

Ambo

ST. THEodosius ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL



JANUARY 16, 2022

30TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

VENERATION OF THE PRECIOUS
CHAINS OF THE APOSTLE PETER

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Divine Services

Eve Sundays & Feast Days

5:00 PM Confessions

6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sundays and Feast Days

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

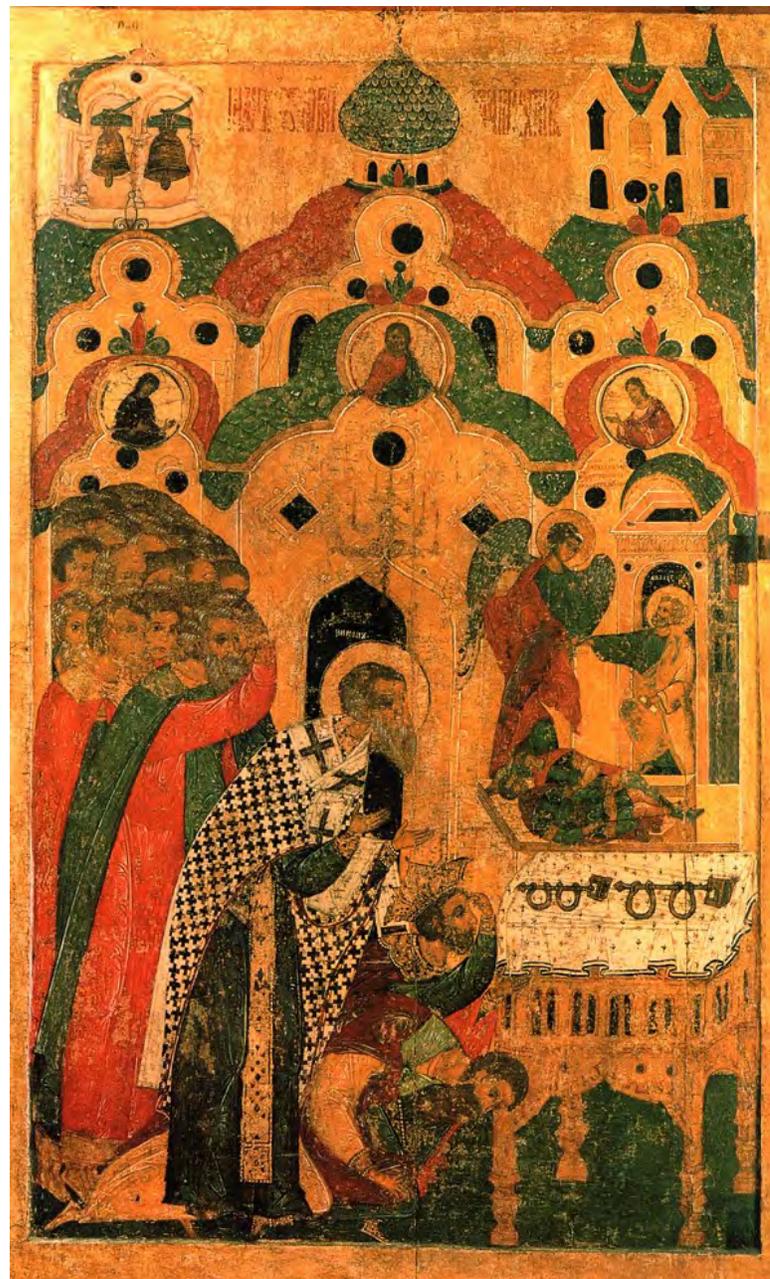
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The Veneration of the Honorable Chains of the Holy and All-Praised Apostle Peter: In about the year 42, on the orders of Herod Agrippa, the Apostle Peter was thrown into prison for preaching about Christ the Savior. In prison he was held secure by two iron chains. During the night before his trial, an angel of the Lord removed these chains from the Apostle Peter and led him out from the prison (Acts 12:1-11).

Christians who learned of the miracle took the chains and kept them as precious keepsakes. For three centuries the chains were kept

in Jerusalem, and those who were afflicted with illness and approached them with faith received healing. Patriarch Juvenal (July 2) presented the chains to Eudokia, wife of the emperor Theodosius the Younger, and she in turn transferred them from Jerusalem to Constantinople in either the year 437 or 439.

Eudokia sent one chain to Rome to her daughter

Eudoxia (the wife of Valentinian), who built a church on the Esquiline hill dedicated to the Apostle Peter and placed the chain in it. There were other chains in Rome, with which the Apostle Peter was shackled before his martyrdom under the emperor Nero. These were also placed in the church.

