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Holy Pentecost - Κυριακή Η' τῆς Πεντηκοστής



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Pentecost

by Fr. Theodore Stylianopoulos
A Year of the Lord

Prayer

Blessed are you, Christ our God, who have shown the fishermen to be all-wise, sending upon them the Holy Spirit and through them you drew the world into your net. Loving Lord, glory to you!

-Dismissal Hymn, Sunday of Pentecost

Fire on the Earth

John the Baptist had prophesied: “I baptize you with water, but someone is coming who is much greater than I am... He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire” (Luke 3:16). During His ministry Jesus had said: “I come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already kindled”(Luke 12:49)! On the day of Pentecost a glorified Christ poured out the Spirit upon His followers. With this outpouring of fire, the greatest renewal movement in history began. It still continues.

*Tongues once became confused because of the insolent building of a tower [of Babel].
Tongues now become wise because of the fire of God’s knowledge. In the former
times God judged people and their impious spirit. Now Christ illuminates fishermen
in the Holy Spirit. Then discord was wrought unto punishment. Now concord is
fashioned anew unto the salvation of our souls!
– Hymn of Great Vespers Sunday of Pentecost.*



Pentecost was one of the major feasts of the Jews, the Feast of Weeks, a harvest festival celebrated fifty days after Passover. Pentecost literally means “the fiftieth day”. It was a feast of joy and thanksgiving for God’s protection and His rich provisions. The whole community presented itself before the Lord as a “holy convocation” (see Lev. 23:15-22). The first fruits of the wheat harvest and loaves baked from the new wheat crop were offered to the Lord. The people worshipped God, the source of life. They thanked Him for His great acts of deliverance in history and His gift of the promised land.

It was on this festival of Pentecost that God gave humanity the gift of the Spirit, the pledge of a new Promised Land, God’s coming kingdom. When he had completed His mission on earth the risen Christ charged his followers to remain in Jerusalem: “Wait for the gift I told you about, the gift my Father promised.... In a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.... You will be filled with power, and you will be witnesses for me and Jerusalem, in all of the Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:4-5:8).

Who were the followers of Jesus in these earliest days? The book of Acts tells us that there were “about a hundred and twenty in all” (Acts 1:15). Among them were the eleven apostles (Acts 1:13); Matthias, the apostle who took the place of Judas Iscariot (Acts 1:23-26); the Virgin Mary and the other women disciples such as Mary Magdalene who are not named (Acts 1:14). Present also were the “brothers” of the Lord (Acts 1:14) such as James, who became one of the leaders of Jerusalem church. The Church fathers interpret Jesus’ “brothers” as half-brothers, the sons of Joseph by another wife. According to Jewish custom a brother could also be a cousin or another relative. To number about a hundred and twenty there must have been many others as well, such as Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus.

The Book of Acts tells us that all these believers gathered frequently in an upper room to pray as a group (Acts 1:13-14). They were waiting upon the Lord to empower them for their mission in preaching and teaching the new life of Christ. To be effective witnesses they first needed to experience fully the saving power of the Gospel they were to proclaim to others.

The Holy Spirit

In the Orthodox Church the Feast of the Pentecost is one of the seven great feasts of the Lord observed during the liturgical year. It celebrates the Lord's bestowal of the Spirit upon His Church. Pentecost is also a feast of the Trinity, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit - One God in Three Persons, existing eternally and working together for the salvation of the world. Finally, Pentecost celebrates the gift of the Spirit to the world, the historical revelation of the Spirit. In honor of the Spirit, the day after Pentecost has been appointed Monday of the Holy Spirit. The following hymn express the themes of Pentecost:

Come people, let us worship God in Three Persons, the Son who abides in the Father together with the Holy Spirit... one Power, one Essence, one God, whom we worship saying: Holy God who has created all things through the Son and in the Holy Spirit! Holy mighty, through whom we have known the Father and the Spirit has come to the world! Holy Immortal, Comforter and Spirit, who proceeds from the Father and rests in the Son. Holy Trinity, glory to You!
- Hymn of Great Vespers, Sunday of Pentecost

What is the Holy Spirit? In the Bible the word "Spirit" (in Greek *pneuma*, and the Hebrew *ruach*), literally means the "wind" and signifies the breath of God creating and renewing all things. In the New Testament the Spirit is called by many titles such as Spirit, Holy Spirit, Spirit of God, Spirit of Christ, Spirit of Holiness, Spirit of Truth, Spirit of Life, Spirit of Adoption, and Paraclete, which means "comforter" or "advocate." All these names signify the same supernatural power of God at work in the creation, redemption, and salvation of the world.

