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JULY 31, 2022
**HOLY FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX
ECUMENICAL COUNCILS**
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading

Romans 15:1-17
Hebrews 13:7-16

Gospel Reading

Matthew 9:27-35
John 17:1-13

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

Troparion (Resurrection)

The Angelic Powers were at Your tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Your grave, seeking Your most pure body. You captured hell, not being tempted by it. You came to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord, Who rose from the dead, glory to You.

Troparion (Fathers)

Thou art most glorious, O Christ our God, Who hast established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth. Through them Thou hast guided us to the True Faith. O greatly compassionate One, glory to Thee!

Kontakion (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 piety.

Kontakion (Resurrection)

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race. He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

Memory Eternal † Mengiste Semayat Yawareselen †

We offer memorial prayers on the first anniversary of the falling asleep of Adane Kassaye's aunt, Yeshi. "O Lord, grant her rest eternal with the Saints, in blessed repose."

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

Archdiocesan Choir of Washington, DC - Premier Performance – Schedule Change

The first concert of the [Archdiocesan Choir of Washington, DC](http://www.archdiocesanchoir.org), originally scheduled for today, has been postponed until Sunday, August 28 at St. Nicholas Cathedral in DC, 6PM, in person and by live-stream. Visit the website for details and new videos.

Prison Ministry Awareness Sunday – July 31 See [Matthew 25:36 Fellowship](http://www.matthew2536.org)

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.

“Faith in Action” Back 2 School Drive – Thank you!

Sue Mamula reports on the successful outcome of our Back 2 School Drive held the past two weeks. We had generous donations of school supplies and backpacks plus \$90 in cash and checks. Donations were also made on line. Northern Virginia Family Services (NVFS) is very appreciative. God bless everyone who contributed and God bless all the students.

Future Church School Teachers

Church School Director John Minahan is recruiting volunteers to serve as Church School Teachers for the 2022-23 school year. Two adults are needed for each class: Pre-School to 2nd Grade, 3rd to 5th Grade, and Middle School. All who are considering this opportunity may see John today or email him at john.t.minahan@gmail.com.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, August 3 at 7PM on Zoom

Everyone is welcome to join the online study group this Wednesday evening. Fr. John will email the Zoom link and his notes starting with Luke 11:37 and on to chapter 12.

“First Saturday of the Month” – August 6

- 9AM - Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 5PM - Great Vespers

“First Sunday of the Month” – Food for the Needy - August 7

All donated canned and boxed foods will help hungry families and the homeless.

Sacrament of Chrismation – Sunday, August 7

Zachary Popovich will be received into the Orthodox Faith through the Sacrament of Chrismation during next Sunday's Divine Liturgy. His sponsor is Ron Kecman.

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja ljeta!

May God bless Zova Glomazic on her 13th birthday and Rada Carmichael on her retirement from the US State Department–Foreign Service Institute. Congratulations!