



The Sunday Messenger

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH - WILKES BARRE, PA

Sun, June 28, 2021: The 1st Sunday after Holy Pentecost • Saint for today: The Sunday of All Saints



Hymns for Today's Service

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!

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!"

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!

Epistle Reading - Hebrews 11:33-12:2

who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Gospel Reading - Matt 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30

Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. Then Peter answered and said to Him,

DEAR GUESTS AND FRIENDS: A most sincere and heartfelt welcome to you from our community. According to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive the Holy Sacrament through prayer and fasting. If you have questions please let us know!

“See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?” So Jesus said to them, “Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name’s sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

This Week's Schedule

THIS WEEKEND

SAT, June 26: Alexandria Rubino Baptism @ 11 AM

++ Daughter of Amy (Welgus) & Anthony Rubino ++

SAT, June 26: Vespers @ 5 PM

**SUN, June 27: Hours @ 8:40 AM, Divine Liturgy @ 9 AM,
Coffee Hour**

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THIS WEEK

Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul

**MON, June 28, 6 PM - Vespers (Evening) Divine
Liturgy at Holy Resurrection Cathedral**

***Remember to fast from food/drink beginning after lunch*

WED: Church Open for Private Prayer 11AM-1:30 PM

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NEXT WEEKEND

SAT, July 3: Vespers @ 5 PM

**SUN, July 4: Hours @ 8:40 AM, Divine Liturgy @ 9 AM,
NO Coffee Hour**

Food Festival: Mark your calendars for this year’s Food Festival on July 23 & 24. More info to follow. Volunteers needed to help prepare foods, clean/set-up, and during the Festival. A work schedule will be distributed soon.

Pierogi Project: A pierogi making project is scheduled for July 9 (3PM – 8PM) & July 10 (8AM – 1PM) to support the Food Festival. A volunteer sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. We hope to have enough volunteers to make this project possible. Contact Alexanne (570-474-9785) or Sandy (571-274-5846) with questions or suggestions.

July 11th Orthodox Family Picnic at Knoebels: Sunday, July 11th Orthodox families from around the area will meet after Divine Liturgy to enjoy a day of fun and food at Knoebels Amusement Park. The Fellowship of Orthodox Christians (FOCA) is preparing a meal at 6 PM at Pavilion P1 (Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Sodas & Sides). The cost is \$5 per person. Children under 6 Free. **All are welcome, families both young and old! If you have questions, see Fr. Innocent.**

Birthdays & Anniversaries

June Birthdays: Anna Cardoni (6/2), Rose Kennedy (6/2), Marlene Latzman (6/3), Noelle Flis (6/6), Fr. Innocent Neal (6/7), Doreen Cherkis (6/10), Rebecca Willis (6/12), Christopher Polk (6/12), Melanie Flis (6/13), Symeon Clark (6/17), Eric Zbegner (6/18), Stephen Serafin (6/19), Zoryana Duda (6/20), Aimee Austin (6/20), Amy Rubino Welgus (6/23), Peter Welgus Jr. (6/24), Laura Polk (6/28), Gregory Stankiewicz (6/30), Emily Willis (6/30)
Anniversaries: Eleanor & Ted Sovyrda (6/2), Tom & Joan Austin (6/5), Donna & Jerry Stankiewicz (6/6), David & Deborah Mills (6/16)

This Week: Birthdays: Laura Polk (6/28), Gregory Stankiewicz (6/30), Emily Willis (6/30)

Altar Server Schedule

Sunday, June 27: Vladimir H, Alex H,
Tommy D, Andrew C, Andrew N

Sunday, July 4: All Servers Welcome

PARISH PRAYER LIST Living: Cynthia Dulsky, Theodore & Elenor Sovryda, Nadine Breisch, Rosalie Bagenski, Sonja & Leanne Kay, Josie Bissett, Lisa & Scott Harvey, Daniel & Shannon Bissett, Delores Karas, Antonette Terry, Archpriest Daniel & Matushka Myra Kovalak, Violet Filipi, Catherine, Danny Gobish, Lorraine Pace, Camden Thomas, Peter Holoviak & Family, Marni Bachman & Family, Rose Marie, Helen Gudaitis, Mahaffey Family, George Scott, Evelyn Kosmiski, Joe Sloan, Louis Gianuzzi, Betty Serafin, Matushka Elizabeth
Newly Departed:
