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FEAST of ALL SAINTS of NORTH AMERICA
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Readings

Romans 2:10-16
Hebrews 11:33-12:2

Gospel Readings

Matthew 4:18-23
Matthew 4:25-5:12

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

Troparion for North American Saints: 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.

Kontakion: Today the choir of Saints who were pleasing to God in the lands of North America now stands before us in the Church and invisibly prays to God for us. With them the angels glorify Him, and all the saints of the Church of Christ keep festival with them; and together they all pray for us to the Pre-Eternal God.

Rejoice, O mountains of Pennsylvania! Leap for joy, O waters of the Great Lakes! Rise up, O fertile plains of Canada! For the elect of Christ who dwelt in you are glorified -- men and women who left their homes for a new land! With faith, hope and patience as their armor they courageously fought the good fight. Comforted by the beauty of the Orthodox Faith they labored in mines and mills, they tilled the land, they braved the challenges of the great cities enduring many hardships and sufferings. Never failing to worship God in spirit and truth and unyielding in devotion to His most pure Mother, they erected many temples to His glory. Come, O assembly of the Orthodox! With love let us praise the holy women, men and children, those known to us and those known only to God, and let us cry out to them:

“Rejoice, All Saints of North America and pray to God for us!”

Celebrate with Joy!

The St. Luke Church community joins with Fr. John and Popadija Kitty to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary today! We offer our love and gratitude for their vision, pastoral care, Christian education and faithful friendship. May God bless them and grant them a peaceful life, health, salvation and furtherance in all good things. Keep them and preserve them for many years! Mnogaja ljeta!

Memory Eternal

We offer prayers in memory of our beloved Fr. Milorad and Protinića Rose Milosevich and all departed fathers, grandfathers and godfathers. Grant rest eternal with the Saints, in blessed repose, O Lord, to the souls of Thy departed servants. Memory Eternal † Večnaja Pamjat † Mengiste Semayat Yawareselen †

Many Years! Mnogaja ljeta!

We extend a Father’s Day tribute to our fathers, grandfathers and godfathers and birthday greetings to Amanda Costello and Johnny Carmichael. Grant, O Lord, a peaceful life, health, salvation and furtherance in all good things. Keep them and preserve them for many years!

SS Peter & Paul Fast and Feast

- The Apostles Fast continues through Saturday, July 11.
- The Feast of SS Peter and Paul will be celebrated on Sunday, July 12.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, June 24 – 7PM

Everyone is invited to join the online study group this Wednesday. Fr. John will email sign-in information for the discussion on St. John Chrysostom from “The Holy Fire” by Robert Payne.

Virtual 5K for IOCC Fundraiser – Saturday, June 27

On June 27, people will be racing across the country (and around the globe!) in a virtual 5K to raise funds and awareness for IOCC programs. Get the whole family involved to walk, run, exercise at home indoors or outdoors, or bike for 3.1 miles. Have a fun and safe 5K while donating to IOCC’s humanitarian aid programs. Registration is \$20 at [IOCC Virtual 5K](#). Share photos online during/after the event.

“Inspiring Generosity & Stewards” – Saturday, June 27 – 9:30AM-3:30PM

A virtual workshop is sponsored by the Orthodox Christian Leadership Initiative and St. Nicholas Cathedral on June 27. Learn about securing a plan to achieve your parish financial goals and about trusting in God’s provision. The cost is \$60/\$10 college students. Find the agenda and list of speakers [here](#).