

FOLLOW THIS GUIDE FOR SPIRITUAL SUCCESS

You may be aware that the Church has laid out a path for us to achieve **SPIRITUAL SUCCESS.**

Today we highlight several steps that can lead us to daily victory and an abundant life. They encompass the FOUR H's:

HUMILITY
HOLINESS
HEALTH
&
HONOR



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HOLY MYSTERIES

VISITATIONS OF THE SICK AND INFIRM – If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Father Stephen at the Rectory. Our hospitalization code for Christiana and Wilmington Hospitals is **UKR**.

EMERGENCY CALLS – Please call the Rectory anytime (day or night) in an Emergency!

BAPTISMS – Celebrated by appointment.

CROWNING IN MARRIAGE – Please discuss timing with Father prior to setting a date. At least six months notice is needed. There are three 2-hour courses that must be attended prior to the Wedding.

BULLETIN DEADLINE – The deadline for getting information printed in the Weekly Bulletin is Wednesday.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS – For the Needs of the Parish; 2nd Youth Ministry

July 14, 2024
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Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of July 14 - 21, 2024
Celebrating our 97th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, July 14 - 3rd Sunday after Pentecost –Tone 2 – Patronal Feastday

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful – Chrismation of Peter

Patronal Feast day Luncheon – Feeding the Homeless

Tuesday, July 16

6:30 PM – Parish Board Meeting

Wednesday, July 17

8:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

7:00 PM – Bible Study

Thursday, July 18

7:00 AM – Special Intention – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, July 20

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy (Holy Trinity - Whaleyville, MD)

Panakhya: +Estelle Hlywiak (14 Yr.)

12:00 Noon – 5:00 PM - Hall Rental

5:00 PM – Divine Liturgy – (St. Nicholas – Dover, DE)

Sunday, July 21 - 4th Sunday after Pentecost –Tone 3 – Graduate Sunday

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Panakhya: +Rose (40 Yr.); John, Sr (85 Yr); +Theodore (42 Yr); +Matthew (76 Yr); +Theresa (43 Yr); +Carl, Sr. (20 Yr); +Mark (42 Yr); Jon-Matthew (52 Yr); +Frances (26 Yr) & +Mara (23 Yr) – Carl Krauthauser

Special Coffee Hour

SCRIPTURE READINGS

3rd Sunday – Matins: Mark 16:9-20; Liturgy: Romans 5:1-10; Matthew 6:22-33

Monday – Romans 9:18-33; Matthew 11:2-15

Tuesday – Romans 10:11-11:2; Matthew 11:16-20

Wednesday – Romans 11:2-12; Matthew 11:20-26

Thursday – Romans 11:13-24; Matthew 11:27-30

Friday – Romans 11:25-36; Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday – Romans 6:11-17; Matthew 8:14-23

4th Sunday – Matins: Luke 24:1-12; Liturgy: Romans 6:18-23; Matthew 8:5-13

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul came to be observed early in the history of the Church. Although they died at different times and places in the city of Rome, their commemoration has universally been kept on the same day to highlight the central role they had in the foundation of the early Church. It is for this same reason that they are called the “Leaders of the Apostles” in the Liturgy.

Saint Peter whose original name was Simon, was a fisherman in Galilee when Jesus called him to be His disciple. “Come after Me and I will make you fishers of men” (Matthew 4:19). After Jesus’ Ascension, Peter was the spokesman of the Apostles and a witness of Christ’s divinity. He delivered the first sermon on Pentecost and received the first Gentiles into the Church. From Jerusalem He went to preach the Gospel in Asia at Antioch (Galatians 2:11), then to Cappadocia, Galatia, Pontus and finally Rome. He was crucified head downward, most probably in 67 AD.

Saint Paul, known as Saul before his conversion, was born at Tarsus in the Roman province of Cilicia. As a youth, he went to Jerusalem to receive his education in Judaism from the celebrated Rabbi, Gamaliel (Acts 22:3). At the time of Jesus’ ministry he had already left Jerusalem. Saul did not see the Lord during His earthly ministry. By the grace of God, Saul was miraculously converted on the way to Damascus around the year 34 AD. After receiving Baptism, Paul left for a long retreat in Arabia to prepare for his future mission. He was most zealous to preach the Gospel of Christ to the world. He established many churches and visited many others. To these he wrote numerous letters which form a significant part of the New Testament canonical writings.

The Liturgy hails the chief Apostles with beautifully composed hymns. Peter is called the “rock of faith” and Paul “pride of the universe”. Together they are celebrated as “luminaries of those in darkness, two rays of the sun, pillars of divine doctrines and friends of Christ.” (Matins Hymn)

SHORT BIOGRAPHIES OF THE TWELVE

SIMON, PETER - Born in Bethsaida in Galilee, he was a fisherman and was named by Jesus Christ "Cephas" (in Greek, Peter), and called to be a fisher of men, an Apostle. In all lists of the Twelve he is named first, and belonged to the inner group of Apostles. He was present at the Transfiguration and at the Agony of Christ. When he professed his belief that Jesus is the Christ, the Lord promised that "You art Peter and on this rock will I build My Church", meaning on the rock of faith in the Savior. Peter's confession of faith was soon followed by a sharp rebuke from the Lord. Peter said that he would never leave his Lord, and was answered by the prediction of his triple denial, which later took place. Later, Peter made reparation for his triple denial by a triple protestation of love. After the Ascension, Peter took the leadership of the Apostles. He spoke on the day of Pentecost and was the first to perform a miracle in the name of Jesus. He accepted Cornelius for baptism and thus opened the Church to the Gentiles. His authority is evident at the Apostles' Council at Jerusalem, although Paul rebuked him for giving in to the demands of the Jewish Christians to disassociate himself from the Gentiles. Peter is the founder of the Church in Antioch. He probably went to Rome and was crucified head downward during the reign of Nero (54-68).

ANDREW - A disciple of John the Baptist, Andrew heard him refer to Jesus as the Lamb of God. Andrew asked for an audience and saw Jesus for a day, then proclaimed, "We have found the Messiah," in itself a creed and confession for the Christian faith. He brought his brother, Simon-Peter, to Christ. Although not one of the inner circle, he played the first role in several events which are recorded. Eusebius in his Church History states that Andrew later went to Scythia (Ukraine). According to tradition he was martyred at Patras, Greece, crucified on an X-shaped cross, which since has become known as St. Andrew's Cross. He is regarded as being connected with the writing of St. John's Gospel. According to tradition, he is the founder of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople.

JAMES (The Greater) - He was the son of Zebedee. He, with his elder brother John and with Peter, constituted the privileged group-the inner circle of the disciples. James was present at the Transfiguration and the Agony in Gethsemane. His zeal was ardent and he and his brother were named by the Lord "Boanerges", which means "sons of thunder". James was beheaded by Herod Agrippa I in A. D. 44, the first of the Twelve to suffer martyrdom. A theory that he preached in Spain is counter to the tradition of the Church and the Epistle to the Romans, 15, 20 and 24, which concur that he did not leave Jerusalem. According to an old Spanish tradition, the body of St. James was transferred to Santiago de Compostela, Spain, where St. James was one of the most revered Spanish saints during the Middle Ages.

JOHN - He was one of the inner circle with Peter and James. The son of Zebedee, he and his brother James were named the "sons of thunder". John is the author of the fourth Gospel, the Book of Revelation and three Catholic Epistles. He was imprisoned with Peter and later appeared in the Sanhedrin. John also was sent with Peter to Samaria, where they prayed that the converts might receive the Holy Spirit. In Jerusalem, he was present at the Council of the Apostles. John was "one of the two" with Andrew who first had an audience with the Lord, He was the one "whom Jesus loved" and who reclined on his bosom at the Mystic Supper. Jesus from His Cross entrusted His mother to John at the foot of the cross. He was the one who ran with Peter to the tomb on the morning of the Resurrection, and who recognized the Risen Lord at the Sea of Tiberius, where our Lord spoke to him the words that he would not die (John 21,7). According to tradition, he went to Asia Minor and settled in Ephesus. Later he was exiled to Patmos, an island.

