

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS

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8th Sunday after Pascha
Sunday, June 4th, 2023, Pentecost-Trinity Sunday
Epistle Reading: Acts 2:1-11 and Jn 7:37-52,8:12

Our next service is scheduled for Sunday June 4th, 2023, at 10:00 am (English). Confession will be available on Sunday morning starting at 9:15 AM. It is recommended that members of All Saints attend confession at least once every four (4) months. All parishioners can enter the church during confession.

For those families wanting to have their loved ones' grave sites blessed, please contact Fr. Nicholas at 431-374-1794 or 204-691-5689 or by email at revorestrauliuk@gmail.com to arrange a time.

Mask-wearing is no longer mandatory, and screening is no longer taking place. As COVID is still present, we do however encourage people to wear masks and to take all the necessary precautions to prevent any spread.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Elaine, Nick, Wayne, Sonia, Geri, Tillie, Wally, Steve, Michael, Carl, Lawrence, Liam, Mary, Richard, Chelsey, Janet, Jeffrey, Fr. Myron, Fr. Gene and his family, Lorna, Marilyn, Raymond, Linda., Darlene, Peter, Joan, Dean, Olga, Jennifer Kelsch, Peter, Sylvia, Werner, Mervin, Sonia, Andrew, Claudia, Lawrence, Greg, Dobrodiyka Genya (Jeannette) Curt Denysiuk, Glen & Debbie Evans; Nettie Pretula, Richard & Mary Drewniak, Metropolitan Yuriy, Rev. Fr. Alexander Harkaviy, Gail.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dobrodiyka Genya (Jeannette) Rauliuk who is battling cancer. We pray that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will grant her and Fr. Nicholas the strength and courage they need at this time.

If you would like someone to be mentioned in prayer, submit their names by email, allsaintsuoc@mymts.net, or inform one of the church elders.

The care and maintenance of our property continue, so if you're unable to attend church, please continue to support us with your offerings. For your convenience, All Saints also accepts Interac E-transfers for donations in addition to cheques or cash. Please submit e-transfers to allsaintsuoc@mymts.net.

Sunday School: Under the direction of Anya Haraschuk and assisted by Demi Kuzyk Bernier, All Saints is conducting Sunday School classes for the Parish's children. After the liturgy, a light brunch is served for all. For more information, please contact Anya Haraschuk at fedyaz@yahoo.ca or Demi Kuzyk at demikb@shaw.ca.

Let's Celebrate: If you or your family is celebrating a major life event such as a birth, birthday, anniversary, retirement, etc., please notify Emil via email at ekowal3@shaw.ca so a note of congratulations can be included in our bulletin. We look forward to sharing in your joy.

Support for Abby "Festival Of Banners": Abby one of our Sunday school students is asking for your support and vote in banner competition. Please click on following link and type in Abbygayle and her poster will come and then press on the star under her poster and that is how you vote. <https://transconabiz.ca/community-programs/festival-of-banners/2023-festival-of-banners-voting/>

Returning to Church After Covid: With Covid now being better tolerated with far fewer severe outcomes, we are eager to get back to where we were prior to the pandemic. Live streaming of our Church's Divine Liturgy Services was important as we tried to maintain contact with our parishioners during the pandemic. While this allowed us to take in Divine Liturgy Services, as Orthodox Christians, live streaming is not a substitute for the Holy Sacraments of Confession and Communion. We are encouraging all of you to come to church to celebrate our faith in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To those unable to make the trip on their own, we would be pleased to provide you with transport. Simply reach out to a parishioner that you know to arrange a ride. We so look forward to seeing you!

Summer Employment Opportunity: Camp Veselka has an opportunity summer employment for (2) two University students for (4) months this summer. These are jobs in lawn cutting and maintenance, cleanup and general maintenance. You will be provided a place to stay during the week but cooking is your own concern although the Mess Hall facilities will be available to you. Contact Bill Duschak 204-918-5926 or Ian McCarron 204-223-5595.

