



## St. Vladimir Orthodox Church

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### Apostles of the Seventy: Erastus, Olympas, Herodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertius November 10, 2019

#### **Troparion – Tone 4**

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: “Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, // granting the world great mercy!”

#### **Troparion – Tone 3**

Holy Apostles, Erástus, Olýmpas, Heródion, Sosipáter, Qúartus and Tértius, entreat the merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions!

#### **Kontakion – Tone 4**

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, // He has risen on the third day!

#### **Kontakion – Tone 2**

Illumined by divine light, O holy Apostles, ye wisely destroyed the works of idolatry. When ye caught all the pagans ye brought them to the Master and taught them to glorify the Trinity.

#### **Prokeimenon – Tone 4**

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all.

*v: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, Thou art very great!*

#### **Apostles of the Seventy: Erastus, Olympas, Herodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertius**

The holy Apostles Erastus, Sosipater (April 28), Olympas (January 4), Rodion (April 8), Quartus and Tertius (October 30) were disciples of Saint Paul. They all lived during the first century.

The Apostle to the Gentiles speaks of them in the Epistle to the Romans, “And Erastus, the city treasurer, greets you, and Quartus, a brother” (Rom 16: 23).

Saint Sosipater, a native of Achaia, was Bishop of Iconium, where he also died. Saint Paul mentions him in Romans 16:21.

Saint Olympas was mentioned by the holy Apostle Paul (Rom 16:15). He was also a companion of the Apostle Peter. Saint Rodion (Herodion), was a kinsman of the Apostle Paul (Romans 16:11), and left the bishop’s throne at Patras to go to Rome with the Apostle Peter. Saints Rodion and Olympas were beheaded on the very day and hour when Saint Peter was crucified.

Saint Quartus endured much suffering for his piety and converted many pagans to Christ, dying peacefully as a bishop in the city of Beirut.

Saint Tertius is mentioned in the Epistle to the Romans, "I, Tertius, who wrote this epistle, salute you in the Lord" (Rom 16:22). Saint Tertius, to whom Saint Paul dictated the Epistle to the Romans, was the second Bishop of Iconium, where also he died.

### **Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20**

knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

### **Gospel: Luke 10:25-37**

And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" So he answered and said, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

### **Service Schedule for the week of November 10**

**Today** – 9:00 AM Sunday School, 9:45 AM Hours, 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Turkey Social in Daria Hall

**Saturday, November 16** – 5:00 PM Vespers followed by Confession

**Sunday, November 17** – 9:00 Sunday School, 9:45 AM Hours, 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

### **Weekly Giving**

November 3 – 45 adults, 11 youth, \$2,417

### **Parish Announcements**

The annual Turkey Social will be held today starting at 12:30 PM. Food will be available for purchase prior to the start of the Turkey Social. There is no regular Coffee Hour today.

There will be a Parish Council meeting this Tuesday, November 12, at 7:00 PM.

The Nativity Fast begins this Friday, November 15. Please remember to participate in the sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion prior to our Lord's Nativity.

Bible Study classes are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 PM. The next two classes will be held on November 13 and November 26.

Upcoming Panikhidas (after Divine Liturgy):

Sunday November 17 - Tirenén, Babicz and Ergunoff families

Sunday November 24 - Lenore and Michael Sadowski

The Senior R Club is participating in the FOCA Seminarian Family Christmas Wish Program again this year. As in the past, we are asking our parish family to participate in this program with us to financially help our assigned Seminarian family – the Winn’s (Fr. David, Mat. Destinie, daughters Adelaide and Elizabeth) from St. Vladimir Seminary. Starting today there will be a collection basket in the back of the church behind the pews where monetary donations may be left (checks should be made payable to St. Vladimir Senior R Club). The money will be used to purchase gift cards that the family has requested. Or donations of the following gift cards in any denomination would be appreciated: Marshalls, Trader Joe’s, Target, Amazon, MasterCard, or VISA. Gift cards may be given to Paul Kavchok, Ludwig Koerte, Nina Laushell, or Darice Keyes no later than Sunday December 1st in order to mail them to the Winn family so they have time to shop before Christmas. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Mark your calendars –

- \* Sunday School Christmas Yolka - Sunday December 15. The children will start rehearsing next Sunday November 3.
- \* Christmas Cookie Bake Sale - Sunday December 22 after Divine Liturgy. Cookie trays will be assembled on Saturday December 21.
- \* Senior R Club Fundraiser January 12 – Chicken Parm Sandwich Sale
- \* Annual Parish Meeting - Sunday January 26; Senior R Club fundraiser soup and hot dog sale