

Martyr Kyriake of Nicomedia

(July 7)

Saint Kyriake was the only child of Dorotheus and Eusebia. Since she was born on a Sunday (Kyriake, in Greek). One day a wealthy magistrate wished to betroth Kyriake to his son. The magistrate went to her parents to request her hand, but St. Kyriake told him that she wished to remain a virgin, for she had dedicated herself to Christ.

The magistrate was angered by her words, so he went to the emperor Diocletian to denounce the saint and her parents as Christians who mocked the idols, and refused to offer sacrifice to them.

Diocletian sent soldiers to arrest the family and have them brought before him. He asked them why they would not honor the gods which he himself honored. They told him that these were false gods, and that Christ was the one true God.

Diocletian sent St. Kyriake to be interrogated by his son-in-law and co-ruler Maximian who urged her not to throw her life away, promising her wealth and marriage to one of Diocletian's relatives if she would worship the pagan gods. St. Kyriake replied that she would never renounce Christ, nor did she desire worldly riches. Enraged by her bold answer, Maximian had her flogged.

That night Christ appeared to her and healed her wounds. When Hilarion saw her the next day, he declared that she had been healed by the gods because they pitied her. Then Hilarion urged her to go to the temple to give thanks to the gods. She told him that she had been healed by Christ, but agreed to go to the temple.

In the temple, St. Kyriake prayed that God would destroy the soulless idols. Suddenly, there was a great earthquake which toppled the idols, shattering them to pieces. Everyone fled the temple in fear, leaving Hilarion behind. Instead of recognizing the power of Christ, the eparch blasphemed the true God as the destroyer of his pagan gods. He was struck by a bolt of lightning and died on the spot.

St. Kyriake was tortured again. When she was cast into a fire, the flames were extinguished. When she was thrown to wild beasts, they became tame and gentle. Therefore, Apollonius sentenced her to death by the sword. She was permitted time to pray, so she asked God to receive her soul, and to remember those who honored her martyrdom. Just as St. Kyriake ended her prayer, angels took her soul before the soldiers could strike off her head. Pious Christians took her relics and buried them in a place of honor.

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ALL SAINTS OF NORTH AMERICA

COMMEMORATIONS:

Thomas the Righteous of Malea, Kyriake the Great Martyr, Akakios of Sinai, Willibald, Bishop of Eichstatt

Tone 1 - Eothinon 2

Orthros Gospel: St. Mark 16:1-8

Epistle: Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5

Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 4:18-23

TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION - Tone 1 - While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding thy most pure Body, thou didst arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto thee, O Giver of life: Glory to thy resurrection, O Christ! Glory to thy kingdom! Glory to thy providence, O thou who alone art the Lover of mankind!

APOLYTIKION FOR SAINT KYRIAKI - Tone 5 - Thou didst prove an auspicious and pleasing sacrifice, a holy off'ring, O valiant prizewinner Kyriaki, when thou broughtest thy Creator thine own spotless soul; which Christ in turn hath glorified, for through thee, He poureth forth divine gifts and endless graces upon the faithful who praise thee, since He is the Friend of man.

TODAY:

- ◆ ORTHROS, 8:45 a.m.
- ◆ DIVINE LITURGY, 10 a.m.
-Chilbert Baptism-
- ◆ Coffee Hour after Liturgy

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Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm

Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. Please contact them directly or call the church office.

Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

This Week:

Next Week (July 14):

COFFEE HOUR: Chilbert
 PROSPHORA BREAD: Kristi Moore
 ALTAR CANDLES: Gohls (20th Anniversary)
 USHERS: John Nicholuson & Bill Henry
 CLEANING TEAM: Taylor & Bethany H., Nick T. & Zach F.
 COFFEE HOUR TEAM: Sh. Hannah, Eric, Christian, Zach W., Zach F.

Bagels
 Gabriela Plesa & Rachel Chebeleu
 Gamble & Tinjale
 Todd M. & Dimirti Mimaros
 Nick & Stephaine M. & Chris H.
 Miriam, Conor, Daniel, Laura

Mark Your Calendar:

Fort Washington Mission Chapel Liturgy
July 14 @ 9:00 a.m.

Prophora Baking Workshop
July 20 @ 2:30 p.m.

VCS 2024
July 29-Aug 2

Dormition Fast - August 1-14
Daily Liturgy & Paraklesis

Transfiguration
August 5-6

Dormition of the Theotokos
August 14-15

International Food Festival
September 20-21

Pray For:

Living	Deceased
Faithful of the Holy Land	A.P. Basil
Met. Onuphry and faithful of Ukraine	A.P. James (B)
Faithful of Ethiopia & Eritrea	(July Parish Diptychs)
Pr. Andrew, family, & parishioners	+Asma
	+Albert
	+Dorothy
	+Dorothea
	+Irene
	+Stavros
	+Ressom
	+Iwan
	+Theresa
	+Fuad
	+Helen
	+Christine
	+John
Kh. Joyce	
George	
Maria	
Grace	
Patrick	
Doris	
John	
James	
Victoria	
Steve	
Lasha	
Otari	
Tatiana	
Christine	
Anesia	
Marion	

Catechumens

Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary, & all Missionaries
 Nathan & family, John, & all seminarians
 New & Expectant Mothers & their children
 For the people of our land, and their repentance, healing & unity
 The 12 Baskets Full team asks for prayers for our homeless Philly friends
 –George, Bill, Jim, Jalil, Mark, Joel, Eric

Lucretia
 Andrew
 Ryan
 Michael
 Daniel
 Kassandra
 Christian
 David, Darby, & Easton
 Rose
 Jasper
 Bryson
 Catherine
 Matthew
 Matthew
 Mary

PROSPHORA BAKING CLASS — Mark your calendar!

Where: Great room and kitchen.

Who: Anyone interested in joining the Prophora baking team, please ask for Fr Noah's blessing and then contact Gabi or Catalin Tinjala.

What to bring:

If you have an 9 inch round pan you can bring your pan.
 Flour, yeast and Prophora stamp will be provided.
 We will also have the pans with the stamp on the bottom.

JULY OUTREACH COLLECTION:

Oral Care Products

SPECIAL APPEAL for VCS

Three ways you can help as we are gearing up for another **Vacation Church School**, of growth in faith and love for God:

- 1) See Kate Gohl about volunteering;
- 2) Pray for Fr. Noah, leaders, and students;
- 3) Consider offering a financial gift to cover expenses.

This Week:

Monday, July 8: Office open

Tues, July 9: Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.

Wed, July 10: Office open
Compline & Patristic Reading 6:30 p.m.

Thurs, July 11: Twelve Baskets Full 6:30 p.m.

Friday, July 12: Office open
Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.

Sat, July 13: Great VESPERS 6:30 p.m.
Confession 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, July 14:
Fathers of the Fourth Council
Ft. Washington Mission Chapel 9 a.m.
ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.
DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 a.m.
 Coffee Hour after Liturgy

ATTENDANCE: Vespers for June 29: 36 Divine Liturgy for June 30: 183
OFFERINGS FOR JUNE 30: Candles, \$401. Collections, \$657. Book Shelf Ministry, \$21. Needy Fund, \$65. Hospitality, \$27. Stewardship, \$5,636.81.
 Total received: \$6,893.77.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!