PHILLIP - He is the Apostle from Bethsaida who obeyed the call of Jesus and led Nathanael to Christ. At the feeding of the 5,000 people, Jesus said to Phillip to buy bread, and Phillip answered Him, "Two hundred denarii would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." Phillip on another occasion asked Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father and Jesus retorted, "Yet you; do, not know me Phillip?" Phillip the Apostle should not be confused with Phillip, one of the seven Deacons. The Apostle Phillip preached the Gospel in Asia and suffered crucifixion, according to tradition.

BARTHOLOMEW - His name is patronymic, meaning "son of Tolmai". Sometimes he is identified with Nathaneal whom Phillip led to Christ. According to the historian Eusebius, when Pantainus of Alexandria visited India between 150 and 200 A. D., he found there the Gospel according to Matthew left behind by Bartholomew one of the Apostles. According to tradition, Bartholomew was flayed to death at Albanapolis in Armenia.

MATTHEW - He was the evangelist who was a Jew and a tax-collector referred to as Levi before he was called by Christ, Whom he followed. He is the author of the First Gospel. In his genealogy of Jesus Christ, he emphasizes the Lord's human nature and origin. Therefore, in Christian symbolism, Matthew has been represented by the figure of man (cf Rev 4.7). The icon of Matthew in the Orthodox Church is to be found in one of the four triangles which are formed by the arches connected to the dome of the Church.

THOMAS - He was called the Twin. On the way to Bethany He offered to die with Jesus. He interrupted the last discourse of Jesus with the question "We know not where You are going; how can we know the way?" Thomas doubted the Resurrection of Christ unless he were to touch the wounds of the Risen Lord, but later confessed his faith in Him: "My Lord and My God"-the first to confess so explicitly the Lord's divinity. According to

tradition, Thomas evangelized the Parthians. The Syrian Christians of Malabar called themselves "Christians of St. Thomas" and claimed they were evangelized by the Apostle Thomas, who was martyred and buried at Mylapore near Madras.

JAMES (THE LESSER) - He was the son of Alphaeus. Was he the Lord's relative? This is doubted. Was he James the younger (or the "lesser", Mtt. 15, 40)? There are insufficient reasons to establish this either. Nothing is known of him.

SIMON - He was called Cananaean and Zealot, two terms of the same Hebrew word. According to the Apocryphal "Passion of Simon and Jude", both of them preached and underwent martyrdom in Persia. In the New Testament, Simon, one of the brethren of the Lord, was identified with Simon the Apostle. There were many others bearing the same name in the New Testament.

JUDE - He is the Apostle referred to in the Gospel as "Judas of James", "Judas not the Iscariot". He also is known as Thaddaeus or Lebbaeus. Jude was the brother of James (or the son of James RV), the "brethren of the Lord"-the Lord's relative. Jude is the author of the Epistle of Jude. The Apocryphal "Passion of Simon and Jude" depicted them in Persia where they preached and underwent martyrdom.

JUDAS ISCARIOT - A selected Apostle, one of the Twelve, he betrayed Christ to the Jewish Sanhedrin-the supreme council and highest court of justice in Jerusalem-and kissed the Lord at the time of the arrest. He later committed suicide. The title "Iscariot", meaning in the Hebrew "man of Kerioth", a place in South Palestine, implies that Judas was from Judea. He was the only one from there, whereas the other Apostles were from Galilee. After his suicide the Apostles elected Matthias to replace him as one of the Twelve Apostles.

NEW COVENANT APOSTLES HANDED DOWN

The Church of Jesus Christ started in Bethlehem with His birth in the manger it was sanctioned in His presence with angels and shepherds worshipping Him. The Church was developed and enriched through Christ's efforts in Palestine, and was established with His Cross on Golgotha. Finally, after the Resurrection of its Lord, the Church flourished in the upper room in Jerusalem with "tongues of fire" of the Holy Spirit guiding the Apostles in triumph.

Thus Jesus Christ, the Founder and Lord of the new sacred society, bequeathed his precious endowment to His Church and made it the treasurer of salvation and eternal freedom. The Church of Christ, to which saints and sinners belong, constitutes His Sacred Body forever. It is, indeed, the realm of His Covenant, which the Apostles received from

Christ and handed down to us. What is this Covenant? The Lord's new will of life was wrought by Himself and handed down to all generations for all time. It contains the long-awaited reconciliation between God and man. It is the new covenant through the mercies of God, and empowered by His Son-the incarnate Logos.

