

# SS. PETER & PAUL

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**Gospel Reading ~ Matthew 6:22-33**

**Epistle Reading ~ Romans 5:1-10**

**All Saints of Britain and Ireland**

## This Week at a Glance

### Wed, June 20th

6:00 pm - Akathist to Ss Peter & Paul

### Sat, June 23rd

6:00 pm - Great Vespers

### Sun, June 24th

9:00 pm - 3rd & 6th Hours

9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

## **Gospel Meditation**

In today's Gospel, Jesus says that the light of the body is the eye. If the eye is light, so the body will be light. But if the eye is dark, so the body will be dark. By 'eye' is meant the soul, for the eye is the window of the soul. In these words Our Lord says that we are not to blame our bodies for our sins. Our bodies are the servants of our souls. If our souls are corrupted, then so also will be our bodies. On the other hand, if our souls are clean, then our bodies will also be clean. It is not our bodies which control our lives, or even our minds, but our souls. And it is our souls that we are called on to cleanse, cultivate and refine first of all. It is the spiritual which has primacy in our lives. Once our souls are clean, then our minds and our bodies will also be cleaned.

Neither can we serve two Masters, the master of the material world and the master of the spiritual world. One must be superior to the other. Thus we cannot serve God, the master of the spiritual, and Mammon, the master of the fallen world. The word Mammon is simply the word in the language spoken by Christ for 'money'. This saying runs counter to the whole ideology of modernity. Our societies are called 'capitalist', for they are based on investments, stock exchanges, 'capital', in other words, money. Indeed the whole modern world is ruled by currencies, whether the dollar or some other currency dependent on the dollar. Furthermore, the philosophy which guides modern governments and much of human nature is called 'monetarism', in other words the belief in the primacy of money in human life and human motivation. Such a philosophy causes panic and depression both among those who have no money and also among those who have a lot, for such a philosophy excludes God from the workings of society and men, basing everything on the idolatry of paper and electronic numbers.

We can see this in our own lives and in the lives of those around us. In the last few years we have all known apparently impossible circumstances and situations, dead ends, which have been resolved by unexpected events. Those unexpected events are solutions which have come from the providential love of God. As they say: 'Man proposes, but God disposes'. The fact is that we do not always, if ever, know what is best, simply because we do not have a long-term view, let alone the eternal view of God which utterly changes all our perspectives. However, 'Your Father knows you need all these things', says Christ. And He tells us that if we put the spiritual first, then all other things will work out around that: 'Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all those things will be added unto you'.

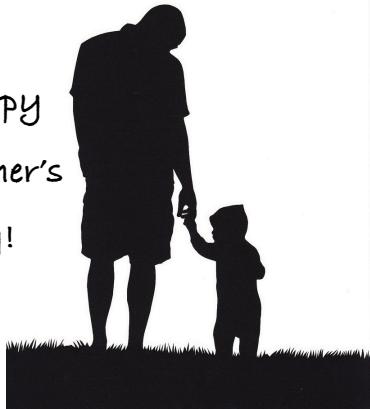
## **Parish Council**

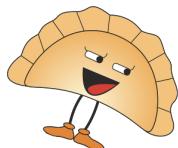
The June Parish Council meeting has been rescheduled to Monday, June, 25th at 6:30pm.

## **Panikhida**

Today's panikhida is offered in memory of **Fr. THEODORE FEDEROFF**.

Happy  
Father's  
Day!





## Pierogi Making

There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board for the **June 26th** peeling and **June 27th** pinching. We are almost there for our Food Festival. Please come if you can!

## Food Festival Supplies

As we have done in previous years, leading up to the Food Festival in August, we are soliciting donations for various supplies we will need over the weekend. It is important to have uniformity in our products, so rather than going and purchasing items you may think we will need, stop by the bulletin board where you will find different envelopes with the supplies needed. Put your cash or heck donation in the envelope and give it to Sam Jacob. The more supplies donated, the more profit our parish makes. Thanks you for your generous support.

## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Jonathan and Larissa Rozycki on the birth of their son! Everyone is happy and healthy!! Baby boy was born 11:25 Sunday the 10th and was 8lbs 4 ozs 19 inches long.

No name quite yet. They look forward to introducing him to the parish as soon as possible! May God grant them all many happy and healthy years!



## All Saints of the British Isles & Ireland

For more than a millennium, the British Isles were an Orthodox land. The holy Faith having first been brought to these islands by the Apostle of the Seventy, St Aristobulus, Orthodoxy found a home in the hearts of thousands who were united to Christ and sanctified by the ascetical life. Only from AD 1066 did this situation begin to change, as foreign conquest imposed alien traditions and beliefs upon an ancient Orthodox people.

The result of this long Orthodox history is that the British Isles are replete with countless Orthodox saints. Some of these are well known, while others are much less widely known. Some of the most well known saints are: Aidan of Lindisfarne, Alban, Amphibalus, Apostle Aristobulus, Augustine of Canterbury, Bede, Beuno the Wonderworker, Birinus of Dorchester, Birnstan of Winchester, Boniface, Bosa of York, Brendan the Navigator, Brigid of Kildare, Brychan of Brecknock, Brynach Caedmon, Caintigern of Loch Lomond, Cedd of Lastingham, Chad of Lichfield, Chad of Mercia, Colman of Lindisfarne, Columba of Iona, Constantine of Cornwall and Govan, Constantine of Strathclyde, Cuthbert of Lindisfarne David of Wales, Donald of Ogilvy, Dubricius of Caerleon, Dunstan of Canterbury, Dyfan of Merthyr, Dymphna, Dúnchad mac Cinn Fáelad Eanswythe of Folkestone, Earconwald of London, Edmund the Martyr, Edred of England, King Edward the Martyr, Etheldreda of Ely Gildas, Guthlac of Crowland Harold of England, Helen of Caernarfon, Hilda of Whitby Iona, Jarlath of Tuam John of Beverley, Joseph of Arimathea, Julius and Aaron, Justinian of Ramsey Island, Justus Kentigern of Glasgow, Kevin of Glendalough, Kingsmark Laurence of Canterbury Materiana of Cornwall, Mellitus The Nine Maidens Odo of Canterbury, Oswald of Northumbria Patrick of Ireland, Peter of Canterbury Samson of Dol, Sexburga of Ely, Sigfrid of Växjö, Theodore of Tarsus Whitby Abbey, Wilfrid, Willibrord



3rd Sunday After Pentecost

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