Coming Events:

Important event-

Metropolitan Ilarion will visit All Saints Sunday, June 11th, with service starting at 9:30 AM with his arrival. Reception to follow including the presentation of certificates of appreciation (Hromata) to deserving parishioners. There will not be Confession that Sunday. Please join us in greeting Metropolitan Ilarion to our lovely community.

All Saints will have Divine Liturgy services in July and August. We are currently finalizing the schedule and once its finished it will be put in the next bulletin and on our website.

We are also pleased to announce the following:

- Fall Supper and Dance fund raiser on November 4, 2023. Music by "High Profile Dance Band".
- Malanka on January 13, 2024. Music by "Dennis Nykoliation Band".

We need your support to make these fund-raising events successful. Please circle your calendars now and let your family and friends know about it. For additional information please contact Emil at 204-488-2200.

DO YOU HAVE AN ITEM FOR OUR BULLETIN? Please contact us via email at allsaintsuoc@mymts.net.

CHECK IT OUT! All Saints website has loads of information waiting for you, at your fingertips! The weekly bulletins are also posted there as well. Have a look and spread the news! The "NEWS" section can be used for announcements or news items that we want to share publicly. You can like our page on:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsuoc/>
and follow us on Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/allsaintsuoc/>
The address for the website is <https://www.allsaintsuoc.ca/>.

Our 2023 Parish Council & Support Volunteers:

President - Len Matiowsky 613-985-9168
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Members at large - Gary & Bonnie Persowich 204-257-7413
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Serving Parish Priest

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For those wishing to follow the Divine Liturgy live stream, here are some websites to connect to:

Central Eparchy:

*Live stream from Ukrainian Orthodox Church of All Saints, Winnipeg, MB @ 10:00 am. Link: <https://www.facebook.com/allsaintsuoc/live>

*Live stream from Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Metropolitan Cathedral, Winnipeg, MB @ 6:30 am (beginning with matins prior to Liturgy) hosted on the Cathedral's Facebook page. Link: <https://www.facebook.com/HTUOMC/>

*Live stream from Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral, Saskatoon, SK @ 10:00 am hosted on the Cathedral's Facebook page. Link: <https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityCathedralSaskatoon/>

Eastern Eparchy:

Livestream from St. Volodymyr Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral, Toronto, ON @ 10:00 am EDT hosted on the Cathedral's YouTube channel. Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2t2F_VFIUSg

Western Eparchy:

Livestream from St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral, Edmonton, AB @ 8:50 am MDT hosted on the Cathedral's Facebook page. Link: <https://www.facebook.com/UOCSJB/>

Today's commemorated feasts and saints

8th SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 7. Holy Pentecost: Feast of the Holy Trinity. St. Metrophanes, first Patriarch of Constantinople (325-326). Righteous Martha and Mary, the sisters of Lazarus (1st c.). Ven. Methodius "Peshnosha", disciple of Ven. Sergius of Rádonezh (1392). Martyrs Frontasius, Severinus, Severian, and Silanus, of Gaul (1st c.). Martyr Concordius of Spoleto (ca. 175). Hieromartyr Astius, Bishop of Dyrrachium in Macedonia (ca. 110). Venerable Father Zosima the Bishop of Babylon (6th c.).

Sunday of Holy Pentecost



Introduction

The Feast of Holy Pentecost is celebrated each year on the fiftieth day after the Great and Holy Feast of Pascha (Easter) and ten days after the Feast of the Ascension of Christ. The Feast is always celebrated on a Sunday.

The Feast commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles on the day of Pentecost, a feast of the Jewish tradition. It also celebrates the establishment of the Church through the preaching of the Apostles and the baptism of the thousands who on that day believed in the Gospel message of salvation through Jesus Christ. The Feast is also seen as the culmination of the revelation of the Holy Trinity.

Historical Background



The story of Pentecost is found in the book of The Acts of the Apostles. In Chapter two we are told that the Apostles of our Lord were gathered together in one place. Suddenly, a sound came from heaven like a rushing wind, filling the entire house where they were sitting. Then, tongues of fire appeared, and one sat upon each one of Apostles. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as directed by the Spirit (Acts 2:1-4).

