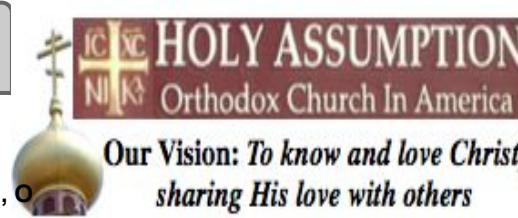


SUNDAY: June 4 JUNE 4: HOLY PENTECOST



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The First Antiphon

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Ps. 18/19:1) **Refrain:** Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. (Ps 18/19:2) **Refrain**

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe. (Ps 18/19:4) **Refrain:**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. **Refrain**

The Second Antiphon

The Lord answer you in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (Ps. 19/20:1)

Refrain: O Good Comforter, save us who sing to You: "Alleluia!"

May He send you help from the sanctuary and give you support from Zion! (Ps 19/20:2) **Refrain**

May He remember all your offerings, and fulfill all your plans! (Ps 19/20:3) **Refrain**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen

The Third Antiphon

In Your strength the king rejoices, O Lord, and exults greatly in Your salvation. (Ps. 20/21:1)

Tone 8 Troparion

You have given him his heart's desire, and have not withheld the request of his lips. (Ps 20/21:2)

Tone 8 Troparion

For You meet him with goodly blessings; You set a crown of fine gold upon his head. (Ps 20/21:3)

Tone 8 Troparion

Entrance Verse

Be exalted, O Lord, in your strength! We will sing and praise Your power! (Ps 20/21:13)

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Sarah Richter
 Anika Richter
 Elena Monahan
 Kaitlin McAlear
 Ted Kisha
 Don Wescott
 Cassandra Gibson
 Greg Huba
 Gary Measures
 Kayla
 DeVitto-Skiles

Our Vision: To know and love Christ, sharing His love with others

Tone 8 Troparion

Blessed are You, O Christ our God; for You have shown the fishermen to be most wise by sending down on them the Holy Spirit and through them catching all the world in Your net. Glory to You, O good God Who love mankind!

Tone 8 Kontakion

When He came down and confused the tongues, the Most High divided the nations; but when He distributed the tongues of fire, He called all people to unity. Therefore, with one voice we glorify the most-Holy Spirit.

Tone 8 Prokeimenon

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe! (Ps 18/19:4)
v: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Ps. 18/19:1)

EPISTLE Acts 2:1-11 When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God."

Tone 1 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! *v: By the Word of the Lord the heavens were made; and all their host by the Spirit of His mouth. v: The Lord looked down from heaven, and saw all the sons of men.*

GOSPEL John 7:37-52; 8:12 On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. Therefore many from the crowd, when they heard this saying, said, "Truly this is the Prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Will the Christ come out of Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the seed of David and from the town of Bethlehem, where David was?" So there was a division among the people because of Him. Now some of them wanted to take Him, but no one laid hands on Him. Then the officers came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why have you not brought Him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this Man!" Then the Pharisees answered them, "Are you also deceived? Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed in Him? But this crowd that does not know the law is accursed." Nicodemus (he who came to Jesus by night, being one of them) said to them, "Does our law judge a man before it hears him and knows what he is doing?" They answered and said to him, "Are you also from Galilee? Search and look, for no prophet has arisen out of Galilee." Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

We are invited to kneel. This is our first kneeling since Easter. It signifies that after these fifty days of Paschal joy and fulness, of experiencing the Kingdom of God, the Church now is about to begin her pilgrimage through time and history. It is evening again, and the night approaches, during which temptations and failures await us, when, more than anything else, we need Divine help, that presence and power of the Holy Spirit, who has already revealed to us the joyful End, who now will help us in our effort towards fulfillment and salvation. All this is revealed in the three prayers which the celebrant reads now as we all kneel and listen to him. **In the first prayer**, we bring to God our repentance, our increased appeal for forgiveness of sins, the first condition for entering into the Kingdom of God. **In the second prayer**, we ask the Holy Spirit to help us, to teach us to pray and to follow the true path in the dark and difficult night of our earthly existence. Finally, **in the third prayer**, we remember all those who have achieved their earthly journey, but who are united with us in the eternal God of Love.

The joy of Easter has been completed and we again have to wait for the dawn of the Eternal Day. Yet, knowing our weakness, humbling ourselves by kneeling, we also know the joy and the power of the Holy Spirit who has come. We know that God is with us, that in Him is our victory. Thus is completed the feast of Pentecost and we enter "the ordinary time" of the year. Yet, every Sunday now will be called "after Pentecost" — and this means that it is from the power and light of these fifty days that we shall receive our own power, the Divine help in our daily struggle. At Pentecost we decorate our churches with flowers and green branches — for the Church "never grows old, but is always young." It is an evergreen, ever-living Tree of grace and life, of joy and comfort. For the Holy Spirit - "the Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life - comes and abides in us, and cleanses us from all impurity," and fills our life with meaning, love, faith and hope. <http://www.pravmir.com/those-kneeling-prayers/>

PENTECOST The New Testament era of the Church began its existence on the Day of Pentecost with the Spirit's descent as a mighty rushing wind that took on the form of fiery tongues alighting upon the heads of the future apostles [Acts 2:1-13]. The Church has always existed, but the Church as a remnant of Israel that would flourish and grow with the addition of the Gentiles began its final phase of existence with the death, resurrection and ascension of God's Messiah, Jesus Christ Who, seated at the right hand of the Father, would send the Holy Spirit into the world and upon "all flesh" on the day of Pentecost. As Saint Epiphanius of Cyprus wrote in the fourth century, "The Catholic Church, which exists from the ages, is revealed most clearly in the incarnate advent of Christ." The simple calendar rubric of numbering the Sundays after Pentecost is one way of reminding us of this essential truth of the Christian Faith. The Church is the Temple of the Holy Spirit, and in and through the sacramental life of the Church we experience something like a permanent pentecostal outpouring of the Holy Spirit <https://oca.org/reflections/fr-steven-kostoff/the-saints-examples-of-holiness>

COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

JUNE 4 **MANOS**, Manos, Hoffman, Brandon
 JUNE 11 **BYRNES**, Powell, Mudrak
 JUNE 18 - "Fathers' Day"
PotLuck
 June 25 - **KISHA**, Kisha-Wise, Monahan, Condo
 Please sign-up for the next round of coffee hour. Weeks will be assigned after the opportunity to sign up

UPCOMING

Sunday, June 4
 9:10 Hours
 9:30 Liturgy
There will be no Wednesday evening services in June or July.
Sat., June 10 - Vespers Sunday, June 11
 9:10 Hours
 9:30 Liturgy
For your calendar:
July 16 - Parish Picnic
July 21 & 22 (Fri & Saturday) - Pierogies
Aug 13-Dormition Fest

WELCOME VISITORS

We are delighted to have visitors with us. We pray that you will be blessed in your time with us. Holy Communion is treated with reverence, respect and preparation in the Orthodox Church. Orthodox Christians prepare with confession, prayer, and fasting. Our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to participate with us in any other ways including venerating the icons, Cross and receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of Liturgy.

"To the Faithful of Holy Assumption, Please accept our gratitude for your warm welcome and generosity! It was a pleasure, and great joy, to worship with you...asking your prayers...Fr John and Matushka Michelle..."(for the full note, see bulletin board)

Sunday School is finished for the year! Thank you to all parents for bringing their children! This is something you are doing for the salvation of your kids! Tthanks to all the children who participated! It has been a joy for all involved! Matushka Trudi