



**Sunday June 26, 2016 1st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 8. All Saints.** St. David of Thessalonica (ca. 540). St. Dionysius, Archbishop of Suzdal’ (1385). Translation of the Relics of St. Tikhon of Lukhov (Kostromá— 1569). St. John, Bishop of the Goths in the Crimea (8th c.). Appearance of the TIKHVIN Icon of the Most-holy Theotokos (1288).

**This Week’s Schedule**

*Tuesday 6/28 Great Vespers Ss. Peter & Paul 7:00 p.m.*

*Wednesday 6/29 Divine Liturgy*

*Ss. Peter & Paul 9:00 a.m.*

*Saturday 7/02 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.*

*Sunday 7/03 Hours 8:40 a.m.*

***Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m***

*followed by coffee hour*

**Reader Schedule**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> HOUR</b>	<b>6<sup>TH</sup> HOUR</b>	<b>EPISTLE</b>
Jun-26	SOUDER, C	SULPIZI, L	CAREY
July-03	A. RILEY	J.RILEY	S. BRASOWSKI
July 10	SOUDER	L SULPIZI	CAREY
July 17	L WALES	A WALES	L WALES
July 24	S BUNITSKY	K BUNITSKY	S BUNITSKY

## Hymns and Prayers

### **Tone 8 Troparion**     *(Resurrection)*

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One!  
Thou didst accept the three day burial  
to free us from our sufferings!//  
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to thee!

### **Tone 4 Troparion**     *(from the Pentecostarion)*

As with fine porphyry and royal purple,  
Thy Church has been adorned with Thy martyrs' blood shed  
through-  
out 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!”

### **Tone 8**           **Kontakion**     *(from the Pentecostarion)*

The universe offers Thee the God-bearing Martyrs  
as the first fruits of creation, O Lord and Creator.  
By their prayers keep Thy Church, Thy habitation, in abiding  
peace//  
through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One!

### **Tone 8 Prokeimenon** *(Resurrection)*

Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God! *(Ps 75/76:11)*

*v: In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel. (Ps 75/76:1)*

### **Tone 4 Prokeimenon** *(Saints)*

God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel. *(Ps 67/68:35)*

## **Epistle Hebrews 11:33-12:2**

*... who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection.*

*Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth.*

*And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.*

*Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

### **Tone 4**

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*v. The righteous cried and the Lord heard them and delivered them out of all their troubles. (Ps 33/34:18)*

*v. Many are the afflictions of the righteous; the Lord will deliver them out of them all. (Ps 33/34:20)*

## **Gospel Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30**

*Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven.*

*But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.*

*He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.*

*And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.*

*Then Peter answered and said to Him, "See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?"*

*So Jesus said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.*

*And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life.*

*But many who are first will be last, and the last first.*

### **Communion Hymns**

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*)

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise befits the just! (*Ps 32/33:1*) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### **This Week's Announcements**

***Ss. Peter & Paul*** Just a reminder that the Ss. Peter & Paul fast begins tomorrow and continues thru Wednesday (June 27-29). We will celebrate the feast of Ss. Peter & Paul with Vespers on Tues June 28 at 7:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy for the feast will be Wed. June 29 at 9:00 a.m. Join us!

***Vacation Church School*** Thank you to all who helped make our 2016 VCS a great success! Thirteen of our youth learned about our initiation into God's family through water and sealed with gifts of the Spirit from holy chrism. We had great fellowship, games, activities, and even a service project for our parish shut-ins. Thanks to all who participated. We look forward to next year's VCS!

**Summer Reading Table** There is a new library table put out for your summer reading. Take a book with you on vacation, to the beach, wherever the summer takes you, take a book!

**Study Group Summer Break** Please note our study group will begin our summer break starting June 30<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all who continue to help make the study group a blessed time for all. We will resume late summer with the study of “The Ladder of Divine Ascent.”

**July Calendar Notes** Available in the narthex are the July calendars. Please take one home with you. Also, an update on the Peck baptism; The baptism of Arsenius Peck will be Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

**Check out the Revised and Updated Parish Web site!** A special thanks to Scott (Thaddeus) Lewis for his continued work on the parish web site.

Check us out <http://www.stmichael-delaware-oca.org/>

### ***Our Saints of Britain and Ireland***



June 24 is the feast day of all the saints of Britain and Ireland. This feast, unlike many much older ones on the Orthodox Church's calendar, was instituted just in recent years. It honors early saints from the western part of the world.

Two of these saints, Aidan of Lindisfarne and Hilda of Whitby, were seventh-century contemporaries. Saint Aidan had been a member of the monastic community on the island of Iona, off the coast of Scotland. Founded by Saint Columba, this monastery was a center of Celtic spirituality. When King Oswald of Northumbria (in northeastern England) asked for missionaries from Iona to convert his English subjects to Christianity, the first monk to attempt it decided that the pagan English were too stubborn to be influenced, and gave up.

