

Apostle Aquila of the Seventy (July 14)

Saint Aquila, Apostle of the 70: It is possible that he was a disciple of the Apostle Paul, a native of Pontus and a Jew, living in the city of Rome with his wife Priscilla (they are commemorated on February 13 on the Greek Calendar).

During the reign of the emperor Claudius (41-54) all the Jews were banished from Rome, so Saint Aquila and his wife were compelled to leave. They settled in Corinth. A short while later, the holy Apostle Paul arrived there from Athens preaching the Gospel. Having made the acquaintance of Aquila, he began to live at his house and labored together with him, making tents.



Having received Baptism from the Apostle Paul, Aquila and Priscilla became his devoted and zealous disciples. They accompanied the apostle to Ephesus. The Apostle Paul instructed them to continue the preaching of the Gospel at Ephesus, and he himself went to Jerusalem, in order to be present for the feast of Pentecost. At Ephesus, Aquila and Priscilla heard the bold preaching of a newcomer from Alexandria, the Jew Apollos. He had been instructed in the fundamentals of the Faith, but knew only the baptism of John the Forerunner. They called him over and explained more precisely about the way of the Lord.

After the death of the emperor Claudius, Jews were permitted to return to Italy, and Aquila and Priscilla then returned to Rome. The Apostle Paul in his Epistle to the Romans recalls his faithful disciples, "Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my coworkers in Christ Jesus, who put forth their heads for my soul, whom I do not alone thank, but also all the Church of the Gentiles and the church of their household" (Rom. 16: 3-4). Saint Aquila did not long dwell in Rome: the Apostle Paul made him a bishop in Asia. Saint Aquila zealously labored at preaching the Gospel in Asia, Achaia and Heraklia. He converted pagans to Christ, he confirmed newly-converted Christians in the faith, he established presbyters and destroyed idols. Saint Priscilla constantly assisted him in the apostolic work. Saint Aquila ended his life a martyr: pagans murdered him. According to the Tradition of the Church, Saint Priscilla was killed together with him.

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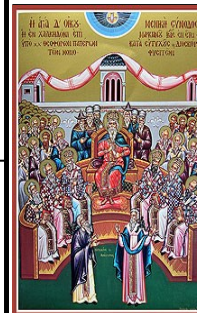
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July 14, 2024
SUNDAY OF
FATHERS OF THE 4TH
ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

COMMEMORATIONS:

THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE 4TH
ECUMENICAL COUNCIL, AQUILA THE
APOSTLE AMONG THE 70, OUR
HOLY FATHER JOSEPH THE
CONFESSOR, ARCHBISHOP OF
THESSALONICA, NICODEMUS THE
RIGHTEOUS OF MOUNT ATHOS,
PETER THE NEW HIEROMARTYR
AND THE FOUR NEW MARTYRS OF
MELISSOURGEO KISSAMOS, JUSTUS
THE MARTYR

Tone 2 - Eothinon 3
Orthros Gospel: St. Mark 16:9-20
Epistle: St. Titus 3:8-15
Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 5:14-19

TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION - Tone 2 - When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee!

APOLYTIKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS - Tone 8 - Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

TODAY: ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.
Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.
Fort Washington Mission Chapel 9 a.m.
Coffee Hour

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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:

COFFEE HOUR: Bagels
 PROSPHORA BREAD: Gabriela Plesa & Rachel Chebeleu
 ALTAR CANDLES: Gamble & Tinjala
 USHERS: Todd M. & Dimitri Mimaros
 CLEANING TEAM: Nick & Stephaine M. & Chris H.
 COFFEE HOUR TEAM: Miriam, Conor, Daniel, Laura

Next Week (July 21):

Mission Chapel Members
 Gabie & Catlin Tinjala
 Sidorochev (Elizabeth's birthday)
 Steve K. & Tom A.
 Phil K., Evan R., Zach W., Beraki H.
 Calvin S., Dale Y., Maria S.

Mark Your Calendar:

Prospora 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

PROSPHORA BAKING WORKSHOP

When: July 20 at 2:30 p.m.
Where: Great room and kitchen.
Who: Anyone interested in joining the Prospora 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 Prospora stamp will be provided. We will also have the pans with the stamp on the bottom.

Pray For:

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

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
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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:

Mon, July 15: Tues, July 16: Wed, July 17: Thurs, July 18: Friday, July 19: Sat, July 20: Sunday, July 20:	<i>Office open</i> <i>Office open</i> Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m. <i>Office open</i> DIVINE LITURGY (Royal Martyrs), 9 a.m. Confessions, 6:00 p.m. Compline & Patristic Reading 6:30 p.m. <i>Office open</i> <i>Office open</i> Confessions, 6:00 p.m. Paraklesis, 6:30 p.m. Prospora Baking Workshop, 2:30 p.m. Great VESPERS, 6:30 p.m. Confessions, 7:30 p.m. ORTHROS, 8:45 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY, 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour after Liturgy
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CANDLE EXTINGUISHING

Starting this weekend and continuing through the summer, we will be piloting a new candle practice of **allowing candles to naturally extinguish themselves** in the sandboxes. The reason being is twofold: we would like the prayers that people offer to God and the saints in the form of lit candles to conclude naturally instead of being “snuffed” out. The practical reason is out of safety concerns—less “playing with fire.” We will reassess in September as to if this practice will continue. **Going forward, please do not blow out candles until the service has conclude.** Thank you!

ATTENDANCE: Vespers for July 6: Divine Liturgy for July 7:

OFFERINGS FOR JULY 7: Candles, \$252. Collections, \$283. Book Shelf Ministry, \$20. Needy Fund, \$65. Pastoral Discretion, \$97.52 Building Fund, \$410. Hospitality, \$613.31 Stewardship, \$3761.20. Total received: \$5,713.27.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!