## Saints Peter and Fevronia (tonsured David and Euphrosynē), Wonderworkers of Murom (June 25)

Holy Prince Peter (David in monasticism) and Holy Princess Febronia (Euphrosynē in monasticism), Wonderworkers of Murom. Prince Peter was the second son of the Murom prince Yuri Vladimirovich. He entered upon the throne of Murom in the year 1203. Several years before this Saint Peter had fallen ill with leprosy, from which no one was able to heal him. In a vision it was revealed to the prince that the daughter of a bee-keeper would be able to heal him: the pious maiden Febronia, a peasant of Laskova village in Ryazan gubernia. Saint Peter sent his emissaries to this village.

When the prince saw Saint Febronia, he fell in love with her because of her piety, wisdom and virtue, and vowed to marry her after being healed. Saint Febronia healed the prince and became his wife. The holy couple loved each other through all their ordeals. The



haughty boyars did not wish to have a princess of common origin, and they urged that the prince leave her. Saint Peter refused, and so they banished the couple. They sailed off on a boat from their native city along the River Oka, and Saint Febronia continued to console Saint Peter. Soon the wrath of God fell upon the city of Murom, and the people begged the prince return together with Saint Febronia.

The holy couple was famous for their piety and charity. They died on the same day and hour, June 25, 1228, having received the monastic tonsure with the names David and Evphrosyne. The bodies of the saints were put in the same grave.

Sts Peter and Febronia showed themselves exemplary models of Christian marriage, and are considered as the patron saints of newly-weds.

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# June 25, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER **PENTECOST** 

#### COMMEMORATIONS:

**BROTHERS** 

LEAVETAKING OF THE NATIVITY OF THE FORERUNNER JOHN THE BAPTIST THE RIGHTEOUS MARTYR FEBRONIA METHODIUS OF NEVRITOS PROKOPIOS THE NEW MARTYR DIONYSIUS & DOMETIOS THE RIGHTEOUS OF MOUNT ORENTIOS, PHARMAKIOS, EROS, PHIRMOS, PHIRMINOS, KYRIAKOS, AND LONGINOS THE MARTYRS AND

Tone 2 - Eothinon 3 Orthros Gospel: St. Mark 16:9-20 Epistle: Romans 5:1-10

Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 6:22-33

**RESURRECTIONAL TROPARION - Tone 1 - 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 NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST - Tone 4 - O prophet and Forerunner of Christ God's coming to us, \* all we who with longing now extol thee are at a loss to honor thee worthily. \* For thy mother's barrenness and father's long silence, by thine all-renowned and hallowed birth, were both ended, \* and the Incarnation of the Son of God is preached unto all the world.

**TODAY:** ORTHROS & Confessions 8:45 a.m.

Divine LITURGY 10 a.m. 40-Day Memorial (Lucy Coe)

Donation Coffee Hour — for Ukraine relief, those affected by explosion in Kherson

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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 (July 2):

**COFFEE HOUR** 

Donation for Ukraine -

victims of explosion in Kherson

A-Ca — Bagles/Donuts

PROSPHORA BREAD: **ALTAR CANDLES:** 

John Child

Hirut — Birthday

Kristi Moore Gohls – 19th Anniversary Todd M. & Sdn. John

**USHERS: CLEANING TEAM:**  Dan M. & Rdr. Nick Gohls; Olena; Midena

Serge, Alex, Sarah Kaminsky

COFFEE HOUR TEAM: Kendra; Felicia; Christian L.

Nancy: Sze: Christian: Zach: Zach

### Mark Your Calendar:

VCS 2023 July 31-Aug 4

Dormition Fast - August 1-14 Daily Paraklesis

> **Transfiguration** August 5-6

> > **Dormition** August 15

Nativity of the Theotokos September 8

**Elevation of the Cross** September 14

International Food Festival September 15-16

> JUNE OUTREACH COLLECTION: Bath & Shower **Products**

### **CHALLENGE FOR 2023:**

"You are the Salt of the Earth"

#### Pray For:

Living Departed Met. Onuphry and faithful +Lucy of Ukraine +George Pr. Andrew, family, & parishioners Diptvchs) Archpriest Mark Kh. Joyce

+Nicholas George Jonathan

**Ephrem** Nicole Raymond

Patrick Doris

John John

James James

Lasha B Otari B Helen

Wadieh Anesia Mary

Mary Sophia

Elias Victoria Alexandra

Steve Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, & all Missionaries 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

(June Parish

+Maria +Marion Betty +Victoria +Anna +Gail +Sophia

Catechumens Lucretia Ryan

+Mat. Linda

Christina Alina & Elsa Kate Nicholas. Rachel, Luka, & Leo

Michael Evan Tiffany Caden

Keith, Maggie, & Eli Andrew

Daniel

Kassandra Michael

#### **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:

APOSTLES' FAST JUNE 12-28

Prayer - Fasting - Almsgiving

Monday, June 26: Office open

Confessions 6 p.m.

Akathist to the Holy Apostles 6:30 p.m.

Tues, June 27: Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.

PLC Conference 2023:

"A Vision for an Orthodox America"

June 28-July 2

Wed, June 28: Office open

Great Vespers & Artoklasia 6:30 p.m.

STS. PETER & PAUL Thurs, June 29:

Festal Orthros 9 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 10 a.m. w/ Festal Potluck to

follow

Friday, June 30: Office open

Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.

Sat, July 1: Great VESPERS 6:30 p.m.

Confession 7:30 p.m.

ORTHROS 8:45 a.m. Sunday, July 2:

Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.

Coffee Hour

Women of St. Mariamne

ATTENDANCE: Vespers for June 17: 56 Divine Services June 18: 154 OFFERINGS 6/18: Candles, \$180. Collections, \$308.92. Youth, \$3. Book Shelf Ministry, \$40. Mortgage Reduction, \$125. Stewardship, \$9,883. Total received: \$10,539.92.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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