

The Great Martyr & Healer Panteleimon (July 27)

Saint Panteleimon was born in Nicomedia to the pagan Eustorgius and the Christian Saint Euboula (March 30). Originally named Pantoleon, he was educated in pagan schools and studied medicine under the renowned Euphrosynus. The emperor Maximian took notice of the talented youth and wished to appoint him royal physician.



At the time, the priest Hermolaus, one of three surviving hieromartyrs from the massacre of 20,000 Christians, lived secretly in the city. He began teaching Pantoleon about Christ. One day, Pantoleon prayed over a child killed by a snake, vowing to follow Christ if the child lived. The child rose and the snake died. Pantoleon was baptized with the name *Panteleimon* ("all-merciful").

After healing a blind man in Christ's name, his father believed and was baptized. Following his father's death, Saint Panteleimon gave free care to the sick and visited Christian prisoners, healing them. Jealous physicians accused him before the emperor. When Panteleimon healed a paralyzed man that pagan priests had failed to cure, Maximian ordered the healed man executed and subjected Panteleimon to terrible tortures. Yet the saint remained unharmed through Christ's power.

Wild beasts in the circus refused to harm him, and people cried out, "Great is the God of the Christians!" The emperor ordered his execution. As Panteleimon prayed, a voice from heaven called him by name. The executioners' swords turned soft until he finished praying. At his urging, they fulfilled their task. At his death, the olive tree he was tied to bore fruit, and many believed. His body, unharmed by fire, was buried by Christians.

Relics of Saint Panteleimon were spread throughout the Christian world. His head is at the Russian Monastery of Saint Panteleimon on Mt. Athos. He has long been venerated in Russia; Prince Izyaslav bore his name and image into battle, and naval victories were attributed to his intercession. He is honored as both healer and protector of soldiers. His name Pantoleon means "lion-like," and Panteleimon, "all-merciful." Soldiers and spiritual warriors alike turn to him for healing. He is invoked in prayers for the sick, the Mystery of Holy Unction, and the Blessing of Water.

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The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts 11:26)



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July 27, 2025

**GREAT-MARTYR AND HEALER
PANTELEIMON & SEVENTH
SUNDAY OF MATTHEW**

COMMEMORATIONS:

PANTELEIMON THE GREAT MARTYR & HEALER,
NICHOLAS OF NOVGOROD THE FOOL-FOR-
CHRIST, ANTHOUSA THE RIGHTEOUS CONFESSOR,
853 MARTYRS OF THRACE WHO WERE
DROWNED, MANUEL THE RIGHTEOUS

Tone 6 - Eothion 7

Orthros Gospel: St. John 20:1-10
Epistle: 2 Timothy Timothy 2:1-10
Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 9:27-35

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 6 - When Mary stood at thy grave, looking for thy sacred Body, angelic powers shone above thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led'st hades captive and wast not tempted thereby; thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world. O thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to thee!

APOLYTIKION FOR ST. PANTELEIMON - Tone 3 - O holy prizewinner and healer Panteleimon, intercede with the merciful God that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offences.

TODAY:

Orthros, 8:15 a.m.
Liturgy at Fort Washington Mission 9 am
Divine LITURGY, 9:30 a.m.
Coffee Hour, 11:15 a.m.

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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 (Aug 3)
COFFEE HOUR:	Potluck	Potluck
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Gabi & Catalin Tinjala	Gabi & Catalin Tinjala
ALTAR CANDLES:	Atkinson-Anniversary	Gamble-Xenia's Birthday
USHERS:	John Nicholson & Steve Kulp	Todd Moody & Chris Howe
CLEANING TEAM:	Nick M., Chris H., Shirley D., Sarah M.	Beraki H., Val H., Mark Z., Robert S.
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Eric M. & Zach W.	Ryan M., Daniel C., Laura S.

Mark Your Calendar:

Holy Transfiguration
August 6

Dormition of the Theotokos
August 15

Beheading of the Forerunner
Strict Fast Day
August 29

Ecclesiastical New Year
September 1

International Food Festival
September 19-20
Flyers & Sponsorship Packets
available on the Narthex
information table



JULY OUTREACH
COLLECTION:
Oral Care Products

Pray For:

Living	Departed
Our Patriarch John and Faithful of Syria and all the holy land	+ Jaroslav + Gehrman + Olga
Met. Onuphry and faithful of Ukraine	+ Edgar + Rene + Maxim
Fathers of St Catherine Monastery on Mt Sinai	+ Martyred in Damascus (July Parish Diptychs)
Survivors of the Damascus Church Attack	+Asma +Albert +Dorothy +Dorothea +Irene +Stavros +Ressom +Iwan +Theresa +Fuad +Helen +Christine +John
Nun Sergeia	
Bethlehem and family	
Child Timothy-Gabriel	
John	
Doris	
James	
Steven	
Paraskevi	
Alexandra	
Doru	
Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary, Michael, Xenia, & all Missionaries	<u>Catechumens</u> Ryan Kassandra Jasper Matthew Mary Martin Photini John Steven Robert Liara Asher Sarah Andrew Carolyn Martin & Gabriella James Anthony Slavek Nevada
Dn Nathan, Jacob, John, Samuel & all seminarians and their families	Josiah, Casie & Ray And our inquirers
Those searching for houses, spouses, and jobs	
Engaged Couples	
Families trying to conceive	
Expectant mothers	
New mothers and their babies	
Those in mourning	
The people of our land, and for their repentance, healing & unity	

This Week:

Confessions are available before & after most services

Mon, July 28:	VCS, 8:45 a.m. PC Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Tues, July 29:	VCS, 8:45 a.m. Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1:00 p.m.
Wed, July 30:	VCS, 8:45 a.m. Little Compline, 6:30 p.m. Patristic Reading, 7:00 p.m. FOCUS Norristown, 7:00 p.m.
Thurs, July 31:	VCS, 8:45 a.m. FOCUS Philadelphia, 8:00 p.m.
Fri, Aug 1:	Dormition Fast Begins Divine Liturgy, 7:00 a.m. VCS, 8:45 a.m. Paraklesis, 6:30 p.m. Teen Tea w/ Fr. Noah, 7:30 p.m.
Sat, Aug 2:	Divine Liturgy, 8:00 a.m. Prospora Baking Class, 9:30 a.m. Baptism (Olga Q), 11:00 a.m. Q&A w/ Fr. Noah, 5:00 p.m. GREAT VESPERS, 6:00 p.m.
Sun, Aug 3:	ORTHROS, 8:15 a.m. Ft. Washington Mission Chapel, 9:00 am DIVINE LITURGY, 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour, 11:15 a.m. Paraklesis, 1:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Vespers 7/19: 86 Liturgy 7/20: 229
OFFERINGS 7/20: Candles, \$232. Collections, \$928.12. Needy Fund, \$122.02.
Book Shelf Ministry, \$90. Mission Chapel, \$2,953. Building Fund, \$40.
Seminarian Fund, \$5,000. Women's Fund, \$50. Stewardship, \$17,356.77. Total received: \$26,771.91.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!