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PENTECOST—FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

The Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles—Green Sunday

Martyr Lucillian and those who suffered with him at Byzantium: The Four Youths Claudius, Hypatius, Paul and Dionysius and the Virgin Paula; The Translation of the Relics of slain Crown Prince Dimitry of Moscow; Hieromartyr Lucian the Bishop, Maximian the Presbyter, Julian the Deacon, Marcellinus and Saturninus at Beauvais in France

Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12

* The Liturgical & Study Week Ahead *

(Trinity Week)

TODAY	10:30 a.m.	The Vespers of Pentecost—The Kneeling Service followed by “ <i>The Taste of the Parish</i> ” in the church hall
Mon, June 4	DAY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT	
9:00 a.m.	St. Metrophanes, First Patriarch of Constantinople	
Divine Liturgy	Epistle: Eph 5:9-19	Gospel: Matt 18:10-20
Tues, June 5	7:00 a.m.	Daily Matins
Sat, June 9	5:00 p.m.	Confessions
	6:30 p.m.	Panihida for Paul, Katherine & Sergei Rudenia (Annual) offered by Nikolai Schijan
	7:00 p.m.	Vespers
Sun, June 10	1ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 8—SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS	
9:00 a.m.	Hieromartyr Timothy, Bishop of Prussa	
Divine Liturgy	Epistle: Heb 11:33-12:1	Gospel: Matt 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30

* What's Up in Our Parish *

Because of the *Kneeling Prayers* and the *Taste of the Parish*, there will be **NO Church School** today. The **LAST CLASS** of the year will be held **next Sunday, June 10**.

The **4th Annual “Taste of the Parish,”** a unique community celebration showcasing the rich heritage and ethnic diversity of our parishioners through great foods and culinary specialties, will be held in the hall after Vespers **TODAY**. This is a fun event and you won't want to miss it!

Choir Rehearsal will be held in the church on **Tuesday, June 5**, at 7 p.m.

Parishioners are welcomed to help in **Holy Bread (Prosphora) Baking** on **Saturday, June 16**, starting at 9 a.m., in the church hall. This bread is made as an offering to God and the church, as it will become the precious Body of Our Lord at each and every Liturgy. Come and be a part of this blessed ministry.

Church School Closing/Graduate Recognition Exercises will be held on **Sunday, June 17**, following Divine Liturgy.

Parish Council will meet in the church hall on **Monday, June 18**, at 7 p.m. Members who are unable to attend should notify Fr. David or Starosta beforehand.

The **17th Annual Run/Walk for the Church** will be held on **Saturday, June 23**; see the letter in this week's bulletin for all the details.

Have questions about the Orthodox Faith? Wish Father David would talk about this or that in a sermon? Here's your chance! On **Sunday, June 24**, Father will hold a **Faith Feedback Session** during Coffee Hour to answer all your queries. Cards are available at the Candle Desk. Please write down your inquiry and simply drop it in the *Faith Feedback Question Box*. Remember that this is not a forum for questions about current parish concerns; rather, it is an opportunity to ask about anything else regarding the Faith: its worship, positions on issues, history, saints and more. Thanks for participating!

Our **Patronal Feast Day Celebration** will be held on **Friday, June 29**. Divine Liturgy with Procession will be served at 9 a.m., followed by a festal meal in the hall. There is a sign-up sheet at the Candle Desk for those who plan to bring something (covered dish, salad, dessert) to the repast. (*Remember that all food should be **MEATLESS** as it is Friday.*) Please make every effort to attend this joyous occasion as we remember the heavenly protectors of our community, SS. Peter & Paul.

The **Senior R Club** is sponsoring an **Atlantic City Bus Trip** on **Thursday, July 19** to the *Showboat Casino & Resort*. The bus will leave from the church's main parking lot on Whitehead Avenue at 9 a.m. sharp! Bring along a friend. Cost is \$30, with \$25 back in slot dollars. Make your reservations early by calling Janice Meade at (732) 257-8671. Don't miss out—join your fellow parishioners for a day of fun!

✧ News That Matters ✧

STEWARDSHIP: TIME & TREASURE Attendance at Liturgy last Sunday was **108**.

MINISTRY DUTIES The Epistle will be read next week by **Gregory Sprogis**. Coffee Hour will be hosted by **Parish Council**. The church will be cleaned by **Team Kelly**.

