



***Sunday September 24, 2017 16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 7.*** Holy New Martyrs of Alaska, Hieromonk Juvenaly (ca. 1796) and Peter the Aleut (1815). Holy Protomartyr and Equal-to-the-Apostles Thecla (1st c.). Ven. Nicander, Hermit, of Pskov (1581). Monk Martyr Galacteon of Vologdá (1612). Ven. Coprius of Palestine (530). Ven. Abramii, Abbot of Mirozh (Pskov). St. Vladislav of Serbia (1230-39). Ven. Dorothy of Kashin. Ven. Silouan of Mt. Athos (1938). The “MIROZH” (1198) and “THE MYRTLE TREE” Icons of the Most-holy Theotokos.

***This Week’s Schedule***

*Saturday 9/30 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.*

*Sunday 10/1 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>
Sep 24	SULPIZI	SOUDER	BRASOWSKI
Oct 01	RILEY	RILEY	FINCK
Oct 08	LEWIS	PECK	PECK
Oct 15	WALES	WALES	WALES
Oct 22	SULPIZI	SOUDER	BRASOWSKI

## Hymns and Prayers

### **Tone 7 Troparion**      *(Resurrection)*

By Your Cross You destroyed death.  
To the thief You opened Paradise.  
For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy.  
And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God,  
to proclaim that You are risen,//  
granting the world great mercy.

### **Tone 4 \*Troparion**      *(New Martyrs of Alaska)*

Today Alaska rejoices and America celebrates,  
for the New World has been sanctified by martyrdom.  
Kodiak echoes with songs of thanksgiving,  
Iliamna and Kenai observe the Festival of Faith.  
The Apostle and Martyr Juvenaly is glorified,  
and Peter the Aleut is exalted by his voluntary sacrifice.  
In their devotion and love for the Lord  
they willingly endured persecution and death for the Truth.//  
Now in the Kingdom of Heaven they intercede for our souls.

### **Tone 7 Kontakion**      *(Resurrection)*

The dominion of death can no longer hold mankind captive,  
for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers.  
Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry:  
“The Savior has come to those in faith;//  
enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!”

### **Tone 4 Kontakion**      *(New Martyrs of Alaska)*

Today Valaam joins Alaska in celebrating this joyous feast,  
as her spiritual son Juvenaly embraces the New-Martyr Peter with love.  
Together they suffered for the Lord in America  
and united the Old World with the New by their voluntary sacrifice.//  
Now forever they stand before the King of Glory and intercede for our  
souls.

### **Tone 7 Prokeimenon**

The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His

people with peace. (*Ps 28/29:11*)

*v: Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!*  
(*Ps 28/29:1*)

#### **Tone 4 Prokeimenon** (*New Martyrs of Alaska*)

The Lord has shown all the wonders of His will to the Saints who are in His land. (*Ps 15/16:3*)

#### **Epistle 2 Corinthians 6:1-10**

*We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain.*

*For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard You, and in the day of salvation I have helped You." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.*

*We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed.*

*But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.*

#### **Romans 8:28-39** (*New Martyrs of Alaska*)

*And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.*

*For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified. What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?*

*He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?*

*Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.*

*Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.*

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter."*

*Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.*

*For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

### **Tone 7**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High. (Ps 91/92:1)*

*v: To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night. (Ps 91/92:2)*

### **Tone 4**

*v: The righteous cried, and the Lord heard them and delivered them out of all their troubles. (Ps 33/34:17)*

### **Gospel Luke 5:1-11**

*So it was, as the multitude pressed about Him to hear the word of God, that He stood by the Lake of Gennesaret, and saw two boats standing by the lake; but the fishermen had gone from them and were washing their nets.*

*Then He got into one of the boats, which was Simon's, and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He sat down and taught the multitudes from the boat.*

*When He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch."*

*But Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, we have toiled all night and caught nothing; nevertheless at Your word I will let down the net."*

*And when they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their net was breaking.*

*So they signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink.*

*When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!*

*For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish which they had taken;*

*and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men."*

*So when they had brought their boats to land, they forsook all and followed Him.*

### ***Luke 21:12-19 (New Martyrs of Alaska)***

*But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake.*

*But it will turn out for you as an occasion for testimony.*

*Therefore settle it in your hearts not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer; for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist.*

*You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death.*

*And you will be hated by all for My name's sake.*

*But not a hair of your head shall be lost. By your patience possess your souls.*

### **Communion Hymns**

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

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

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### ***This Week's Announcement***

***Family Promise Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> - Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>*** Please help cook, serve a meal and eat with homeless families Mon. Oct. 2, Tues. Oct. 3 and Thurs. Oct. 5 at St. Philips Lutheran church 5320 Limestone Road, Wilmington, DE 19808. Family Promise helps homeless families find jobs, training and homes and has a 83% success rate of keeping them in homes after more than one year. We need to share our hope, compassion, smiles and encouragement with them and especially their children. Please sign up on board in narthex. see Ellen Gundersen 610.388.0695 or [puffins1000@gmail.com](mailto:puffins1000@gmail.com).