- 1)The Holy Spirit is the gift of the new age dawning in Christ. A sign of Jesus as the Messiah was His anointment by the fullness of the Spirit. Pentecost is the anointing of the church by the outpouring of the Spirit, inaugurating the age of renewal and universal mission.
- 2) The Holy Spirit is the divine power working in life of the Church. The Church is the temple of Holy Spirit. All aspects of life of the Church, it's sacraments, ministries, and fruits of salvation are energized by the power of the Spirit.
- 3)The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity. The spirit is a personal Being within the "depths of God." Just as "it is only a person's own spirit that knows all about him; in the same way, only God's Spirit knows all about God." Therefore, the Spirit is honored, glorified, and worshipped together with the Father and the Son.

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Κυριακή της Πεντηκοστής

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Την τελευταία μέρα της γιορτής, την πιο λαμπρή, στάθηκε ο Ιησούς μπροστά στο πλήθος και φώναξε: «Όποιος διψάει, να 'ρθει σ' εμένα και να πει. Μέσα από εκείνον που πιστεύει σ' εμένα, καθώς λέει η Γραφή, ποτάμια ζωντανό νερό θα τρέξουν». Αυτό το είπε ο Ιησούς εννοώντας το Πνεύμα που θα έπαιρναν όσοι θα πίστευαν σ' αυτόν. Γιατί τότε ακόμα δεν είχαν το Άγιο Πνεύμα, επειδή ο Ιησούς δεν είχε ακόμα δοξαστεί με την ανάσταση. Πολλοί άνθρωποι από το πλήθος, που άκουσαν αυτά τα λόγια, έλεγαν: «Αυτός είναι πραγματικά ο προφήτης που περιμένουμε». Άλλοι έλεγαν: «Αυτός είναι ο Μεσσίας». Ενώ άλλοι έλεγαν: «Ο Μεσσίας θα 'ρθει από τη Γαλιλαία; Η Γραφή δεν είπε πως ο Μεσσίας θα προέρχεται από τους απογόνους του Δαβίδ και θα γεννηθεί στη Βηθλεέμ, χωριό καταγωγής του Δαβίδ»; Το πλήθος λοιπόν διχάστηκε εξαιτίας του. Μερικοί απ' αυτούς ήθελαν να τον πιάσουν, κανείς όμως δεν άπλωσε χέρι πάνω του. Γύρισαν, λοιπόν, πίσω οι φρουροί στους αρχιερείς και στους Φαρισαίους, κι αυτοί τους ρώτησαν: «Γιατί δεν τον φέρατε;» Οι φρουροί απάντησαν: «Ποτέ δε μίλησε άνθρωπος όπως αυτός». Τους ξαναρώτησαν τότε οι Φαρισαίοι: «Μήπως παρασυρθήκατε κι εσείς; Πίστεψε σ' αυτόν κανένα μέλος του συνεδρίου ή κανείς από τους Φαρισαίους; Πιστεύει μόνο αυτός ο όχλος, που δεν ξέρουν το νόμο του Μωϋσή και γι' αυτό είναι καταραμένοι». Τότε ο Νικόδημος, που ήταν ένας απ' αυτούς, εκείνος που είχε πάει στον Ιησού νύχτα λίγο καιρό πριν, τους ρώτησε: «Μήπως μπορούμε σύμφωνα με το νόμο μας να καταδικάσουμε έναν άνθρωπο, αν πρώτα δεν τον ακούσουμε και δε μάθουμε τι έκανε»; Και αυτοί του είπαν: «Μήπως κατάγεσαι κι εσύ από τη Γαλιλαία; Μελέτησε τις Γραφές και θα δεις πως κανένας προφήτης δεν είναι να 'ρθει από τη Γαλιλαία». Και έφυγαν καθένας για το σπίτι του. Τότε ο Ιησούς τους μίλησε πάλι και τους είπε: «Εγώ είμαι το φως του κόσμου· εκείνος που με ακολουθεί δε θα πλανιέται μέσα στο σκοτάδι, αλλά θα έχει το φως που φέρνει στη ζωή».