What is the content of this covenant, and who is the warrantor who secures its riches to its heirs? Christ and His Gospel are the answer to both questions. In Him man is destined to live anew, crossing again into Eden, the Kingdom of Heaven. This is the New Covenant which the Apostles received and handed down. The new covenant is "good news of a great joy". Its title was given by the angel proclaiming in Luke 2, 10, 11 that "to you is born . . . a Savior . . . Christ the Lord," in Bethlehem at the incarnation of the Logos. The contents of this covenant were endorsed in Christ's baptism with His Father's statement, "You are My beloved Son" (3,22). Indeed, "God so loved the world, that He gave His Only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life" (John 3, 16). ' John the Baptist bore witness to Him, and in his admiration for Him proclaimed, "Behold the Lamb of God." The signature on this covenant was placed by Christ's new order of Love at His mystic supper-the new testament-and ratified by His Cross and His last words, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." Lastly, the eternal seal was placed on this covenant by His triumphal Resurrection, assuring the victory and joy of life.

This covenant was heralded by the First-called Apostle Andrew in his conviction and exclamation that "we have found the Messiah," and his brother Peter's confession, "Thou art the Christ." His believers and devoted followers are destined to cover the globe in all centuries. His reign is everlasting. This mighty covenant of reconciliation-the New Testament and Will-was handed down to the Church and entrusted to the hands of the eyewitnesses, the Apostles of Christ. They proclaimed the Orthodox faith in the True God and organized the new divine society in local Churches for men to believe and worship the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, One living Triune God. The Apostles are the first golden links in our inherited Faith, which we today so dearly proclaim. The Lord sent them and the faithful accepted and honor them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to Victor Fomin, 7/16. May God grant him a very happy birthday and keep him for many, happy and blessed years!

MAKING PYROHY – We will be making pyrohy on Saturday, July 27 & Saturday, August 24.

GRADUATE SUNDAY – due to Father having to be away this week, Graduate Sunday will be celebrated on (July 21). Please give to Father Stephen the name of the graduate from kindergarten, High School college or university with the name of the school, where the student will attend the next year or the degree (college) and where the graduate will go from here. All entries must be in by Sunday, June 7th. Thank you.

MEETINGS

PARISH BOARD – Tuesday, July 16 @ 6:30 PM

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)

July 14 - Sonya Patronik and John Plachuta

July 21 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas

July 28 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas

August 4 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik

August 11 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of July 15 - Mark & Laura Andreas

Week of July 22 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of July 29 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Week of August 5- Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi

Week of August 12 - Nancy Hlwiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus

Week of August 19 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of August 26 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 14 - Sandy Cramer

July 21 - Sonya Patronik

July 28 - David and Eve Lazaration

August 4 - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur

August 11 – Kathy and Michael Chalfont

We need more Greeters!! If you would like to volunteer, please see Father Stephen

DONATIONS (CREDIT CARDS) ACCEPTED – for those who are interested, we can accept donations to the Church through credit cards. See Mark Andreas for details.

TENTATIVE CALENDER OF EVENTS

Sunday, July 14 – Patronal Dinner

Saturday, July 20 – Hall Rented

Saturday, August 3 – UOL Flea Market

Saturday, November 2 – Fall Bazaar

Tuesday, November 26 – Community Thanksgiving Service – Atonement Methodist

SCHEDULING FOR THE PARISH – Please remember that all events, work parties, use of the hall must be cleared through the calendar kept by Father Stephen so that dueling events can be avoided.

READERS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 14 - Andrew Duncan

July 21 - Thomas Sulpizi

July 28 – Pani Elizabeth Hutnick

August 4 – Jean Roeth

August 11 – Linda Hnatow

August 18 – Andrew Duncan

August 25 - Thomas Scholtz

We need more Readers, if you would like to volunteer, please see Father Stephen

FEEDING THE HUNGRY – Our next session of preparing food for the Homeless is on Sunday, July 14 (our Patronal Feast Day) to be delivered on Monday, July 15. We will need everyone's help after the Patronal Dinner.

UOL FLEA MARKET – is fast approaching: Saturday, August 3. Now is the time to start saving your treasures. More as it comes closer for the drop off dates.

