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JULY 24, 2022
BLESSED OLGA
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading
Romans 12:6-14

Gospel Reading
Matthew 9:1-8

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

Troparion (Resurrection)

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion (Blessed Olga)

Giving your mind the wings of divine understanding, you soared above visible creation seeking God the Creator of all. When you had found Him, you received rebirth through baptism. As one who enjoys the Tree of Life, you remain eternally incorrupt, ever-glorious Olga.

Kontakion (Blessed Olga)

Today let us praise God the Benefactor of all, who glorified divinely-wise Olga, that through her prayers, He may grant our souls remission of sins.

Kontakion (Resurrection)

You descended into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as Almighty, resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man, and we cry to You: "O Lord, save us!"

Memory Eternal

We pray for the souls of the newly-departed Fr. Duane Pederson, founder of Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry, and for our beloved Walden Burgess, known to us for 40 years as "Mr. Burgess," on the first anniversary of his falling asleep in the Lord. "Grant rest eternal with the Saints, in blessed repose, O Lord, to the souls of Thy departed servants."

Welcome to all guests with us today in person and by livestream. You are invited to join us afterwards for Coffee Hour in the parish hall. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to ask Fr. John and to get acquainted with all of us. Please come again for worship, study and fellowship.

Orthodox Church in America 20th All American Council

Last week the hierarchs, clergy, monastics, lay men and women, and youth from parishes across the USA, Canada and Mexico gathered in Baltimore, MD for the 20th AAC. Attending from our parish were: Popadija Kitty as a Metropolitan Council Delegate, John Minahan as our St. Luke Lay Delegate, Deacon Stefan and Donna Karabin as Observers, Zova and Jovan Glomazic in the Youth Program, and our volunteers: JoAnne de la Riva, Ron Kecman, Louise Romanchak, Theodore Schneider, and Sasha Vitko. They can tell us about their experiences in the liturgical services, plenary sessions, forums and fellowship. Visit OCA's [Website](http://www.oca.org) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/oca.usa) page to see news releases, photos, and videos.

BACK 2 SCHOOL Drive – Final Day is Today

Our parish Faith in Action Team thanks everyone who donated to the school supplies drive. We purchased ten backpacks from FOCUS N.A. and will deliver all items to Northern Virginia Family Services this week to benefit low-income children and teens. If anyone still wants to donate (before July 27) go to [NVFS](http://www.nvfamily.org) to see the giving options or donate during Coffee Hour today by cash or check payable to NVFS with "Back 2 School" in the memo line. Submit to Sue Mamula or Donna Karabin.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, July 27 at 7PM on Zoom

First-timers and the regulars are all welcome to join the online study group this Wednesday evening. Fr. John will email the Zoom link and his notes on the Gospel of Luke chapter 11.

Archdiocesan Choir of Washington, DC - Premier Performance – Sunday, July 31

The first concert of the [Archdiocesan Choir of Washington, DC](http://www.archdiocesanchoir.org) begins at 6PM on July 31 at St. Nicholas Cathedral in DC and by live-stream. It is titled "American Orthodoxy - Selections from Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy" and features music written by American composers. All music will be available for purchase and instant download.

Prison Ministry Awareness Sunday – July 31

The Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops has blessed July 31 to be devoted to prison ministry in all US Orthodox parishes. Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry ([OCPM](http://www.ocpm.org)) humbly asks for donations to support this vital outreach to Orthodox and non-Orthodox inmates.

God Grant You Many Years!

May God bless Milorad and Tracy Milosevich, and Diana Kinker and Youssef Zaki on their wedding anniversaries. Mnogaja ljeta!