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Ο Κύριος βρισκόταν στην Ιερουσαλήμ την τελευταία ημέρα της μεγάλης εορτής της Σκηνοπηγίας. Οι Ιουδαίοι συμμετείχαν στην εορτή αυτή για να θυμούνται την πορεία των προγόνων τους από την Αίγυπτο στη γη της Επαγγελίας. Γι' αυτό και επί επτά ημέρες έμεναν σε σκιηνές. Την τελευταία και πιο επίσημη ημέρα της εορτής έκαναν αναπαράσταση της εισόδου στη γη της Επαγγελίας. Οι ιερείς έπαιρναν νερό από την κολυμβήθρα του Σιλωάμ και προχωρούσαν προς το Ναό ραντίζοντας το θυσιαστήριο και τα πλήθη.

Αυτή λοιπόν την τελευταία ημέρα της εορτής, ο Κύριος, παίρνοντας αφορμή από τις τελετές της εορτής, άρχισε να διδάσκει με ζωνρή φωνή τα πλήθη λέγοντας: Εάν κανείς αισθάνεται πόθο και δίψα πνευματική, ας έρχεται σε μένα και ας πίνει. Κοντά μου θα βρει ανάπαυση ή ψυχή του. Από τα βάθη της ψυχής του θα τρέξουν ποταμοί αστείρευτου νερού.

Ο Κύριος βέβαια με τα λόγια αυτά εννοούσε το Άγιο Πνεύμα, το οποίο μετά την Πεντηκοστή θα έπαιρναν όσοι θα πίστευαν σ' αυτόν. Διότι η Χάρis του Αγίου Πνεύματος, που μεταδίδει νέα και θεϊκή ζωή, δεν είχε ακόμη δοθεί σε κανένα. Διότι ο Ιησούς δεν είχε ακόμη δοξαστεί με το Πάθος του και την Ανάληψή του. Γιατί όμως ο Κύριος παρομοιάζει το Άγιο Πνεύμα με νερό αστείρευτο που αναβλύζει μέσα από την ψυχή του ανθρώπου; Διότι όταν η Χάρis του Αγίου Πνεύματος έρχεται στην ψυχή κάθε βαπτισμένου και

χρισμένου πιστού, προσφέρεται ασταμάτητα. Αναβλύζει διαρκώς, δεν αδειάζει ποτέ, ρέει σταθερά και ανεξάντλητα όπως το ποτάμι. Και ποιο έργο επιτελεί; Το Άγιο Πνεύμα ως ύδωρ ζων είναι η αιτία της πνευματικής μας ζωής. Η Χάρης του Αγίου Πνεύματος αρχικά σαν ένα ρεύμα ισχυρό καταρρίπτει μέσα στις ψυχές μας κάθε αντίσταση, κάθε πάθος. Καθαρίζει κάθε τι αμαρτωλό. Και ταυτόχρονα δροσίζει ως ύδωρ διαυγές και άφθονο τις ψυχές μας, τις μαλακώνει, τις ποτίζει και τις καθιστά καρποφόρες σε έργα αρετής. Εμπνέει αγαθές διαθέσεις και ιερά συναισθήματα, και αντίστοιχες ενέργειες και πράξεις. Ενδυναμώνει την ψυχή μας, ώστε να ζούμε μία αγία ζωή. Μας μεταμορφώνει και μας αναγεννά, γεμίζει το εσωτερικό μας με όλους τους δικούς της καρπούς, τους καρπούς των αρετών και της αγιότητας. Και καθιστά κι εμάς πηγές ανεξάντλητες ύδατος ζώντος προς τους συνανθρώπους μας.

Η επιφοίτηση του Αγίου Πνεύματος στους Αγίους Αποστόλους και μαθητές ήταν ένα γεγονός έκτακτο και μοναδικό στην ιστορία της Εκκλησίας μας. Διότι οι Άγιοι Απόστολοι δεν απέκτησαν απλώς τη θεία δύναμη του Αγίου Πνεύματος, αλλά γέμισε το εσωτερικό τους από την παρουσία Του. Μέσα τους πλέον σκίνησε η χάρις του Παναγίου Πνεύματος και έγιναν κατοικητήρια και ναοί Του, με ένα όμως τρόπο ιδιαίτερο, έκτακτο και μοναδικό. Μόνο αυτοί έγιναν αλάθητοι εκφραστές της αληθείας, πάνσοφοι. Ο ιερός Χρυσόστομος ερωτά: Τί σημαίνει ότι οι Απόστολοι και οι παρόντες πιστοί «επλήσθησαν άπαντες Πνεύματος Αγίου»; Σημαίνει ότι όχι απλώς έλαβαν την χάρις του, αλλά ότι «επλήσθησαν» με την παρουσία του Αγίου Πνεύματος. Και τί ση-αίνει «επλήσθησαν»; Αναζωπυρώθηκαν και αναζωογονήθηκαν με το Άγιο Πνεύμα. Τα χαρίσματα του Αγίου Πνεύματος κυριαρχούσαν μέσα στην ψυχή τους. Από τότε και στο εξής ζούσαν μέσα στην παρουσία και χάρις του Αγίου Πνεύματος. Γι' αυτό και το Άγιο Πνεύμα μεταμόρφωσε την ζωή τους. Έγιναν πλέον ατρόμητοι, πάνσοφοι, κήρυτταν τον λόγο του Θεού με παρρησία.