**Annual Parish Meeting Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>** St. Michael 's Annual Parish Meeting or General Assembly will be held on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> during the coffee hour. St. Michael's parish continues, by God's grace, to prosper. The annual meeting is a good opportunity to see the blessing of our Lord at work and an opportunity to see our stewardship in action. Please be sure to attend. St. Michael's parish needs your talents!

**Annual Meeting Reports** Our annual parish meeting is coming up in October. Just a reminder that reports in preparation for our all parish meeting should be submitted to Catalina Finck by Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>. Thank you all for your continued work for St. Michael's!

**No Study Group this Week\*** Fr. Barnabas will be away this Thursday for a diocesan council meeting so there will be no study group this week. Next Thursday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> we resume looking at the diocesan presentation on the "*Effective Church Model*" and hearing an online presentation. The study group is from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. All are welcome to join us!

**Parking Reminder** A gentle reminder to everyone to please park in the designated areas. If the parking lot is full please park on Huntington Drive. We realize that the parking lot can be full and hope to address this issue in the future. Please do not park in Emergency/ Fire Lanes directly in front of the church. Thank you all for your attendance and patience.

**Church School Begins Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>** Church school will begin on Sunday Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> during the coffee hour. We will offer three classes: Small children ages 3-5yrs old, Primary ages 6-10yrs old, and Middle/High school ages 11-17yrs old. Thanks to all who completed the survey and for the continued support for the youth education ministry.

**Paraklesis on Wednesday Evenings** There have been several requests for a prayer service during the week to help strengthen us in our resolve and struggle. The service of the "Paraklesis" or "Service of Supplication" is a service most often addressed to the Theotokos, but can be used to seek the intercessions of any saint. The feature of a paraklesis is the inclusion of a supplicatory canon to the saint whose intercessions are being sought. It is appropriate to be served at any time of need. We hope to tentatively begin on Wed. evening Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested please consider making a commitment to be a reader or be willing to offer the responses. See the signup sheet in the narthex if you are interested in helping or being a part of the mid-week service of supplication.

## ***Wisdom from the Holy Fathers***

*He who does his spiritual work correctly finds excuses for everyone else in order to justify their shortcomings, but never justifies himself, even when he is in the right.*

*–Elder Paisios of Mount Athos*

*The beginning of freedom from anger is silence of the lips when the heart is agitated; the middle is silence of the thoughts when there is a mere disturbance of soul; and the end is an imperturbable calm under the breath of unclean winds.*

*–Saint John Climacus*

*When an unexpected misfortune happens to us who are innocent, we should not immediately grieve, but rather we should try to see God's providence in the situation.*

*–Saint Nikolai Velimirovic*

*Whoever observes God's benevolence learns to rely upon divine providence. He then feels like an infant in a crib, crying when left alone for a little while by its mother, until she returns to its side. It is an important matter to entrust yourself to God.*

*-Elder Paisios of Mount Athos "Spiritual Counsels Vol II" Spiritual Awakening*

**Prayers for the Departed:** William Hulik, Nabil, George Coyle, Grace, Helen

**Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:** Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Josef Petranin, Fr. John Nightingale, Mat Julia Petranin, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Mat. Jennifer Franchak, Mat. Lisa Weremedic, Matushka Myra Kovalak, Lemlem Resat, Alfred Mokhiber, Peter Melnik, Olga Riley, Anna Hotrovich, Marie Holowatch, Marie Karawulan, Barbara Hicks, JamesHicks, Anna Herko, Zack Bajuyo, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Mona Elia, Lydia Kendall, Maria and Doug Dozier, Mary Anne Farrell, Michael Vannello, Catalina(Mary) & Jeremy (John) Finck, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Carson, Joanna Carey, Anthony, Nedwin & Pearl Minnich, Patricia, Ketevan, & Claramond Sensor, Beverly (Elizabeth) Hulik, Benito, Benjamin, Charles, Patrica

**Prayers for Women and the Child to be born:** Mary (Misty) Robinson, Elizabeth Brasowski, Laura Cristina Najemy, Maria Peck

**Prayers for Catechumens:** Stephanie Smiertka Riley

<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>24-Sep</b>	Hamwi /Morjana	Bunitsky/Lewis	Finck	Lewis
<b>1-Oct</b>	Pot Luck	Elia/Morjana	Skomorucha/ Lewis	Gundersen
<b>8-Oct</b>	Najemy /Kendall	Riley	Baldychev/Sylvest	Farrell
<b>15-Oct</b>	Bacuta / Fravel	Sulpizi/Finck	Suplizi	Skomorucha
<b>22-Oct</b>	Elia/Gunderson/Farrell	Hojnicki/Souder	Riley	Maloney

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

Sep-24	Luke
Oct-1	Raphael
Oct.-8	Roel
Oct-15	Andrew