On January 16, the chains of Saint Peter are brought out for public veneration.

Please join ZOE for Life! ®
and
St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Cathedral
for a Prayer Service as we
Pray for the Unborn
Sunday, January 16, 2022
6:00 pm
6306 Broadview Road
Parma 44134
Prayer Service & Presentation will also be Live Streamed
Guest Speaker Presentation Follows – 6:45 pm
His Grace Bishop Irinej
Serbian Orthodox Church
Prayers offered by:
Father Dragoslav Kosic
Registration is Free, but required in order to receive a Zoom link.
Please register using the link below before January 14
<https://forms.gle/f3HVhEXrj9j4pF3w6>

VISITATIONS

Fr. Cizmar would like to know who requires visitation. He is eager to visit those who might have gone a long time without visitation due to COVID, our absence of a rector, or for any reason at all. A key duty of a priest's ministry is to visit the sick and confined, those unable to attend the holy services for any reason.

He asks that we use the contact number provided should we need anything from him. His phone number and email address are printed on the front of every Ambo, and are repeated here:

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READERS & SUBDEACONS PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

On Sunday, January 23rd, Fr. Jan wants to have a meeting with all actively serving Readers and Subdeacons. The meeting will be right after Divine Liturgy and we will talk about serving at the liturgy and rubrics.

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Blessed Maximus Makar'ev was a priest in the city of Tot'ma (Vologda Diocese) during the first half of the XVII century, and his father was a priest. Saint Maximus was also ordained to the priesthood, and for 45 years he voluntarily undertook the difficult spiritual exploit of foolishness for Christ's sake, spending his time in unceasing prayer, fasting, and nakedness, completely neglecting to take care of his body.

Father Maximus was already distinguished by grace-filled gifts from God during his lifetime. He reposed at an advanced age on January 16, 1650 and was buried near the Resurrection church of Varnitsa in the city of Tot'ma. His laborious and holy life, and the miraculous cures which flowed from his tomb, served as an incentive to write his Life, but it was destroyed in 1676 during a fire in the church of the Resurrection. A new Life was composed in 1680, and it was lost as well. Meanwhile, the miracles continued at the righteous one's tomb.

Local veneration of the Saint began in 1715, because of the numerous miracles which occurred at his grave. In that year, the Priest John Rokhletsov and the parishioners of Holy Resurrection church asked Archbishop Joseph of Great Ustyug to allow them to place a sepulcher over the relics of Saint Maximus in the church of Saint Paraskevė, which was built over his relics, and to put an Icon of the Saint on the tomb. Vladyka granted their petition and gave his blessing for Molebens to be served for him, as is done for other God-pleasers. At that time, everyone still remembered the miracles which took place at the tomb of Blessed Maximus, and these miracles

were depicted on the borders of the icon which adorned the God-pleaser's tomb.

In 1680, Boris Tarunin, a resident of Tot'ma, fell ill with a fever and was paralyzed for six months. When he prayed to the righteous Maximus for the help, he was healed right away.

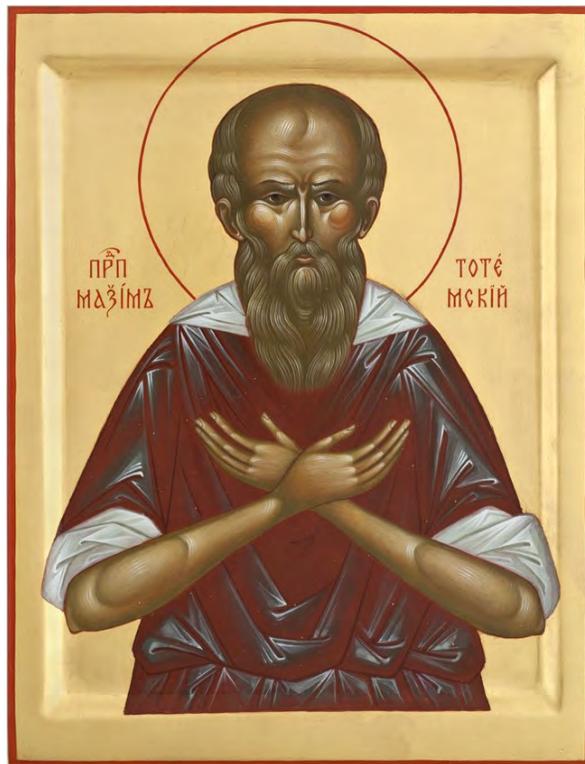
In 1691, the peasant Arėthas Malevinsky was bed-ridden for nine weeks with a fever. When he began to call upon Saint Maximus for help, his illness completely disappeared.