Στη συνέχεια της ευαγγελικής περικοπής ο ευαγγελιστής Ιωάννης μας πληροφορεί ότι τα πλήθη του λαού που άκουαν τους λόγους αυτούς του Κυρίου, άρχισαν να διχάζονται. Άλλοι έλεγαν: «Αυτός είναι ο προφήτης που περιμένουμε». Άλλοι: «Αυτός είναι ο Χριστός». Κι άλλοι απορούσαν: «Είναι δυνατόν να προέλθει ο Χριστός από τη Γαλιλαία;» Οι πιο ζηλωτές ήθελαν να Τον συλλάβουν, όμως κανείς δεν τόλμησε να το κάνει, διότι μία άορατη δύναμη τους εμπόδιζε. Γύρισαν λοιπόν πίσω άπρακτοι οι υπηρέτες στους αρχιερείς και στους Φαρισαίους, και αυτοί τους ρώτησαν: «Γιατί δεν τον συλλάβατε;» «Ποτέ άλλοτε δεν δίδαξε κανείς με τόση σοφία όπως αυτός ο άνθρωπος», αποκρίθηκαν εκείνοι. Τους ξαναρώτησαν οι Φαρισαίοι: «Μήπως κι εσείς έχετε πλανηθεί από αυτόν; Κανείς από τους άρχοντες δεν πίστεψε σ' αυτόν, αλλά μόνο ο όχλος, που δεν ξέρει τον νόμο!». Τότε διαμαρτυρήθηκε ο Νικόδημος: «Πώς μπορούμε να καταδικάσουμε έναν άνθρωπο, εάν δεν τον ακούσουμε πρώτα και μάθουμε τι έκανε;» Κι εκείνοι του αποκρίθηκαν: «Προφήτης από τη Γαλιλαία δεν έχει φανεί ποτέ».

Ο Κύριος όμως συνέχισε να κηρύττει λέγοντας: «Εγώ είμαι το φως του κόσμου. Εκείνος που με ακολουθεί δεν θα περιπλανιέται ποτέ στο σκοτάδι της αμαρτίας, αλλά θα έχει μέσα του το ζωφόρο και πνευματικό φως». Όλοι αυτοί οι Ιουδαίοι ακροατές του Χριστού είχαν δίπλα τους το φως της ζωής, και παρέμεναν στο σκοτάδι. Το φως άγγιξε τη ζωή τους, κι αυτοί οι δύστυχοι βυθίζονταν περισσότερο στο σκοτάδι, στην άρνηση και την αντίδραση.

Αυτή η κατάσταση επαναλαμβάνεται πολλές φορές στην ιστορία και ιδιαιτέρως στις μέρες μας. Πόσοι βαπτισμένοι Ορθόδοξοι Χριστιανοί δεχθήκαμε το φως της πίστεως και της αλήθειας. Ο Χριστός πλημμύρισε με το φως του τη ζωή μας, όταν βαπτιστήκαμε στο όνομά του. Αυτόν ντυθήκαμε τότε, για να ζήσουμε πλέον μία φωτεινή εν Χριστώ ζωή. Και να πορευόμαστε ως τέκνα φωτός. Δυστυχώς όμως πολλοί Χριστιανοί επηρεάζονται από την αμαρτία και πελαγοδρομούν μέσα στα σκοτάδια του κόσμου. Ψάχνουν αλλού για φως και χάνονται στα σκοτεινά μονοπάτια των αιρέσεων, των παραθρησκειών. Είναι τραγικό να πορεύονται σαν τυφλοί και να χάνουν το δρόμο τους, ενώ είναι δίπλα τους ο Χριστός και τους περιμένει να τους δώσει το φως του.

