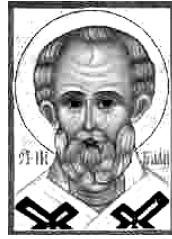


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Second Sunday after Pentecost – Sunday of All Saints of North America

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Schedule of Services and Activities

Saturday, June 12th – 5:00 PM

Sunday, June 13th – 9:30 AM

Great Vespers

Divine Liturgy

Welcome to those who are visiting with us today! If you would like more information about the Orthodox faith or would like to speak with the priest, please let our ushers know. We invite you to fill out a visitor card and drop it into the offering basket as your offering today. Please join us for coffee hour after the service!

A note on kneeling: While it is the custom of some to kneel on Sundays (and they are not forbidden to do so in this parish) all are reminded of the ruling given to the entire Church by the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council in 325 AD which states: **“Forasmuch as there are certain persons who kneel on the Lord’s Day (Sunday) and in the days of Pentecost (the 50 days after Pascha), therefore, to the intent that all things may be uniformly observed everywhere (in every parish), it seems good to the holy Synod that prayer be made to God standing.”** The reasons for standing on Sunday are clear: Because it is the Lord’s Day and every Sunday is a little celebration of the Resurrection. Therefore it is appropriate that the faithful do not kneel on Sundays, because kneeling is a penitential act and is not appropriate for such a joyous day (in other words, there are six days which we ought to kneel, but not on Sundays). So, to be clear, those who grew up in the Church and were taught from a young age to kneel on Sundays, and who wish for personal reasons of conscience to maintain the practice of kneeling on Sundays, are not forbidden to do so in this parish. **However, new Orthodox Christians and those who wish to follow the more Traditional practice, are encouraged to stand on Sundays in deference to the Resurrection of Christ.**

We are in need of coffee hour sponsors this Summer! Please see Melissa Graff if you can help!

Thank you to all those who helped to make the concert of the Konevets Quartet a splendid evening, and to those parishioners who supported the event. May God bless you for your faithfulness.

Our parish is sponsoring a \$1,000 July 4th Holiday Raffle. Please see Margie Speth if you would like tickets to purchase or to sell.

Sign up for a Standing Committee! Can you help in the areas of finance, maintenance, membership and long-range planning? There is a sign up sheet on the Bulletin Board in the Church Hall for Standing Committee volunteers. Please sign up to use your God-given talents and help our Church community grow!

The OCA will sponsor two concurrent events at Baldwin Wallace College near Cleveland, OH from Sunday, June 27th to Wednesday, June 30th – the **Equipping the Saints Parish Ministries Conference** and **Orthodox Young Adult Rally**. Registration deadline is June 11th. Go to <http://oca.org> and click on the link for details.

Looking ahead: Our parish picnic will be held at Robinson Park on Sunday, August 22nd.

