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1st Sunday after Pentecost. - Tone 8 ALL SAINTS.

The last day before the Apostolic Fast

Hieromartyr Timothy, Bishop of Prusa (362). Martyr Alexander and Virgin-martyr Antonina at Constantinople (313). Ven. Theophanes, monk, of Antioch (369), and St. Pansemne, the former harlot of Antioch. St. Bassian, Bishop of Lodi in Lombardy (409). Ven. Silvanus of the Far Caves in Kyiv (14th c.).

Epistle: Hebrews 11:33-12:2 **Gospel:** Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38,19:27-30



Epistle: Hebrews 11:33-12:2 About the Saints

11 ³³ Through faith they conquered kingdoms, administered justice, received promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ put out raging fires, escaped death by the sword, found strength in weakness, became powerful in battle, and routed foreign armies. ³⁵ Women received their dead raised back to life. Other people were brutally tortured, but refused to be ransomed, so that they might gain a better resurrection. ³⁶ Still others endured taunts and floggings, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were stoned to death, sawed in half, and killed with swords. They went around in sheepskins and goatskins. They were needy, oppressed, and mistreated. ³⁸ The world wasn't worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and from caves to holes in the ground.

³⁹ All these people won approval for their faith, but they did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰ since God had planned something better for us, so that they would not be perfected without us.

We Must Look Off to Jesus

12 ²Therefore, having so vast a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, and throwing off everything that hinders us and especially the sin that so easily entangles us, let us keep running with endurance the race set before us, ² fixing our attention on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of the faith, who, in view of the joy set before him, endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the Throne of God.

Gospel: Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38,19:27-30 Acknowledging the Messiah

³² "Therefore, everyone who acknowledges me before people I, too, will acknowledge before my Father in heaven. ³³ But whoever denies me before people I, too, will deny before my Father in heaven."

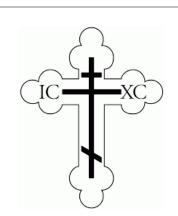
The Cost of Discipleship

³⁷ "The one who loves his father or mother more than me isn't worthy of me, and the one who loves a son or daughter more than me isn't worthy of me. ³⁸ The one who doesn't take up his cross and follow me isn't worthy of me. ³⁹ The one who finds his life will lose it, and the one who loses his life because of me will find it."

Salvation and Reward

²⁷ "Look!" Peter replied. "We have left everything and followed you. So, what will we get?" ²⁸ Jesus told them, "I tell all of you^[ac] with certainty, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne in the renewed creation, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, governing the twelve tribes of Israel. ²⁹ In fact, everyone who has left his homes, brothers, sisters, father, mother, children, or fields because of my name will receive a hundred times as much^[ad] and will inherit eternal life. ³⁰ But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."





Synaxis of All Saints Readings: Epistle: Hebrews 11:33-12:2 **Gospel:** Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38,19:27-30

Troparion — Tone 4

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

Kontakion — Tone 8

The universe offers You the God-bearing martyrs, As the first fruits of creation, O Lord and Creator. Through the Theotokos, and their prayers establish Your Church in peace!



Synaxis of All Saints

The Sunday following Pentecost is dedicated to All Saints, both those who are known to us, and those who are known only to God. There have been saints at all times, and they have come from every corner of the earth. They were Apostles, Martyrs, Prophets, Hierarchs, Monastics, and Righteous, yet all were perfected by the same Holy Spirit.

The Descent of the Holy Spirit makes it possible for us to rise above our fallen state and to attain sainthood, thereby fulfilling God's directive to "be holy, for I am holy" (Lev. 11:44, 1 Peter 1:16, etc.). Therefore, it is fitting to commemorate All Saints on the first Sunday after Pentecost.

How Orthodox Christians Categorize Saints

- 1. **The Apostles**, who were the first ones to spread the message of the Incarnation of the Word of God and of salvation through Christ.
- 2. **The Prophets**, because they predicted and prophesied the coming of the Messiah.
- 3. **The Martyrs**, for sacrificing their lives and fearlessly confessing Jesus Christ as the Son of God and the Savior of mankind.
- 4. **The Fathers and Hierarchs of the Church**, who excelled in explaining and in defending, by word and deed, the Christian faith.
- 5. **The Monastics**, who lived in the desert and dedicated themselves to spiritual exercise (*askesis*), reaching, as far as possible, perfection in Christ.
- 6. **The Just**, those who lived in the world, leading exemplary lives as clergy or laity with their families, becoming examples for imitation in society.

Each and every one among all these saints has his or her own calling and characteristics: they all fought the "good fight for the faith" (1 Tim. 6:12 and 2 Tim. 4:7). Each of them applied in their lives the scriptural virtues of "justice, piety, fidelity, love, fortitude, and gentleness" (1 Tim. 6:11).