Μήπως όμως κι εμείς κάποτε επηρεαζόμαστε από τα σκοτάδια του κόσμου της αμαρτίας; Ζούμε πράγματι μέσα στο φως του Χριστού ή μάς ελκύει το σκοτάδι και μας ταλανίζει η αμφιβολία και η πλάνη; Ας μην ξεγελιόμαστε. Ο Χριστός είναι το φως του κόσμου. Ας Τον παρακαλούμε λοιπόν να φωτίζει τις σκέψεις μας, τις επιθυμίες μας, τις ενέργειές μας, τα βιώματά μας.



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Intercessory Prayer

“Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up;”



Please continue to pray for the protection and health of first responders, healthcare providers, police, and firefighters.

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Denis	Nicole	Dean	Perry	Lynn
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- Food Bank of Lower Fairfield County - <https://www.foodbanklfc.org/>
- Covenant House - <http://www.covenanthouse.org/donation-match>
- Pacific House (men's homeless shelter) - <https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/shelter>
- Building 1 Community (immigrants) - <https://building1community.org/covid-19-response-fund/>
- Domus (at risk youth) - <https://www.domuskids.org/>



Saint Barnabas the Apostle - June 11
By Fr. George Poulos

The message of Jesus Christ was too vast an undertaking for the original twelve disciples and a task force of an additional seventy apostles was selected by the Messiah to represent him wherever their feet could carry them. It is not known which of these seventy holy men logged the most miles in the name of Jesus Christ, but of this number the most outstanding seems to be a man called Barnabas. It has been said before that inviting a comparison among the holy men who comprised the apostles of the Lord is to invite embarrassment, but owing to his close association with the incomparable St. Paul, the best known of the seventy apostles - most of whose names are obscure - appears to be Barnabas.

A favorable mention in the Bible is an assurance of greatness and Barnabas is included in the holy "Who's Who" in the eyes of God by being cited in the Acts of the New Testament, written by St. Luke, who says: "And Joseph, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, which is, being interpreted, the Son of Consolation, a Levite and of the country of Cyprus" (Act 4:36). A native of Cyprus, Barnabas made his way to Jerusalem to find Christ, but not until he had sold all of his worldly goods, as indicated again in Acts. Therein it is stated the Barnabas "having land, sold it, and brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet." This gesture assumes greater significance when it is remembered that the wealth of Barnabas was considerable.

Although the glorious Paul was a native of Tarsus, Barnabas stood on common ground with him when he received his religious training from the renowned rabbinical tutor Gamaliel, the teacher from whom Paul acquired, some years after Barnabas, his complete knowledge of the ancient covenant. It is also apparent that when Barnabas went to Jerusalem he sought out of his cousin, who happened to be St. Mark and who lived with his mother Mary in the Holy City. With such a family background, together with an intensive religious training, it is no surprise that Barnabas became an apostle and that he was qualified to join in service to Christ with the greatest missionary of all: St. Paul.

It is generally acknowledged that without the missionary work of the noble St. Paul, Christianity might not have become the strongest spiritual force in the world, perhaps might not have even survived at all, but Paul had the tremendous help of the equally noble Barnabas, who brought Paul from Tarsus to begin his missionary work. A favorite among the apostles, Barnabas was present at Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came upon all the apostles and inspired the greatest religious crusade in the history of mankind. It is no accident that following Barnabas' missionary work in Antioch, that city became a center of the new faith of Christianity.

Barnabas then joined with Paul in a glorious partnership for spreading of the word of the Messiah, a companionship whose joint efforts brought Christianity into every corner of Syria, Asia Minor, Cyprus, Greece, Egypt, Jerusalem, and even to Rome. This colossal achievement took months of unceasing labor, infinite patience, and an unbridled enthusiasm for the truth of Jesus Christ which Barnabas and Paul shared in abundance.

After having briefly served as bishop of Milan, Barnabas returned to his native Cyprus as the vicar of Christ in the city of Salamina, where the Christian faith progressed with great strides, with Barnabas providing the impetus to sustain Christianity through conquests and upheavals that few countries have known. His success brought down on him the wrath of the pagan government and this servant of God was snatched from his sanctuary and burned to death. His body was not entirely consumed by the fire and his remains were cast into a ditch, to be recovered later and placed in a simple grave.

After nearly five hundred years, the patriarch of Antioch proposed removing the sacred remains of Barnabas to what he considered a more suitable site, a proposition vehemently opposed by Bishop Anthemios of Cyprus, who appealed successfully to the patriarch of Constantinople. The patriarch not only supported Anthemios but declared the Church of Cyprus to be autocephalous, which it remains to this day.

