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OBJECT NAME

Icon

OBJECT ENTITIES

Kokohis, D. (created by)
Greek Orthodox Church, St. (owned by)

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

This is a colored painting/Icon of Apostles Peter and Paul. Both men are wearing colorful robes, halos and are holding a bible. There is a scroll on the bottom, with inscription: "Dedicated by Brotherhood Petrina, 1943." Above Peter and Paul, there is an angel in the clouds.

ORIGIN

They are among the first Apostles to be iconized besides, Andrew and John.

Peter is known to be the first to be called by Jesus; his name was originally Simon, but Jesus called him Peter because it means 'Rock' . Jesus intended him to be the rock that became the foundation for the faith.

Paul is known for his traveling and missionary work as the 13th Apostle. He was once known as Saul and was not always an apostle, after a series of events that led to him becoming blind and then regaining sight by way of a miracle, he changed his name to reflect his new life.

Some evidence suggests that Paul was beheaded and Peter was crucified upside down at the hands of Nero. They were buried together, maybe why they are often iconized together, aside from that fact that they were close in age, and their saintly objectives.

Memorial Feasts in their names are held June 29th and is one of the largest Saints days observed all year, especially in Rome.

CITATION

Icon, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 08/12/25.