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JUNE 27, 2021
FEAST of ALL SAINTS
HOLY PROPHET ELISHA
FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 11:33-12:2

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30

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

Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

Troparion *(All Saints)*

As with fine porphyry and royal purple, Thy Church has been adorned with Thy martyrs' blood shed throughout all the world. She cries to Thee, O Christ God: "Send down Thy bounties on Thy people, grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls!"

Kontakion *(All Saints)*

The universe offers Thee the God-bearing Martyrs as the first fruits of creation, O Lord and Creator. By their prayers keep Thy Church, Thy habitation, in abiding peace through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One!

Memory Eternal ~ Večnaja Pamjat ~ Mengiste Semayat Yawareselen

We pray for the soul of the newly departed Asnakech Yemeru, aunt of Senait Taye. We offer prayers in memory of Reader David's mother Daisy Lumovich, his cousin and Alexia Kolias' cousin Gregory, and Joyce Warner on the anniversaries of their falling asleep.

Grant rest eternal with the Saints, in blessed repose, O Lord,
to the souls of Thy departed servants.

Come, O faithful, let us celebrate in song today,
Glorifying the memory of all the Saints!
Rejoice, glorious Apostles, Prophets, Martyrs, Hierarchs!
Rejoice, company of all the Just!
Rejoice, ranks of holy Women!
Pray that Christ will grant our souls great mercy!



Welcome to everyone joining with us today in person and by livestream for the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith, 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.

End of Church School Ice Cream Social - Today

We compliment Popadija Kitty and the teachers for pressing on in the past year to provide classes after Saturday Children's Liturgies. The school year ends today with a celebration hosted by John, Elizabeth and George Minahan. Many thanks!

Fasting and Feast Day

The Apostles Fast begins tomorrow, June 28, and continues until Sunday, July 11 when the Feast of SS Peter and Paul will be celebrated.

Orthodoxy 201 - Wednesday, June 30 at 7PM on Zoom

Join us for the compelling study of *Our Thoughts Determine Our Lives, The Life and Teachings of Elder Thaddeus of Vitovnica*. Fr. John will email the Zoom link.

First Saturday of the Month Great Vespers – July 3 at 5pm

We come together on Saturday at 5PM in person or by [livestream](#) for the evening prayers of Vespers to spiritually prepare for Sunday's Liturgy and the Eucharist.

First Sunday of the Month Faith in Action - "Food for the Needy" – July 4

We resume the collection of food for the homeless and low-income families in our local area. Please bring grocery gift cards, canned and boxed foods next Sunday.

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!

God bless Altar Server Daniel Costello who celebrates his 12th birthday this week. We also remember the 12th anniversary of Fr. John and Popadija Kitty's arrival to our parish. We offer love and gratitude for the pastoral care, teaching and servant leadership.

Grant them all, O Lord, a peaceful life, health, strength, salvation and furtherance in all Godly things and preserve and protect them for Many Years!