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Sunday, June 5, 2022

Saturday Vespers, 7pm • Sunday Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am

Sunday after the Ascension • Holy Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council



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Troparion for the Resurrection (Tone 6): When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb. And the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee!

Troparion for the Ascension (Tone 4): Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy Disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing that Thou art the Son of God, and Deliverer of the world.

Troparion for the Holy Fathers (Tone 8): Thou O Christ art our God of exceeding praise, who didst establish our holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true faith. O most merciful One, glory to Thee!

Troparion of All Saints (Tone 4): Adorned in the blood of Thy martyrs, throughout all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church through them doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassion upon Thy people; grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion for the Ascension (Tone 6): When Thou didst fulfill Thy dispensation for our sakes, and united earth to heaven: Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, not being parted from those who love Thee, but remaining with them and crying: ‘I am with you, and no one will be against you!’

THE EPISTLE READING

For the Sunday after Ascension

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers.

For Thou art just in all Thou hast done to us.

The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (20:16-18, 28-36)

In those days, Paul was determined to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening, if possible, to be at Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the priests of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: “Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you bishops, to shepherd the church of the

Lord and God, which He purchased with His own blood. For I know that after my departure ravenous wolves will enter among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore, remain watchful, remembering that for three years I did not cease to admonish every one, night and day with tears. And now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by such laboring we ought to help the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He Himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down on his knees with them all, and prayed.

THE GOSPEL READING

For the Sunday after Ascension

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (17:1-26)

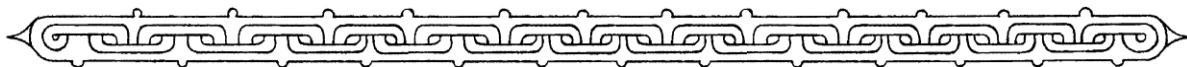
At that time, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said:

Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest me to do. And now, Father, glorify Thou me in Thy own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made. I have manifested Thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest me out of the world; Thine they were, and Thou gavest them to me, and they have kept Thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given me is from Thee; for I have given them the words which Thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send me.



I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given me, for they are Thine; all mine are Thine, and Thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy Name, which Thou hast given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy Name, which Thou have given Me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. I have given them Thy word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I do not pray that Thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that Thou shouldst keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; Thy word is truth. As Thou didst send me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be consecrated in truth.

I do not pray for these only, but also for those who believe in me through their word, that they may all be one; even as Thou, Father, art in me, and I in Thee, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that Thou hast sent me. The glory which Thou hast given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and Thou in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that Thou hast sent me and hast loved them even as Thou hast loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom Thou hast given me, may be with me where I am, to behold my glory which Thou hast given me in Thy love for me before the foundation of the world. O righteous Father, the world has not known Thee, but I have known Thee; and these know that Thou hast sent me. I made known to them Thy name, and I will make it known, that the love with which Thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them.



:: THE ASCENSION ::

From *The Year of the Grace of our Lord*, by “A Monk of the Eastern Church”

It is rare, if one has lived through the joy of Easter time sincerely, that one does not experience a certain constriction of the heart when the day of the Ascension comes. We know perfectly well that it is one of the very great Christian feasts, and yet, despite ourselves, it seems like a parting, a separation, and that after it, our Lord is not with us in quite the same way any longer. The disciples did not react like this. They could have been overwhelmed with grief, but, on the contrary, they 'returned to Jerusalem with great joy'. We, too, can try and enter into this joy of the Ascension. Why does the Ascension bring joy to Christians?

First of all, the glory of our Lord must be very precious to us, and the Ascension is the crown of his earthly mission. He has accomplished on earth the whole mission which he had received from the Father. It is to the Father that his whole being reaches out. Now he will receive from the Father the welcome that his victory over sin and death—a victory gained so grievously—has merited for him. ... Let us know how to love our Lord enough to rejoice in his own joy.

Then the Ascension marks God's acceptance of the Son's whole work of reparation. The Resurrection was the first dazzling sign of this acceptance, and Pentecost will be the last sign. The cloud which today envelopes Jesus and ascends with him to heaven represents the smoke of the sacrifice rising from the altar to God. The sacrifice is accepted, and the victim is admitted to God's presence where it will continue to be offered in an eternal and heavenly manner. The work of our salvation has been accomplished and is blessed.

