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JUNE 20, 2021
GREAT FEAST OF PENTECOST
TRINITY SUNDAY

Epistle Reading
Acts 2:1-11

Gospel Reading
John 7:37-52, 8:12

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

Troparion

Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast revealed the fishermen as most wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit, and through them Thou didst draw the world into Thy net. O Lover of Man, glory to Thee!

Kontakion

When the Most High came down and confused the tongues, He divided the nations; but when he distributed the tongues of fire, He called all to unity. Therefore, with one voice, we glorify the All-holy Spirit!

Hymn to the Theotokos for Pentecost

Rejoice, O Queen, glory of mothers and virgins! No tongue, however sweet or fluent, is eloquent enough to praise thee worthily. Every mind is overawed by thy childbearing. Therefore, with one voice, we glorify thee.

Memory Eternal ~ Večnaja Pamjat ~ Mengiste Semayat Yawareselen

We offer prayers in memory of our beloved Fr. Milorad and Protinića Rose Milosevich, Nenad Markovic on the 40th day of his falling asleep, Čana (Jovan Marjanovich's mother) on the second anniversary of her falling asleep. and all departed fathers, grandfathers, Godfathers and uncles. Grant rest eternal with the Saints, in blessed repose, O Lord, to the souls of Thy departed servants.

Kneeling Prayers

At 1:15PM, we will come together again for the three Kneeling Prayers of the Great Vespers of Pentecost. We kneel today for the first time since Pascha.

Great Feast of Pentecost ~ Joy of the Feast!

This day clergy and bishops wear green vestments and the Church has green Altar Table cloths and decorations to show that God's divine Breath comes to renew all creation as the "Life-creating Spirit." Our tradition is to weave green grasses and leaves into crosses and wreaths/crowns to place on an icon at home, to give as a gift to someone, or to place on the grave of a loved one.



Welcome to everyone joining with us today in person and by live-stream for the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about Orthodoxy, we invite you to stay for Coffee Hour to meet Fr. John and to get acquainted with us. And come again for prayer, study and fellowship.

Children's Celebration

The children will have a special celebration today for Pentecost as the Birthday of the Church! Thank you to Elizabeth Minahan for coordinating the festivities.

Father's Day Celebration

The Sisterhood members and Coffee Hour Coordinator Rada Carmichael have organized light refreshments for our fellowship time following Divine Liturgy each week, all in accordance with current health guidelines. Many thanks to those who volunteered to donate food and beverages for today's Father's Day Celebration.

Feast and Fasting Days

- Tomorrow is the Feast of the Holy Spirit. This coming week is fast-free.
- The Apostles Fast begins June 28 and ends on July 12, Feast of SS Peter & Paul.

Orthodoxy 201 - Wednesday, June 23 at 7PM on Zoom

Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives, The Life and Teachings of Elder Thaddeus of Vitovnica is the new book chosen for our weekly discussion. It can be purchased from Amazon or [St. Vladimir's Seminary Press](http://St.Vladimir'sSeminaryPress.com). Fr. John will email the Zoom link.

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!

- We offer a Father's Day tribute to our fathers, grandfathers, Godfathers & uncles.
- God bless Fr. John and Popadija Kitty on their 51st wedding anniversary.
- Birthday greetings to Olin Bidy, Johnny Carmichael, Amanda Costello and Madelyn Janos. "Grant, O Lord, a peaceful life, health, salvation and furtherance in all good things. Keep them and preserve them for many years!"