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Liturgical Schedule

Divine Liturgy
Sunday: 8:30 am
Holyday: 9:00 am

Confessions

One half hour before
the divine liturgy or
by appointment

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According to Scripture, the following were present in the upper room in Jerusalem: Peter, John, James, Andrew, Philip, Thomas, Bartholomew, Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, Simon, Jude (Judas) son of James; also some women (most likely the same women who accompanied Christ at the cross), and Mary the Mother of God; and other disciples.

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!
Слава Иисусу Христу! Слава на вѣки!

PENTECOST WEEK, MY 29TH TO
JUNE 3RD, IS FREE FROM ALL
FASTING!

"If the Holy Spirit is peace of soul, as He is said to be, and as He is in reality, and if anger is disturbance of heart, as it actually is and as it is said to be, then nothing so prevents His presence in us as anger."

+St. John Climacus

Sunday of the Pentecost
Feastal Tone

Menologion

St. Nicetas, the Great-Martyr, was a Goth and a victim of the fury of King Athanaric, ruler of the nations settled about the Danube. He was a disciple of the celebrated Ulphilas (Theophilus). He was burned to death about A.D. 78.

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Fasts & Feasts

May 29 Pentecost Monday: Feast of the Holy Trinity, Memorial Day (USA) Divine Liturgy @ Saint Stephen's.

June 4 All Saints Sunday

June 5-29 The Apostles' Fast (The fast begins with the vespers on Sunday evening and concludes on June 29th)

June 24 Nativity of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John (9 am)

June 29 The Holy Glorious and All-Praised Leaders of the Apostles, Peter & Paul (9 am)

Herminie Summer Kickoff On Main

Saturday June 3rd 12 - 4pm near the Church on Sewickley Ave AND in the Church.

We will have pierogies, haluski, gibanica (sweet cheese strudle in a pan) and baked goods and more TBD.

Call 412-206-1608 with questions.



PENTECOST is a major Feast Day in Catholic and Orthodox churches.

Pentecost may be a short period of time on the liturgical calendar celebrated for the week following the Feast Day. But the Holy Spirit is with us at all times. Our journey forward would be incomplete without putting our trust in the Holy Spirit, who guides us gently and quietly, even in times of difficulty. We should make every effort to be aware of the actions of the Holy Spirit in our lives and always express gratitude for His Presence in the ways we are blessed.

The Liturgical color for Pentecost in Eastern Churches is always green. This is the only time in the entire liturgical calendar this color is used. Green represents life and the predominant emphasis and the Divine power of the Holy Spirit is as the Giver of Life. In Scripture, Jesus Christ speaks of “living water” and “real food” in reference to the Sacraments that are necessary to life eternal in the Kingdom of God.

The Sacraments of Initiation in the Byzantine Catholic Church are Baptism, Chrismation, and Holy Eucharist. Infants and adults being received into Eastern Churches receive all three Sacraments in one ceremony. This was the traditional rite of Initiation in the early Church which Eastern Churches have since retained. On Pentecost Sunday, the faithful appropriately sing a baptismal verse: “All you have been baptized into Christ, have been clothed in Christ.”

The Holy Spirit is the life of the Church and its members. The Holy Spirit is the Giver of gifts that help us as faithful believers grow in grace and in love of God. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are: Fear of the Lord (adoration and reverential respect), Knowledge, Fortitude, Counsel, Piety, Understanding, Wisdom. We receive these gifts when we strive to follow God’s commandments, seek His Will daily, and remain in sanctifying grace.

The action of the Holy Spirit is so powerful. We fail when we take for granted the source of all good and when we fall into the mistaken belief that we are the creators of all of our blessings and our world. Instead, we should remember to call upon and pray to the Holy Spirit to grant us the graces we need not just in our own lives, but in being a “light” and bringing “The Light” to a world of darkness.

“... I remind you to stir into flame the gift of God bestowed when my hands were laid upon you. The Spirit God has given us is no cowardly spirit, but rather one that makes us strong, loving, and wise.” 2 Timothy 1: 6-7

As members of the Body of Christ the mission God has called us to is, as disciples. The mission that began with the apostles and disciples through the Holy Spirit during that first Pentecost did not end. Our mission is to continue the spirit of Pentecost.

The Byzantine Catholic Archeparchy of Pittsburgh and Eparchies of Parma, Passaic and Phoenix have collected more than \$500,000 to help feed and support the homeless whose lives have been torn apart by Russia’s invasion of Ukraine.

The funds are being sent to the Eparchy of Mukachevo, located in Uzhhorod, Ukraine. Our people and churches have responded with the largest collection in the history of our Byzantine Catholic Church,” Archbishop William Skurla said in his 2022 Paschal message.

“We continue to send our support and daily prayers that the suffering will end. We give thanks to all who are helping. And, we pray that the Mother of God will protect everyone from harm.”
The Archeparchy of Pittsburgh has 10 Ukrainian priests serving in its parishes.