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Sunday Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. – Weekdays Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

General Confession 1st Sunday of month

Private Confession every Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. or upon request

Epistle Act 2: 1-11

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

Sunday, June 7, 2020

PENTECOST SUNDAY

PRAYERS FOR THE HEALTH: Please pray for the following: Stephanie Kennedy, Drake Kennedy, Wellington Kennedy, Conrad Kennedy, Pat Federonko, Gloria Wheeler, Doris Sprague, Gregory Harvilla, Judy Wadysz, Barbara Sapick, Paul Sapick, Mildred Cislo, Anna Hagopian, Reader Gary (Paul) Repella, Michael Gaujanian, Marion Kurtyka, Alice Caddy, William Harvey, Daniel Moran, Brian Kurtyka, Ryan Kerrigan, Frances Munaco, and Sonia Kurtyka.

HOSPITALIZED: Sonia Kurtyka was hospitalized this week at St. Mary Hospital, Livonia. She returned home Friday, June 5th, and is recuperating there. Please pray for her improved health.

Please continue to pray for those who are afflicted with the Covid 19 virus, as well as those who put their lives on the line administering to the sick, and also for those who serve our communities – police, emergency personnel, fireman, government officials, and those working to provide necessities for us.

CHURCH SERVICE THIS WEEK:

Tomorrow, Monday, June 8, 2020 – Holy Spirit Day - Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

CHURCH DONATION:

Kerrigan family (in honor of Michael Resetar – 50 years in America) Many Years! \$50.00

MEMORIAL DONATION:

Helen Woytowich & Al Bejczy (in memory of *Julian Woytowich* 15 years May 17, 2020) \$100.00

Pat Dominick (in memory of *Marvin Dominick, Al Telep, and Julian Woytowich*) \$100.00

Carolyn Chambers (in memory of *Ken Chambers* – 1st year June 17th, 2020) 50.00

MEMORY ETERNAL!

SOUL SATURDAY – JUNE 6th – yesterday, Fr. Timothy served a Parastas for Souls Saturday for all departed members of our parish and family and friends.

PARASTAS: - JUNE 6th - Saturday, Fr. Timothy served a Parastas at 11:00 a.m. for the repose soul of *John Vasilco* for his 1st year memorial on June 6, 2020. Offered by Vasilco family. Memory Eternal!

EASTER FLOWERS: There are some Easter Flowers left over from Pascha. If anyone wants to take a plant home to plant in your garden, please do so. They are located over by the Holy Cross and exit sign.

FROM The ORTHODOX WEEKLY BULLETIN . . . Vestal, Cliffwood, New Jersey

“THE DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT”

The icon of the feast of PENTECOST has traditional elements that teach the spiritual structure of the Christian Church. Against the background of a temple, the Apostles are depicted in a circular form, giving the impression of unity.

But if the icon is a representation of the Church, then it must have more than Apostles depicted. And this is the case. Among the twelve are a number who were not of the original Twelve. There is St. Paul and Evangelists Luke and Mark (who hold Gospels). The apostles bear scrolls, for they are essentially teachers of Good News.

The Acts, describing the historic Descent of the Spirit, speaks of the multitude present on that occasion. Ancient icons did, in fact, depict multitudes in the lower central portion of the icon. This has been replaced by the strange symbolic figure of a king. The man is in a dark place, for the world before Christ was lacking faith; he is depicted aged, for the sin of Adam has aged him; the crown signifies sin, which ruled the world; the cloth he holds, with the twelve scrolls, signifies the Twelve Apostles who brought light to the world through their proclamation of the news of Jesus Christ.

Because Pentecost was the baptism of the Church by fire, we see the rays of fire descending upon the gathered group. And so we have, finally, the fulfillment of the revelation of the Holy Trinity: The father as Creator, the Son as Saviour, and now the Holy Spirit, come as Comforter & Sanctifier of the Church.