This miraculous event occurred on the Jewish Feast of Pentecost, celebrated by the Jews on the fiftieth day after the Passover as the culmination of the Feast of Weeks (Exodus 34:22; Deuteronomy 16:10). The Feast of Weeks began on the third day after the Passover with the presentation of the first harvest sheaves to God, and it concluded on Pentecost with the offering of two loaves of unleavened bread, representing the first products of the harvest (Leviticus 23:17-20; Deuteronomy 16:9-10).

Since the Jewish Feast of Pentecost was a great pilgrimage feast, many people from throughout the Roman Empire were gathered in Jerusalem on this day. When the people in Jerusalem heard the sound, they came together and heard their own languages being spoken by the Apostles (Acts 2:5-6). The people were amazed, knowing that some of those speaking were Galileans, and not men who would normally speak many different languages. They wondered what this meant, and some even thought the Apostles were drunk (Acts 2:7-13).

Peter, hearing these remarks, stood up and addressed the crowd. He preached to the people regarding the Old Testament prophecies about the coming of the Holy Spirit. He spoke about Jesus Christ and His death and glorious Resurrection. Great conviction fell upon the people, and they asked the Apostles, "What shall we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38-39).

The Bible records that on that day about three thousand were baptized. Following, the book of Acts states that the newly baptized continued daily to hear the teaching of the Apostles, as the early Christians met together for fellowship, the breaking of bread, and for prayer. Many wonderful signs and miracles were done through the Apostles, and the Lord added to the Church daily those who were being saved (Acts 2:42-47).

Icon of the Feast

The icon of the Feast of Pentecost is known as "The Descent of the Holy Spirit". It is an icon of bold colors of red and gold signifying that this is a great event. The movement of the icon is from the top to the bottom. At the top of the icon is a semicircle with rays coming from it. The rays are pointing toward the Apostles, and the tongues of fire are seen descending upon each one of them signifying the descent of the Holy Spirit.

The building in the background of the icon represents the upper room where the Disciples of Christ gathered after the Ascension. The Apostles are shown seated in a semicircle which shows the unity of the Church. Included in the group of the Apostles is Saint Paul, who, though not present with the others on the day of Pentecost, became an Apostle of the Church and the greatest missionary. Also included are the four Evangelists, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, holding books of the Gospel, while the other Apostles are holding scrolls that represent the teaching authority given to them by Christ.

In the center of the icon below the Apostles, a royal figure is seen against a dark background. This is a symbolic figure, Cosmos, representing the people of the world living in darkness and sin, and involved in pagan worship. However, the figure carries in his hands a cloth containing scrolls which represent the teaching of the Apostles. The tradition of the Church holds that the Apostles carried the message of the Gospel to all parts of the world.

In the icon of Pentecost we see the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit, sent down upon the Apostles who will teach the nations and baptize them in the name of the Holy Trinity. Here we see that the Church is brought together and sustained in unity through the presence and work of the Holy Spirit, that the Spirit guides the Church in the missionary

endeavor throughout the world, and that the Spirit nurtures the Body of Christ, the Church, in truth and love.

Orthodox Christian Celebration of the Feast of Pentecost

This great Feast of the Church is celebrated with the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom on the Sunday that is the fiftieth day after the celebration of Pascha. The Liturgy is conducted on the day of the Feast, and is preceded the evening before by a Great Vespers service and on the morning of the Feast by the Matins service. On the day of the Feast a Vespers service is conducted that includes the kneeling prayers. These prayers mark the beginning of the practice of kneeling during the Liturgy at the time when the holy gifts of bread and wine are consecrated as the body and blood of Christ. The practice of kneeling has been suspended during the Paschal season. On the Monday following the Feast, the Divine Liturgy is conducted in commemoration of the All-holy and Life-creating and All-powerful Spirit, Who is God, and One of the Trinity, and of one honor and one essence and one glory with the Father and the Son (From the Synaxarion of the Feast).

*** *Слава Навіки! Slava Na Veeki! Glory Forever!* ***