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for good health for our following parish family members and others: Fr. Gregory Becker, Fr. Andrew Gall, Fr. Paisius McGrath, Fr. John Nakonachny, Panimatka Mary Ann Nakonachny, Mary Goncy, Nancy Racz, Mykola Prychodczenko, Walter Duzzny, Nancy Tiedeman, James Bobersky, Kay Malys, Marie Pupa, Deborah Harvey, Mary Lapushansky, Stella Woytek, Kathy Duzzny, Mary Ann Owens, Pauline Witkowsky, Dr. Dinah Fedyna, Marianne Carmack, Kenneth, Matthew, Peter, Michelle, Basil, Richard, Marty Woloschak

UPCOMING PARISH AND OTHER EVENTS



Mary Goncy's 101st Birthday Celebration

Father Ivan celebrating Mary Goncy's 101st birthday with son, Donald Goncy at her residence Austinwoods Nursing Center.

On behalf of Mary, we want to thank everyone who sent greetings, messages on Facebook, and visited to wish Mary a very Happy Birthday. '

We were reminded by some of the wellwishers how Mary attended Liturgy every Sunday through her many years, as long as she was able. What a great and joyous story.

SCHEDULE

- 9:30, Sunday, June 23, 2019: DIVINE LITURGY ALL SAINTS
- Monday, June 24, 2019: BEGINNING OF THE APOSTOLIC FAST OF STS. PETER & PAUL
- 9:00 AM, Saturday, June 29, 201: **BINGO MEETING at The Orthodox Center**. All are welcome to attend.
- Sunday, June 30, 2019: **DIVINE LITURGY ALL SAINTS OF UKRANE. PLEASE NOTE:** The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at **THE CEMETERY CHAPEL!!!!**
- Sunday, June 30, 2019: **MEETING OF THE SENIOR UOL** immediately following the Divine Liturgy.
- Tuesday, July 2, 2019, **MEETING OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL**. 7:00 PM at The Orthodox Center
- <u>NEXT PEROGI SALE JULY 12, 2019</u>: Preparation: 9:00 AM Wednesday, July 10; 9:00 AM Thursday July 11, Make Pirohi; 10:00-12:00 Noon, Friday, July 12, Pick-up. August TBA.



The Big One 9 AM – 5 pm - Friday and Saturday, July 19-20, 2019 Sts. Peter & Paul Pavilion, 1025 N. Belle Vista 44509

It's time to clean your house, basement and garage to prepare for our **RUMMAGE SALE.** You may bring your treasures to the Pavilion from 1-3PM on July 17 & 18. Any questions, please contact Alice Dobransky. With your cooperation we'll have a successful sale!

Thank you for your support and your treasures



PATRONAL FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

St. Mary's Sisterhood invites you to celebrate our Parish's Patronal Feast Day of Sts. Peter & Paul on Sunday, July 14, 2019. 9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy Immediately followed by a festive luncheon in The Orthodox Center 1025 N. Belle Vista, Youngstown, Ohio 44509

> May God Grant our Parish Many Years!



We're trying something new at Bingo!

To increase attendance, we're introducing new BINGO GAMES. But we need additional workers to make these changes a success. Anyone who is interested in donating some time on Monday nights, please contact: CHUCK WOLOSCHAK (330) 766-2413



The Apostles *Where they traveled/How they died*

Andrew - Missionary to modern day Georgia/Bulgaria (area adjacent to the Black Sea near Turkey); martyred/crucified in town of Achaia (Greece)

Bartholomew - Missionary to India; martyred/crucified upside down in Armenia (Georgia)

James, Son of Alphaeus - Local missionary in Jerusalem; martyred/stoned in Jerusalem.

James, Son of Zebedee - Local missionary in Judea; martyred/beheaded in Judea

John - Brother of James and son of Zebedee – banished to Patmos; died of old age.



1 Apostles witness His Ascension

Matthew-aka-Levi - Missionary to Parthia (Iran); died of old age.

Simon/Peter - Missionary to Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Betania, Italy, Asia; martyred/crucified upside down in Rome

Philip - Missionary to Phrygia (Turkey); martyred/crucified upside down in Hierapolis (Turkey).

Simon the Zealot - Bishop of Jerusalem after James; died of old age.

Thaddaeus/son of James - Missionary to Edessa and to the surrounding Mesopotamian region (Iraq, Syria, Turkey, Iran); died of old age.

Thomas - missionary to Parthians/Medes/Hyrcanians (Iran), Bactrians (Afghanistan); martyred – speared in 4 different places.

Matthias - Local missionary in Jerusalem; died of old age.

Paul - Missionary to Illyricum (Croatia), Italy, Spain; martyred/beheaded in Rome.

There were 12 Original Apostles + Matthias (replacement to Judas) + Paul = 14 Total Apostles.

Out of 14, 1 was lost forever (Judas), 9 were martyrs who left their local surroundings and were foreign missionaries and church planters. 4 were local missionaries in Jerusalem/Judea.