PATRON'S PATH – We will be taking orders for replacement bricks that will be engraved and placed in the Path. Just as before, each brick can have the clip art of a three bar Cross or it can be plain. The donation for the bricks is: 4" x 8" engraved brick is \$150 – with the clip art \$175; 8" x 8" engraved brick is \$200 - with the clip art \$225; 12"x 12" engraved brick is \$250 – with the clip art \$275. If you didn't get the chance to be a part of the Patron's Path before, take the opportunity now and tell your family members as well. Please see Father Stephen if you would like to place an order.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan Antony, Archbishop Daniel, Archimandrite Raphael, Father George Bazylevsky, Father Gus Christo, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Andrew Molewski, Father John Nakonechney, Father James Norton, Father Gerald Ozlanski, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Father Michael Zaparyniuk, Matushka Andrejuk, Matushka Laura Odell, Matushka Lisa Weremedic, Pani Matka Oksanna Bazylevsky, Pain Matka Marianne Ozlanski, Matka Annette Zaparyniuk, , Alicia, Nerry, Mykola, Brennan, Henry, Deborah, Galina, Dolores, Julian, Madison, Maria, Marie, Matt, Michele, Mykola, Penelope, Rita, Ryan, Jonathan Angelo, Randy Allen, Carolyn Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Stephania Bacha, Joyce Belles, Neil Belles, Joyce Bendoakas, Ethel Bernhard, Yaroslav Bilinsky, Irene Billon, James Bolton, Maria Borowenski, Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, Thomas Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Kathy Chalfont, Erik Colazo, Alex Czernik, Michael Dalaski, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, Paula Daubert, William Dewhurst, Peter DiVirgilio, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Margaret Durell, Mary Eagleton, Maria Economou, Mary Eagleton, Rose Eldridge, Thomas Fagan, Archantula Fanjoy, Mary Farrell, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovniou, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Richard Haslam, Rick Hastings, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Alicia Hlywak, John Hlywak, John Hnatow, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Joette Jago, Stephen Johnson, Linda Josepinson, Michael Kapelus, Walter Katolik, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Ludmyla Krawchenko, Mykola Krawchenko, Sue Kreisa-Christian, Marlene Kuhar, Ron Lazaration, Karen Livick, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Jeremy Madea, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Frederick McCarthy, Beth McKirachan, Fred McKirachan, Stephen McNulty, Ronald Michel, Mary Ann Michalcewicz, Michelle Michalcewiz, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Ann Nester, Laurie Newman, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry, Janilyn Bernice Pinkowicz, Daphne Pantelopulos, George Pantelopulos, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Jeff Rozwadowski, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, David Scharba, Isaac Schmidt, Joella Seale, Clay Seman, John Serth, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Alexandra Sparco, Natalia Stanford, Rich Steinman, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Michael Synczyszyn, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Lydia Thomas, Michael Tilson, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Mariel Trimble, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Peter Weremedic, Laura Worley, Jack Ziegler & James Zook.

HUMILITY is this quality that makes us more like Jesus. Do not forget that pride is the first step towards a fall. Consider for a moment the humility our Lord displayed. He had a humble birth in a stable. During His ministry, Christ took upon Himself the form of a servant. He came to serve, not be served. In the end Jesus was obedient thru His painful death on the cross, dying for our salvation.

HOLINESS identifies us as Christians. We must have reverence and trust in our one true God. We recognize what we have done wrong, vow repentance and turn to Jesus for the remission of our sins. He is our example. By trusting in Christ as our Saviour, we receive the power to overcome hardship.

HEALTH of both body and soul will improve because of our holy lifestyle. There certainly are physical and spiritual benefits to be had. We are able to forgive because we have been forgiven. We can stop worrying because we have learned to trust God. We are able to find true joy because we walk in God's will.

HONOR the Lord with all your heart. Our Lord asked us to be charitable and giving of our riches. In doing so, God increases His Blessings. There is a phrase that goes: Fear says, "I'm afraid to give" while Faith says, "I'm so blessed I cannot withhold."

As we reflect inward, we must ask if we have been using these four basic keys to spiritual success. By doing so, our daily quality of life will be greatly improved.