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Parish Registry

Births:

Christopher John Vozzella on June 2, 1st child of Alexis Nanos & Joe Vozzella and grandson of Christopher & Pamela Nanos

Deaths:

·Harriet Kostulias Hett on May 30, sister of Georgia and mother of Bill Hett

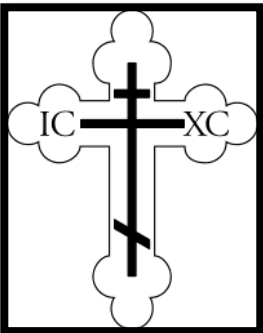
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Parish Council

With the recent guidance from Archbishop Elpidophoros and directives from Governor Lamont, our Parish Council has agreed to:

- Increase the number permitted to attend Liturgy from 25 to 50 (while we realize many are very hesitant to attend, there are others who miss it terribly)
- Utilize an infrared, touchless thermometer to take everyone's temperature as they enter for worship (provided by the State of Connecticut)
- Offer an outdoor Liturgy at least once a month (this is welcome news to many who consider this a safer way to participate)
- Permit meetings in the Hall now that non-worship gatherings of 10 people can occur indoors

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Works of Mercy

- 44 Meals delivered on Thursday to shut-ins, elderly, and others in need
- Young adult donates \$1,750 to the Priest Discretionary Fund to help the poor and needy
- Foundation Fund has offered another \$10,000 to the Priest Discretionary Fund
- Member calls a list of 10 shut-ins every week to check on them and share God's love
- Priest Discretionary Fund has contributed \$500 to Building One Community to assist immigrants with prescription medications
- Work with homeless continues in conjunction with Pacific House



*JOIN US FOR
OUTDOOR SERVICE
IN FRONT OF CHURCH
RACIAL RECONCILIATION
TUESDAY JUNE 9 @ 7PM*

We encourage you to bring a friend or a neighbor

OUTDOOR LITURGY

SUNDAY, JUNE 14

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

*Nameday of everyone, especially those without an identifiable patron Saint
Anniversary of the "Opening of the Doors" (Thyranoixia) of our church in 1959*



Schedule

- Orthros 8:45am & Liturgy 10am
- Program 11:30am – Promotion of all Children in Preschool, Church School & Greek School; Recognition of all Graduates from High School & College
- Food Truck will prepare Fresh Greek Food for lunch 12noon for either Take Out or to Enjoy on our Front Lawn for a fee.

We are allowed up to 150 for outdoor Liturgy; bring your own lawn chair; wear a face mask & observe social distancing

Further Details will follow

Let's Celebrate!

SUPPORT THESE SMALL BUSINESSES OWNED BY MEMBERS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY!

Please help us by sending to Antonia by phone (203-348-4216), email (office@archangelsgoc.org) your information:

- your name
- name of your business
- address, phone number, web site
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Young Adult Coffee House
Every month via Zoom
Be on the alert for next Zoom meeting!



*Office hours Monday -Friday 9am -2pm working at the office
All worship is livestreamed; all meetings via Zoom
Blessing of Families & Homes all week by appointment*

Monday 06/08	Funeral of Harriet Hett 11am @ Bosak Funeral Home, followed by Interment @ St John's Cemetery	Morning Bible Study 8pm (Matthew 18:10-20)
Tuesday 06/09	7:00pm Service of Racial Reconciliation— Outdoors in front of Church	
Wednesday 06/10		
Thursday 06/11		1:00pm Meal delivery
Friday 06/12		1:00pm Mail pick up for Ministries
Saturday 06/13		
Sunday 06/14	Feast of All Saints 8:45am Orthros 10:00am Liturgy 1:00pm Coffee Hour via Zoom	

Upcoming Events

Next Sunday, June 14: **Feast of All Saints** – Nameday of everyone, especially those who do not have an identifiable patron Saint; Anniversary of the “Opening of the Doors” (Thyranoixia) of our church in 1959; National Flag Day . *Outdoor Liturgy with Program afterward:*

- *Promotion of all children in Preschool, Church School & Greek School*
- *Honoring Graduates from High School & College*
- *Commercial Food Truck that will prepare Greek style food for “Grab 'n Go” or to enjoy on our property.*

Details for Outdoor Liturgy and Food will follow. Please submit for graduates – name, degree, field of Interest, academic awards & future plans

Mon 6/15: Caregiver Support Group @ Silver Source
Tues 6/16: Compline 7:15pm; Parish Council 7:30pm
Wed 6/17: Ecumenical Clergy 12pm
Tue 6/23: Philo托chos Board 7pm

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