

**July 23, 2017**

**7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

## Hieromartyr Phocas

Hieromartyr Phocas was born in the city of Sinope. During his adult years he became Bishop of Sinope. At the time of a persecution against Christians under the emperor Trajan (98-117), the governor demanded that the saint renounce Christ. After fierce torture they enclosed St Phocas in a hot bath, where he died a martyr's death in the year 117.

A homily in his honour was composed by Saint John Chrysostom on the occasion of the translation of his relics to Constantinople. The translation of his holy relics from Pontus to Constantinople about the year 404 and is celebrated on July 23. His primary feast is on September 22, and he is called a wonderworker.

The Hieromartyr Phocas is especially venerated as a defender against fires, and also as a helper of the drowning.

*Text & Image from [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phocas,\\_Bishop\\_of\\_Sinope](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Phocas,_Bishop_of_Sinope)*



## Prophetess Hannah

The Holy Prophetess Hannah dwelt in marriage with Elkanah, but she was childless. Elkanah took to himself another wife, Phennena, who bore him children. Hannah grieved strongly over her misfortune, and every day she prayed for an end to her barrenness, and vowed to dedicate her child to God.

Once, as she prayed fervently in the Temple, the priest Eli thought that she was drunk, and he began to reproach her. But the saint poured out her grief, and after she received a blessing, she returned home. After this Hannah conceived and gave birth to a son, whom she named Samuel (which means "Asked from God").

When the child reached the age of boyhood, the mother herself presented him to the priest Eli, and Samuel remained with him to serve before the Tabernacle (1 Kings/1 Samuel 2: 1-21).

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Monday through Thursday 8:30 - 4:00

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### COMMEMORATIONS:

RIGHTEOUS ANNA (HANNAH), MOTHER OF THE  
PROPHET SAMUEL (1 SAM 1:1 - 2:10)

HOLY PROPHET EZEKIEL (6TH C. BC )

HIEROMARTYR APOLLINARIS (75), BISHOP OF  
RAVENNA

HIEROMARTYR PHOCAS, BISHOP OF SINOPE (117)

MARTYR APOLLONIUS OF ROME (2ND C.)

MARTYRS TROPHIMUS, THEOPHILUS, AND 13 OTHERS  
IN LYCIA (305)

REPOSE OF ST. JOHN CASSIAN OF LERINS (435)

250 MARTYRS KILLED BY BULGARIANS (802-811)

ST. ANNA OF LEUCADIA (919)

**Tone 6**

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**Matins Gospel:** St. John 20:1-10

**Epistle:** Romans 15:1-7

**Liturgy Gospel:** 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!

**TODAY:** Coffee Hour & Teens after Liturgy.  
Parish Festival Meeting, 12:15 p.m.  
All interested parties invited.

**SAINT PHILIP'S** is a "Pan-Orthodox" parish of the Antiochian Archdiocese, serving Orthodox Christians of all backgrounds in the English language. If you are a newcomer to our community, please sign our guest book, and stay with us for the Coffee Hour today. AND, WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU AGAIN!

**PLEASE NOTE:** Holy Communion is only for practicing Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through fasting, prayer, and recent confession, and who are dressed modestly and arrived on time for the Liturgy. All are welcome to kiss the Cross and receive Blessed Bread at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

**PLEASE PARK ONLY IN DESIGNATED PARKING SPACES; OTHER AREAS MUST REMAIN FREE FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS.**

**AMPLE PARKING** is always available for Church Services in lots just across Clearview Rd, thanks to our good neighbors at Solar Atmospheres. Thank you.

THE ALTAR CANDLES are lit today to the glory of God.

MANY THANKS to Alemash Asfaha for sponsoring today's coffee hour. EVERYONE is invited to stay for refreshments after the Divine Liturgy.

THIS WEEK'S GREETERS: Gohl family

THIS WEEK'S CLEANING TEAM: Kim Berman; Todd & Kristi Moore

THANK YOU to all who fulfill these ministries!

YOUR CHRISTMAS IN JULY OFFERINGS support Beautification (narthex murals), Cemetery "gifting plots," children's books for the narthex, and a full-time-access chapel. God bless you for your generosity!



## Mark Your Calendar:

### Vacation Church School

August 7-11 - The Parables of Christ

### Fr Boniface Memorial & Retreat

August 12-13 - Fr Joseph Morris, speaker

### Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, August 17, 2-7 pm

Sign up at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org), sponsor code: saint philip

### International Food Festival

Sept 15 & 16 - Mark your Calendar!

Pray, plan, work, invite!

### Village at Home

Saturday, November 11 - more details to come

Bp Thomas visit rescheduled for December 15-17.

FR NOAH, FR JAMES, & FR HERMAN are available for hospital visits. If you or anyone you know is in the hospital and would like a visit, please call the church office.

I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

*Psalm 18:1-3*

## Everyday Evangelist

*"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (Jn 20:21)*

Be available.

This Week: ARCHDIOCESE CONVENTION IN MIAMI - JULY 23-30  
Pray for safe travel for Fr Noah and all attending.

Tuesday, Jul 25: Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 11 a.m.  
SIXTH HOUR, 12 noon

Wednesday, Jul 26: AKATHIST, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jul 29: VESPERS, 6 p.m. - Confessions

Sunday, Jul 30: MATINS 8:45 a.m., LITURGY 10 a.m.  
Coffee Hour & Teens after Liturgy.

OUTREACH COLLECTION: Oral Care Products

WISDOM FROM FATHER B.: How are you, Father?  
"Never Better!"

ATTENDANCE: At Vespers on Jul 15: 39 Divine Services on Jul 16 170  
OFFERINGS: Candles, \$202.10 Collections, \$604. Youth, \$24.  
BookShelf, \$12. Christmas in July, \$620. Stewardship, \$3,467. Total received: \$4,929.10

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

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