Aidan refused to believe the job was impossible, and left Iona for Northumbria in 635. He established a monastery on the island of Lindisfarne, and it became not only a center of missionary work but the home of a growing community of monks. Aidan went on foot among the people of the area, teaching about Christ's love from one village to another. At first he traveled with an interpreter, since he knew only his native Irish language; some say King Oswald occasionally accompanied him. But gradually Aidan learned the language of the people, who responded eagerly to his preaching and instruction.

Saint Hilda of Whitby, born in 614, was a child of the royal house of Northumbria. Her early life was scarred by tragedy and loss; when she was still a baby her father was poisoned. She was brought up by Christian relatives in the Northumbrian court, and grew to love Jesus Christ with all her heart.

So when her sister decided to travel to Gaul to become a monastic, Hilda planned to follow her. But Saint Aidan, who knew her dedication to the faith, asked her to stay in England and gave her land on which to build a monastery.

By 657, Saint Hilda had established that thriving monastic community, and had moved on to Whitby. There she organized a double monastery (one for men and one for women) in accordance with the Celtic tradition of Saint Columba. The community became famous as a center of learning and trained five bishops. Secular rulers and monastic abbots sought Saint Hilda's advice, and she advised these and many other people, while also encouraging the study of Scripture and giving Church artists the resources to create.

Hilda was stricken with serious illness—a virulent fever that darkened the final six years of her life. But as the Venerable Bede writes, "...taught by her own experience she admonished all men to serve the Lord dutifully when health of body is granted to them, and always to return thanks faithfully to Him in adversity, or bodily infirmity."

These saints are only two of the many who lived and worked faithfully in Britain and Ireland during the Church's early years.

## **Wisdom from the Holy Fathers**

*“Defamation and dishonor are directed towards us like a test to the heart to uncover what’s hidden within – whether gentleness or anger – because a man when insulted reveals his inner self.*

*If meekness rests in your soul, you’ll easily endure the slander, but if your heart is filled with wrath, enmity and desire for revenge will awaken within you like a fire, or you will answer to defamation by defamation. Thus, slander and gossip can teach man to know his heart and to correct its condition.*

*Christ, the Son of God, the only one without sin, endured all defamation to show us the way to follow Him. It was in this way, that all the saints and apostles followed and in it you’ll find the support for your patience.”*

**+St. Tikhon of Zadonsk, On the Passions**

*"If you would know of the Lord’s love for us, hate sin and evil thoughts, and day and night pray fervently.*

*The Lord will then give you His grace, and you will know Him through the Holy Spirit, and after death, when you enter into paradise, there too, you will know the Lord through the Holy Spirit, as you knew Him on earth."*

**† St. Silouan of Mt. Athos**

**Prayers for the Departed:** Priest Vladimir (Walter) Smith, Paul

**Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:** Fr. Vladimir Petorak, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Josef Petranin, Mat. Julia Petranin, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Mat. Jennifer Franchak, Mat. Lisa Weremedic, Lemlem Resat, Harry Wujcik, Alfred Mokhiber, Peter Melnik, Agnes Timchak, Olga Riley, Anna Hotrovich, Marie Holowatch, Marie Karawulan, Barbara Hicks, Maria Current, Anna Herko, Zack Bajuyo, Luke Wales, Nona Carey, Joseph Wojciechowski, Mona Elia, Lydia Kendall, Maria and Doug Dozier, Mary Anne Farrell, Caiton Tompkins, Michael Vannello, Catalina(Mary) & Jeremy (John) Finck, Alma Clothier, Rae Svecz, Mat. Joanna Bohush, Andrew Kovolokavich, Pearl Minnich, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Carson

**Prayers for Women and the Children to be Born of Them:**  
Kristine

***Service Ministries***

<b>Date</b>	<b><u>Coffee Hour</u></b>	<b><u>Service Duty</u></b>	<b><u>Church Cleaner</u></b>	<b><u>Library</u></b>
<b>26-Jun</b>	Gerassimakis/ Bunitsky	Elia/ Morjana	Riley	Farrell
<b>3-Jul</b>	Whalen/Gabriel/ Sheeler	Riley	Bunitsky/ Oberto	Skomorucha
<b>10-Jul</b>	Najemy/ Kendall	Sulpizi/ Fink	Fravel	Maloney
<b>17-Jul</b>	LaChance/ Shatley/Hines	Hojnicki/Souder	Gerassimakis	Lewis
<b>24-Jul</b>	Souder/Riley	Sheeler/ Baldychev	Whalen/Finck	Gundersen

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

**DATE**

June-26  
July-03  
July-10  
July-17

**VESPERS and LITURGY**

Team Conover  
Team Gabriel  
Tem George  
Team Conover

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