The peasant Theodore Mamoshov was paralyzed for nine years. On the night of November 5, 1703, he dreamt that an old man, clad in just a shirt, approached his bedside and said to him, "Theodore, cease your grieving." Taking him by the shoulder, he led him into

the church and commanded him to venerate his grave. When he awakened, Theodore felt so well that he was able to walk to the church of the Resurrection in order to venerate the tomb of his healer.

In 1705, Anna Tataurova had not been in her right mind for a month. One night, Saint Maximus appeared to her in a dream, telling her to have two Panikhidas served at his tomb, promising her that she would recover if she did this. When the sick girl woke up, she asked to be taken to the righteous one's tomb. After the two Panikhidas were served, she felt perfectly well.

Blessed Maximus is also commemorated on the third Sunday of Pentecost, the Synaxis of the Vologda Saints.



Saint Cyril and his wife Maria were the parents of Saint Sergius of Radonezh (September 25). They belonged to the nobility, but more importantly, they were devout and faithful Christians who were adorned with every virtue.

When the child in Maria's womb cried out three times in church during Liturgy, people were astonished. Although frightened at first, Maria came to see this event as a sign from God that her child would become a chosen vessel of divine grace. She and her husband agreed that if the child was a boy, they would bring him to church and dedicate him to God. This child, the second of their three sons, was born around 1314. He was named Bartholomew at his baptism.

Because of civil strife, Saint Cyril moved his family from Rostov to Radonezh when Bartholomew was still a boy.

Later, when their son expressed a desire to enter the monastic life, Saints Cyril and Maria asked

him to wait and take care of them until they passed away, because his brothers Stephen and Peter were both married and had their own family responsibilities. The young Bartholomew obeyed his parents, and did everything he could to please them. They later decided to retire to separate monasteries, and departed to the Lord after a few years. It is believed that Saints Cyril and Maria both reposed in 1337.

Forty days after burying his parents, Bartholomew settled their estate, giving his share to his brother Peter. He then went to the monastery when he was twenty-three years old, and was tonsured on October 7 with the name Sergius (in honor of the martyr Saint Sergius who is commemorated on that day). As everyone knows, Saint Sergius of Radonezh became one of Russia's greatest and most revered saints.

Saints Cyril and Maria were glorified by the Orthodox Church of Russia in 1992. They are also commemorated on September 28, and July 6 (Synaxis of the Saints of Radonezh).

A MESSAGE ON HOME BLESSINGS FROM FR. JAN

After January 6th, Fr. Jan will be blessing homes. He asks that anyone wishing to have their home blessed call him at (440) 732-8182 or email him at st.theodosiuscathedral@gmail.com to make the arrangement.

Due to the pandemic, and our financial position last year, we suspended the Food Pantry bags for **Merrick House** (20 bags of groceries for their Moms First program). There are envelopes in the foyer specifically for this, or you can earmark a special offering envelope for the Merrick House Food Pantry. Please consider 'sponsoring a bag' for \$10.

Thank you for your consideration.

- Dan Morris

CHURCH SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Church School meets at 4:45-5:45PM on the following dates:

February 5, 2022

April 2, 2022

June 4, 2022

March 5, 2022

May 7, 2022

PRAYER REQUESTS

1/16/2022

Departed:

Priest John Loejos

Valentina Ponomarenko (*Aunt of Greg Ponomarenko, Grandmother of Dan Boerio*)

Walter Wojnicz (*brother of Alexander Wojnicz*)
Stoja

Special Intentions:

Deacon Paul Mitchell (*Tom Mitchell's father*)

Subdeacon Theodore Lentz

Reader Paul Pangrace

Reader Frank Tkacz

Reader Ron Latre (*cousin of Felons*)

Reader Haralambos Steingass

Dan Boerio

Jennifer Boerio

Horia Dascalescu (*Lavinia's brother*)

Diane Kearsey (*Janice Tkacz's Sister*)

Chris Magee (*Erin Zawolowycz's brother*)

Janice Tkacz

Eleanor Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)

Erin Zawolowycz

Mary Kay Weber

Mickey O'Brien (*friend of Arlene*)

