Patriarch of Alexandria, prayed fervently to God to destroy the idolatrous impurity in the town of Menuthis where a pagan temple was located and where the power of the demons ruled. An angel of God appeared to the patriarch and told him that Menuthis would be cleansed of its impurity if he translated the relics of Saints Cyrus and John to that town. The patriarch did this immediately. He translated the relics of the martyrs to Menuthis and built a church there in honor of Saints Cyrus and John.

Ammonius, the son of Julian the mayor of Alexandria, was healed of scorfula; a Theodore healed of blindness; Isidore of Menuthis was cured of a decaying disease of the liver; the wife of Theodore from poisoning, a Eugenia of dropsy as well as many other people were healed of various diseases and torments by the relics of these saints. This all occurred in the year 412 A.D.

(The Prologue from Ochrid, Birmingham, 1985, Lazarica Press)



Sts. Cyrus and John

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

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June 28, 2009

The Saints Whom We Remember Today

Relics Translation of Cyrus and John, unmercenary healers;
Martyrs Papios and Paul; Venerable Moses the anchorite; Venerable Simeon;
Venerable Sergios and Herman, wonderworkers of Valaam

This Week's Schedule

Today: 9:00a Orthros; 10:00a Divine Liturgy (Transference of the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul)
Monday: Church Office Closed
Wednesday: 9:15a Third Hour Prayers; 6:30p Daily Vespers
Saturday: 5:30p Great Vespers
Sunday: 9:00a Orthros; 10:00a Divine Liturgy

Third Antiphon

Troparion of the Resurrection
Tone 2

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death,
O Thou deathless and immortal One, then
Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly
power. And when Thou didst raise the dead
from beneath the earth, all the powers of
Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ,
Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

Entrance Hymn

Come, let us worship . . . Alleluia.

Troparion

for the Resurrection—Tone 2

See above.

Troparion

of Sts. Peter and Paul—Tone 4

O foremost in the ranks of Apostles, and
teachers of the world, Peter and Paul,
intercede with the Master of all to grant
safety to the world, and to our souls the
Great Mercy.

Troparion

of All Saints—Tone 4

As with fine porphyry and royal purple Thy
Church has been adorned with Thy martyr's
blood shed throughout all the world. She
cries to Thee, O Christ God, send down Thy
bounties on Thy people, grant peace to Thy
habitation and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion

for Ordinary Sundays—Tone 2

O Protection of Christians that is not put to
shame, unchanging Mediation before the
Creator, despise not the voice of the sinners'

prayer, but in that thou art good, come
quickly to help us who call upon thee in
faith. Make speed to intercede and make
haste to supplicate, O Theotokos, who dost
ever protect those that honor thee.

The Trisagion

Holy God . . . Alleluia.

Scripture

for today and next Sunday

Today: (See insert)

Next Sunday:

Epistle: Gal. 5:22—6:2

Gospel: Matt. 8:5—13

Alegalynarion

Tone 7

It is truly meet . . .

Communion Hymn

Tone 8

Praise the Lord . . . Alleluia.

Post-Communion Hymn

Tone 2

We have seen the true light . . .

Parish Notes

Altar Servers Today

Matthew Wynne, Del Dillard, Noah Keim,
Micah Keim, Johannes Kibret, Nicholas
Kliwer, Roger Jones.

Special Attention

- **Correction for Fr. Philip's Mailing Address:** Below is the correct address for Fr. Philip while he is serving in Afghanistan:
Chaplain Philip J. Pelikan
2nd MEB
Unit 73010 (Brigade Chaplain)
FPO AE 09510-3010

- **Building Project Update.** The invitations for contractors to bid on our new building project have gone out. Please pray that the bids will be favorable and that we will be able to start the actual building soon. More information will follow in the days ahead.
- **Discretionary Fund Needs.** As many of you know, we have a priest's discretionary fund here at All Saints that is used to help people in need (often our own members). Usually, that amounts to small gifts of money for gas or food, but at other times it is used for more serious needs such as help with rent or utility bills or prescribed medicines, etc. As more and more people are out of work or have experienced decreased income, the use of this fund has risen sharply. The result is that the discretionary fund needs to be built up again. If you are able, a donation specified to be used for the discretionary fund would be greatly appreciated and would help many people who have nowhere else to turn. May God bless you for your generosity.
- **Not only On July 4th but every day, Remember to Thank God for our Country and the Peace and Prosperity and freedom of worship that we enjoy even in these times of recession.**



“For the President of the United States, for all civil authorities, and for our armed forces everywhere, may the Lord God remember them in His Kingdom, always, now and ever and unto the ages of ages, Amen.”

Epistle and Gospel Readings

Prokeimenon:

The Lord is my strength and my song.

The Lord has chastened me sorely.

†**Epistle: Rom. 5:1–11 (RSV)**

Brethren, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man—though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows His love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. Not only so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received our reconciliation.

†**Gospel: Matt. 6:22–33 (RSV)**

The Lord said, "The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in

you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink; nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not the soul more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of heaven: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon himself in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well."

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