

## SS Peter and Paul Orthodox Church

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SUNDAY BEFORE THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS/ EUMENIUS, BISHOP OF GORTYNA ON CRETE

Sunday September 23, 2018

Galatians 6:11-18, John 3:13-170

Tropars and Kondaks Tone 8

**Welcome!** We welcome to our church this morning all visitors, guests, relatives, and friends of Saints Peter and Paul Church. We pray your visit with us is spiritually rewarding, holy and life-giving. Visit often!

**Vespers Liturgy Wednesday 6:30 AM Feast of the Exultation of the Holy Cross.** Confessions at 6:00 PM.

“One should not say that it is impossible to reach a virtuous life; but one should say that it is not easy. Nor do those who have reached it find it easy to maintain. Those who are devout and whose intellect enjoys the love of God participate in the life of virtue; the ordinary intellect, however, is worldly and wavering, producing both good and evil thoughts, because it is changeable by nature and directed towards material things. But the intellect that enjoys the love of God punishes the evil which arises spontaneously because of man’s laziness.”

+ St. Anthony The Great

“Do not allow the spark of discord and enmity to smolder. The longer you wait, the more the enemy tries to cause confusion among you. Be watchful, so that he does not mock you. Humility destroys all of his schemes.”

+ St. Macarius of Optina

**Registration for OCF’s College Conference 2018** has filled for the east with only alternate slots available.

<https://www.acrod.org/news/2018-press/cc-2018> - Registration cost for College Conference (East or Midwest) is \$325 per person. Registration includes food, lodging, and engaging workshops with great speakers.

Confessions – 9:00 AM on Sundays or arranged as needed.

The soul is greater than the body: the body becomes sick, and with that it is finished. But a spiritual sickness extends into eternity. Deliver us, O lord, from such illness, and grant us healing.

St. Macarius,

The eternal light was sponsored by Helen Sweeney in memory of mother Susan.

Upcoming events:

September 30 – Pot Luck Dinner for parish – Please see Pani or Debbie Sasala about what is needed.

October 7<sup>th</sup> – Distinguished Diocesan Donor’s Dinner – Sunnehanna Country Club

October 14<sup>th</sup> – Turkey Dinner - Fundraiser

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