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Sunday Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. – Weekdays Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

General Confession 1st Sunday of month

Private Confession every Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. or upon request

June 1, 2025, 2025

Epistle: Act 20: 16-18; 28-36

Gospel: John 17: 1-13

COFFEE HOUR: There is a Coffee Hour after Divine Liturgy. Come and enjoy Christian Fellowship.

THE HEALTH: Please pray for the following: Stephanie Kennedy, Drake Kennedy, Wellington Kennedy, Conrad Kennedy, Gloria Wheeler, Judy Wadysz, Anna Hagopian, Reader Gary (Paul) Repella, Michael Gaujanian, Marion Kurtyka, Sonia Kurtyka, Bradley Webster, Roger Wodkowski, Daniel Moran, Marge Wade, Mary Varchola, Zlatko Petrovich, Ronald Miller, Tamara Perri, Wyatt Alexander Jankowski, Jim Fisher, Eileen Fremont, Pat Dominick, Mary Ann Harvilla, Sophie Miller, Joan Marie Ruppert, Stephanie Henkel, David Tomchuk, Margaret Lawrence and Karen Telep.

HOSPITALIZED: *Margaret Lawrence*, was released from Oakwood Hospital, Saturday, May 31, 2025. She will be at home temporarily awaiting additional surgery. Please pray for her improved health and for her family.

KNEE REPLACEMENT: *Karen Telep* is now home recovering from having a knee replacement on Tuesday May 27th. Please pray for her speedy recovery!

PLEASE REMEMBER: During the period between *Easter* and *Pentecost*, because of the glory bestowed on mortals by Christ's victory over death, **Orthodox Christians do not kneel in church.** (taken from Faith of our Fathers)

CHURCH SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Saturday, June 7 th – Pentecost Vespers	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 8 th – Pentecost Sunday, Divine Liturgy	9:30 a.m.
Kneeling Prayers to follow Divine Liturgy	
Monday, June 9 th Holy Spirit Day Divine Liturgy	10:00 a.m.

HOLY ASCENSION DAY: Thursday, 40 days after Christ's Resurrection, the Ascension of our Lord is a cornerstone of Orthodox Christian belief, marking the return of the resurrected Christ to the His Father in glory. It signifies the triumph of humanity and the opening of the path to heaven for all who follow Christ. The Ascension also symbolizes the union of heaven and earth and the promise of Christ's return! Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. And when they saw him, they worshipped Him: but some doubted. And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit; He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. So then, after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven and sat on the right hand of God. And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following.

1ST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL: 1st Council of Nicaea (325 A.D.) council of the Christian Church (referred as the Council of the 318 fathers) meeting was called by the Emperor Constantine. The council affirmed an Orthodox view of Christ being both divine and human nature and developed the Nicene Creed, 1st of 7 articles which is still used in the Orthodox Churches today. Emperor Constantine and the whole body of believers resolved the controversy of Arianism, a doctrine that held that Christ was not divine but was a created being.

CHURCH DONATIONS:

Stefan (donation towards Coffee Maker)	\$1,000.00
Helen Woytowich & Al Bejczy (in memory of Julian Woytowich)	\$ 100.00
Deacon Dan Woytowich (in memory of Julian Woytowich)	\$ 100.00
Randal Antonishak (Special prayers for all Military no longer with us including my father Alexander Antonishak & brother Ronald Antonishak)	\$ 25.00