GENERAL CONFESSION is held on the **first** and **third Saturdays** of the month. (*Refer to **The Liturgical & Study Week Ahead** for any changes.*) Those of you who regularly commune can participate on whichever weekend is more convenient. Note that you are **NOT** required to go twice a month—only once—and if you desire a private confession before then, Father David will be available, as usual, on Saturday afternoons, starting at 5 p.m. Remember that General Confession is **NOT** a replacement for personal Confession; it is used to help you better prepare and profess your sins and shortcomings during those times when you participate privately in the Mystery of Holy Repentance. In the words of Protopresbyter Alexander Schmemmann: ***“General Confession is, first of all, a certain school of repentance, the revealing of the very essence of confession...a way to a common growth in the spirit of repentance.”***

SINCERE THANKS God gives us many blessings and one of them is **Robert Pisuk** who ably “filled in” as choir director last Sunday until **Basil Kozak** arrived. May the Lord bless Bob for his caring heart.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE at www.saintpeterandpaul.org where you can read the parish history, peruse parts of the weekly church bulletin, find a schedule of services and learn about our parish organizations. Stop by and sign the guest book!

HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES are asked to submit their names, along with other pertinent info [name of high school or college from which they are graduating; name of college, if any, they will be attending; and degree(s) earned] to either Father David or Karen Berezniak (732-754-0033); **TODAY** is the deadline! All the graduates will be honored during the *Church School Closing/Graduate Recognition Exercises* on **Sunday, June 17**. Remember: we only know if you tell us! Thanks!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES go out this week to **Joseph Basara** and **Vladislav Kachur**. May they both be blessed with good times, good friends and love for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

THANKS to **Edward Boshko**, **Walter “Blackie” Sudnikovich** and **Craig & Elaine Mazzei** for procuring and decorating both the inside and outside of the church and hall with birch branches for Holy Pentecost today. Their kindness for keeping up this tradition is most appreciated. May God's love and care always be with them.

SUMMERTIME REMINDER Please remember that the parish continues to operate during the summer; don't take a **"vacation"** from church!

2012 PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES As mandated at this year's *Annual Parish Meeting*, a roster of Parish Council Committees is now posted on the bulletin boards in the church vestibule and hall. The individuals listed are available to address any concerns, issues or suggestions you may have regarding parish properties, facilities and ministries—SEEK THEM OUT!

BRING A FRIEND along with you to church. Encourage your relatives to attend services faithfully. It is our Christian duty to help others find Jesus. The Apostle Andrew brought his brother Peter to God...let's follow his example!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following parishioners, family members and friends:

<u>Departed</u>	<u>Sick</u>		<u>Servicemen</u>
Peter Junda	Elaine Ashton	Eva Fedash	Ivan Shidlovsky
Mark Renelt	Irene Boulle	Olga Kozlov	Lisa Beard
Willie Fondren	Edward Romanofsky	Bishop NIKON (Liolin)	Gregory Nosol
Mary Fritz	Walentyna Posluszny	Archpriest Alexander Atty	Patrick Lohr
Irene Marques	Michael Dargento	Ivert (Fred) Kirkirt	Keith Sudder
Michael Miller Sr.	Julia Glazer	Anna Janiszewski	Priest Paul Rivers
Metropolitan CONSTANTINE	Joseph Casale	Myrna Woznica	Fred Bush
Nancy Balon	Donna Casale	Joseph (Jay) Pelleriti	Travis Hartman
Alison Orfanidis	Lasha Giorgi Pozidis	Jean Catherine Brooks	Elizabeth Brent
Stella Prihodko	Dorothy Swenticky	Samuel Garretson	Kyle Abbott
	John Cameron	Joseph Posluszny	Priest Sean Levine
	Katherine Tarzewski	Gilson Costa	Gary Amatrudo Jr.
	Martha Drobnak	Pearl Blower	Steven Moore
	Dorothy Sopchak	Presbytera Florence Cassar	James G. Teller
	Margo Stewart	Ellie Jacobs	
	Adam Huba	Joan Uler	
	Thea Casale	Julio Andres	
	David Hebert	Veramende	
	Robert Smith	Dee	
	Thomas Roche	Florence	
	Theresa Rogozenski	Karen Zimmerman	
	Olga Romanofsky	Fred Haas	
	Alyssa Rosatelli	Beth Van Orden	
	Larry Kimpart	Iwan Jakimtschuk	
	Patricia Cottrell	Andriy Kinash	
	Elaine Schwartz	Marita McDonald	
	Athene Demitry	Michael Myslinski	
	Timothy Magee	Martin Behnke	
	John Centrelo	Olga Smith	
	Nancy Filak	John Holod	
	Charles Csenica	Archpriest Stephen Mack	
	Barbara Parhizgar	Archpriest John	
	Mikola Zakrewsky	Bartholomew	
	Kim Walker	Dorothy Vernak	
	Dennis Silowka	Dr. John B. Smith	
	Alexandre Kurtanidze	Donna Kara	
	Darren Flynn	Nella Mirabile	
	Beth Willisroft	Trey Gerstmyer	
	Malcolm Bradford	Charlene Sofer	
		Brenda Foster	
		Barbara Longo	