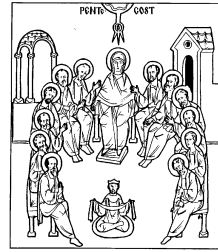
Vigil Light Donations (*Please remember the following people in your prayers*) **From Helen Cobb** for the departed servants, George, Ray Cobb, Fr. Vladimir & Mat. Olga, Darius Walat; for the health of Ruth, Vic, Todd, Aleisha, Dick, Jared, Helen March Shancey, Stephanie Kowal, the Tichy, Fuller, Kasnot, Speth, Wasilko, Barsom, Soroka and Mell families. **From Doris M. Wasilko** for the departed servants, (parents) Charles & Mary; for the health of the Wasilko family and Carol Kowalcheck. **From Charles A. Wasilko** for the health of sisters, Doris & Marsha and Carol Kowalcheck; in memory of all departed military Veterans. **From Alexandria Tirpak** for the departed servants (parents & grandparents) Amelia & John, Marie & Nicholas, Ann & Frank, (brother & nephew) Nicholas & Nicholas—Memory Eternal; for the health of (children), Amelia, Andrea, Richard & their families, Mildred, Violet, JoAnn; Community of St. Nicholas Parish; men & women serving our country; special intentions; God Bless America. **From Marsha Wasilko** for the health of the Wasilko family; in memory of all departed U. S. Armed Forces. **From Nancy Pravlochak** for the departed servant, Fr. Vladimir; for the health of Gina Pravlochak and the Pravlochak family. **From Susan Sipes Stroehlen** for the departed servant, husband, Jon. **From Bob & Mary Beth Madalinsky** for the health of our friend, Louis. **For Peter & Garnette Kerchum** for the departed servants, V. Rev. Fr. Vladimir and Mat. Olga Soroka; for the health of grandson, Michael Lopez, Jr., and Margaret Abbott. **From Tom Robes** for the departed servant, George Porvaznik and Victor Robes—WW II veterans; for the health of Georgiann and Rachel; thank to all veterans for keeping us safe. **From Michelle Bittner** for the health Helen Shancey. **From Natasha & Charles Tichy** for the departed servants, Aleksandra, Ilya, Praskovia, Anna and Vladimir; for safe travels for Natasha & Charlie. **From Marina Petrov** for the departed servant, Mnikha Agardovskaya; for the health of family; for safe trip.

Thank you to our June donors! **Holy Bread** (\$50) from Margaret Speth in memory of father, Michael Kadylak. **Communion Wine** (\$40) from George and Nancy Shaytar for the repose of Ester Tylavsky.. **Altar Candles** (\$25) from Kathy Zyroll Bevington and family and Margie Zyroll in memory of parents, Mitchell and Dorothy Zyroll. **Incense** (\$10) from Susan Sipes Stroehlen in memory of husband, John.

This bulletin is offered by Robert and Margaret Speth in memory of Michael and Metro Kadylak and Robert and Madeline Speth.

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Tone 1 *Troparion of the Resurrection*

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,
while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body,
Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior,
granting life to the world.

The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life:
Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ!
Glory to Thy Kingdom!
Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou who lovest mankind!

Tone 8 *Troparion of All Saints of North America*

As the bountiful harvest of Your sowing of salvation,
the lands of North America offer to You, O Lord, all the saints who have shone in them.
By their prayers keep the Church and our land in abiding peace
through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One.

Tone 1 *Kontakion of the Resurrection*

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory,
raising the world with Thyself.
Human nature praises Thee as God for death has vanished,
Adam exults, O Master!
Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage, and cries to Thee:
Thou art the giver of resurrection to all, O Christ!

Tone 1 *Prokeimenon* (Psalm 33)

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee!

Tone 7 *Prokeimenon of All Saints of North America*

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints

Epistle (Rom 2:10-16)

...but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God.

For as many as have sinned without law will also perish without law, and as many as have sinned in the law will be judged by the law (for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified; for when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do the things in the law, these, although not having the law, are a law to themselves, who show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves their thoughts accusing or else excusing them) in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

Gospel (Matthew 4:18-23)

And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately left their nets and followed Him.

Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him.

And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest!
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! Alleluia!

*While Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians
who prepare themselves by prayer and fasting,
non-Orthodox visitors are welcome to come forward to venerate the cross
and receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) at the conclusion of the service.*

Please join us downstairs for coffee hour following the Divine Liturgy.

Visit St. Nick's Corner! We have a great selection of music boxes and other trinkets (generously donated by Garnette Kerchum) priced for sale! Also, all books are on sale for 20% off with an added bonus of a St. Nicholas 90th anniversary pen, Christmas CD or St. Nicholas ornament thrown in! Our T-Shirts are also discounted 20% so that you can stock up for those hot summer days! Please see Marsha Wasilko or Michelle Bittner if you would like to browse our showcase or make a purchase. Thank you.

We are currently observing the Apostle's Fast which ends on the feast of Sts Peter and Paul (June 29th).