Jesus does not return to his Father in isolation. ... Jesus brings into it the human nature which he had assumed. He opens the door of the kingdom to humanity. As if by proxy, we take possession of the benefits which are offered and made possible to us. ... There are places destined for us in the kingdom, if we are faithful. Our presence is desired and awaited. ...

When the disciples had been separated from Jesus, they remained full of hope, for they knew that they were to receive the Spirit. *“He commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father.”* The cloud surrounds Jesus, but this cloud is colored already by the fire of Pentecost. Jesus, in going away from us, leaves in us an attitude which is one not of regret, but rather of joyous and trustful awaiting.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services at All Saints, see our website www.allsaintsorthodox.org

This week at All Saints:

- *The Sacraments of Confession, Anointing, and any other priestly services are available after posted services or by appointment.*
- *Home blessings resume after Pascha; please see Fr. Andrew if you would like your home blessed.*
- **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:** Morning prayers, 9am.
- **Wednesday, June 8:** Vespers, 7pm.
- **Thursday, June 9:** Pre-school moms group, 9am.
- **Saturday, June 11: Marriage of Tristan Hoppe & Katie Gillaspie**, 2pm at All Saints. There will be a reception afterwards in the church hall; RSVP to Tristan if you plan to stay: tvhoppe@gmail.com.
- There will be no Saturday Vespers on June 11.
- **Sunday, June 12: Pentecost Sunday.** Orthros & Divine Liturgy, beginning at 8:30am, followed by the Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MEETING: If you taught church school (acclimation through high school) this past year, or are planning to teach next school year, please plan to stay after Liturgy on **Sunday, June 26** for a meeting. See Melissa W. if you have any questions.

CAMP ST. GEORGE: Our diocesan summer camp resumes this year for ages 9 through high school, **July 3-9** at Camp Ewalu in Strawberry Point, Iowa.

KIDS SUMMER BIBLE CAMP: St. George Church in Cicero is once again hosting a children's summer Bible camp, **July 11-14** (Mon.-Thurs.), for ages 6 to 12. Register online at www.stgeorgechi.com/camp.

The wedding of **Michael Almisry & Allison Plyer** will be at New Gracanica Monastery, **Sunday, August 21** at 3pm. The address is 35249 W. Grant Ave., Third Lake, IL 60046.

BISHOP ANTHONY'S VISIT: Mark your calendars! His Grace Bishop ANTHONY will be here at All Saints on **Sunday, August 7** for a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy.

Volunteer Schedule

| Date | Reader | Prosphora | Greeter | Coffee | Food |
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| Sun June 5 | Jason L | Pat K | Nancy L | Domitille | L-P |
| Sun June 12 <i>Pentecost</i> | Joseph L | Domitille | Domitille | Zach C | R-Z |
| Sunday June 19 <i>All Saints</i> | Richard C. | Cristina P | Sandy A | Lydia A | A-F |
| Sun June 26 | Michelle C | Dn Walid | Azizeh C | Alina S | G-K |
| Tues June 28 <i>Sts. Peter and Paul</i> | Subd Joseph | Sandy A | Nancy L | | Potluck |

For Sunday coffee hour, the church has been divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). On your assigned week, please bring something simple to share with everyone for coffee hour.

If you have children, please monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and help them clean up after themselves.

Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour. And of course, things go faster when we can all pitch in and help.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

JUNE 5-11, 2022

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The Old Testament readings listed for the Paschal season come from the baptismal readings of Holy Saturday and from the services of the Ascension.

Sunday, June 5: Holy Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

John 21:1-14 / Acts 20:16-18, 28-36 / John 17:1-13 (17:1-26)

Monday, June 6: Bessarion the Wonder-worker of Egypt

Isaiah 62:10-63:9 / Acts 22:1-23:11 / John 15:11-17

Tuesday, June 7: Holy Martyr Theodotus of Ancyra

Zechariah 14:1-11 / Acts 23:12-24:27 / John 15:18-27

Wednesday, June 8: Kalliope the Martyr

Genesis 14:14-20 / Acts 25:1-27 / John 16:1-11

Thursday, June 9: Righteous Father Columba of Iona

Deuteronomy 1:8-17 / Acts 26:1-32 / John 16:12-15

Friday, June 10: Holy Apostle Bartholomew

Deuteronomy 10:14-21 / Acts 27:1-44 / John 16:16-22

Saturday, June 11: St. Luke the Surgeon of Simferopol

Acts 28:1-31 / John 16:23-33

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