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MAY 31, 2020
**SUNDAY OF THE 318 HOLY FATHERS OF
THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL,
AFTER FEAST OF ASCENSION
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA**

Epistle Reading
Acts 20:16-18, 28-36

Gospel Reading
John 17:1-13

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Troparion of Ascension: O Christ God, You have ascended in Glory, granting joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through the blessing they were assured that You are the Son of God, The Redeemer of the world!

Troparion of the Holy Fathers: You are most glorious, O Christ our God! You have established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth! Through them You have guided us to the True Faith! O greatly Compassionate One, glory to You!

Kontakion of the Holy Fathers: The Apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrines have established one faith for the Church. Adorned with the robe of truth, woven from heavenly theology, it defines and glorifies the great mystery of Orthodoxy!

Kontakion of Ascension: When You had united earth to heaven: You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, not being parted from those who love You, but remaining with them and crying: "I am with you and no one will be against you!"

Welcome to Our Guests

We offer a warm welcome to everyone praying with us today via Zoom. May you experience along with us the fullness of the Orthodox Faith and the great joy of the Paschal season. Please stay with us for "Coffee Hour".



The Commemoration of the **First Ecumenical Council** has been celebrated by the Church of Christ from ancient times. The Lord Jesus Christ left the Church a great promise, "I will build My Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (Mt. 16:18). Although the Church of Christ on earth will pass through difficult struggles with the Enemy of salvation, it will emerge victorious. The holy martyrs bore witness to the truth of the Savior's words, enduring suffering and death for confessing Christ, but the persecutor's sword is shattered by the Cross of Christ.

--From the Orthodox Church in America website, Feasts and Saints

St. Nicholas Cathedral Discussion: "Science and Religion" - Monday, June 1 - 7PM
Join St. Nicholas Cathedral on Zoom this Monday at 7PM when Professor Vadim Knyazev will be speaking on "Science and Religion."

- Zoom: 210-068-7480
- Password: 208156

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, June 3 – 7PM

Everyone is invited to join the online study group this Wednesday. Fr. John will email sign-in information for the continuing discussion on St. Gregory of Nyssa from "The Holy Fire" by Robert Payne.

Great Feast of Pentecost – Sunday, June 7

We celebrate in our homes with flowers and leaves and wear green like the priest.

First Sunday of the Month – June 7

Remember the hungry, homeless and COVID-affected families next Sunday by donating food, Grocery gift cards or checks to local or national organizations.

God Grant You Many Years! God bless Geele Romanchak on his 1st birthday!