Joe Czajkowski (*son of Jerry*)

Carol Nielsen (*Paul Pangrace's sister*)

Matthew Ponomarenko

Alexander Ponomarenko

Virginia Medvec

Stephen Chwalyk

Child Benjamin Udell (*son of Michael and Lacey*)

Arlene Czajkowski

Jeffrey Parhamovich (*brother of Karen Felon*)

Maggie Parhamovich (*sister-in-law of Karen Felon*)

Margaret "Peg" Peyton (*Cathy's aunt*)

Kristin Robinson (*friend of Nicholas Kozak*)

Jean Woycitzky Thompson (*Frank's cousin*)

Child Anna Marie Luvison (*daughter of Matthew & Katie (Ellis) Luvison*)

Martha Musil (*mother of Linda Kovach*)

Michael Bowman (*Lydia Mytrohovich's neighbor*)

Debra Parhamovich (*sister of Karen Felon*)

Grace Mary Parhamovich (*mother of Karen Felon*)

Eleanor Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)

Rachel Ohlin (*relative of Tatiana*)

Yvonne "Evie" D'Amico

Peter

Tony Sykaluk

John Ohlin (*relative of Tatiana*)

Andrew Mytrohovich

Greg Galan (*cousin of Betty Balasz, friend of Karen & Subdeacon Darrell Felon*)

Nathan (*friend of Fr. Jan*)

Ale (*friend of Fr. Jan*)

Terri Peek (*friend of Igor*)

Robbie Prock

Greg and Christina Martin (*friends of Reader Eric*)

Gary Popovich (*brother-in-law of Frank*)

Gayle Vidovich

Phyllis Gindlesperger

David Magistro

Please submit names to the Prayer List by emailing them to
ambo-theodosius@googlegroups.com

Names remain on the list for 30 days unless requested otherwise.

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 16

John 20:11-18
Colossians 3:12-16
Luke 18:18-27

Monday, January 17

Wisdom of Solomon 5:15-6:3
Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9
Wisdom of Solomon 4:7-15
Matthew 11:27-30
Hebrews 13:17-21
Luke 6:17-23
Hebrews 11:17-23, 27-31
Mark 8:11-21

Tuesday, January 18

Hebrews 12:25-26, 13:22-25
Mark 8:22-26

Wednesday, January 19

James 1:1-18
Mark 8:30-34

Thursday, January 20

Wisdom of Solomon 5:15-6:3
Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9
Wisdom of Solomon 4:7-15
Matthew 11:27-30
Hebrews 13:17-21
Luke 6:17-23

James 1:19-27
Mark 9:10-16

Friday, January 21

James 2:1-13
Mark 9:33-41

Saturday, January 22

Colossians 1:3-6
Luke 14:1-11

Sunday, January 23

John 20:19-31
1 Timothy 1:15-17
Luke 18:35-43

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Sunday, January 16

30th Sunday After Pentecost
Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and All-glorious Apostle Peter
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours read
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour to follow

Monday, January 17

Venerable and Godbearing Father Anthony the Great (356)

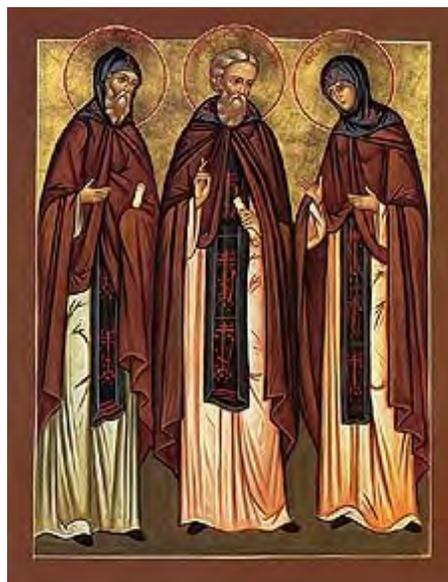
Tuesday, January 18

Ss. Athanasius the Great (373) and Cyril (444), Archbishops of Alexandria

Wednesday, January 19

Ven. Macarius the Great of Egypt

WEEKLY SCHEDULE 2022



Saint Cyril and his wife Maria

Thursday, January 20

Ven. Euthymius the Great (473)
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours read
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Friday, January 21

Ven. Maximus the Confessor (662)

Saturday, January 22

Apostle Timothy of the Seventy (96)
5:15 PM Panichida for Joshua Zdinak
6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, January 23

31st Sunday After Pentecost
New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours read
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour to follow