Please contact Fr. David or Starosta if you know of someone who should be on this list.

THE NEWLY DEPARTED After a valiant struggle with cancer, the handmaid of God, **Nancy Balon**, fell asleep in the Lord on Memorial Day, May 28. We extend our sincere sympathy to her family and friends on the loss of their loved one. May her memory be eternal—Vechnaya Pamyat!

MEMORY ETERNAL The handmaid of God, **Stella Prihodko**, fell asleep in the Lord earlier this week. *(Funeral arrangements are still pending.)* We offer our condolences to all who knew and loved her. May their faith uphold them in this time of sadness—Vechnaya Pamyat!

GRASS CUTTING That season is upon us again, when we need volunteers to cut the grass at the church, rectory and Seven Acres. The equipment, training (if necessary) and gas will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the church vestibule; you can also contact James Jones at (732) 238-0735. He'll make sure to put everybody on every skill level to work, so let's all pitch in and keep our properties beautiful!

MANY HANKS to the **Men's Club** for funding the publication of the commemorative booklet distributed to all parishioners who attended the *Memorial Day Panihida* last Monday at the cemetery. *(Extra copies are available at the Candle Desk.)* May God bless this organization for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to **John & Helen Pelak, Gregory & Karen Ann Berezniak** and **Joseph & Wendy Collins** who will be celebrating 66, 22 & 11 years of wedded bliss, respectively, this week. May God continue to bless and enrich the love they share with each other for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

BULLETIN DEADLINE All announcements for the Sunday bulletin must be submitted each week by no later than **Thursday**. Get in touch with Father David at the rectory or contact our Bulletin Editor/Starosta, James Kornafel, by phone (732-462-3388), fax (732-845-3515) or E-mail (jimmyk@optonline.net).



*In celebration of Pentecost, there is **NO FASTING** this week. Enjoy yourselves because next Monday, June 11, starts the Apostles (Peter & Paul) Fast, which runs until June 29.*

** Run/Walk for the Church XVII **

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

Get ready...get set...go...for the 17th Annual Run/Walk for the Church to be held on Saturday, June 23. With beautiful weather and everyone enjoying a wonderful time, last year's experience was more fun than I could have planned and this year promises to be the same. I welcome your participation in an event that not only raises funds, but provides the opportunity to socialize with Orthodox brothers and sisters outside of worship services.

Around 9 a.m., faithful from parishes throughout the deanery will gather in front of our hall on Jeffrie Avenue and begin the eight-mile run/five-mile walk throughout the neighborhoods of South River. Water stands and "route marshals" will be located at various legs of the trek to offer both direction and assistance. As in prior years, all the runners and walkers will wear a special T-shirt commemorating the day and after the last person crosses the finish line in front of the church on Whitehead Avenue, everyone will be invited to a celebratory "after party" back in the hall.

There are many ways you can take part in this fundraiser. You can join in as a runner or walker; pledge a certain amount for each mile; give a set donation; offer a contribution towards the purchase of bottled water and provisions for the post run/walk get-together; or just be there to encourage and cheer on the participants. Whatever you can do or give will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me by phone (732-690-7461) or E-mail (hankdziemian@comcast.net).

Thank you for those who have helped with this effort in the past and thanks in advance to those of you who are planning to be a part of this very fun and family-friendly day this year. Lace up those sneakers and I look forward to seeing you on the 23rd!

Sincerely,

Hank Dziemian

Please complete the form below and return it to Hank Dziemian.

_____for the entire run.

_____per mile for a total of _____.

_____ (Your name)

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Glory Forever!