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MAY 31, 2026

**EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PASCHA
HOLY PENTECOST**

EPISTLE: Acts 2:1-11

When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them



utterance. And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God."

GOSPEL: John 7:37-52, 8:12

In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers

of living water.” But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. Therefore, many from the crowd, when they heard this saying, said, “Truly this is the Prophet.” Others said, “This is the Christ.” But some said, “Will the Christ come out of Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the seed of David and from the town of Bethlehem, where David was?” So, there was a division among the people because of Him. Now some of them wanted to take Him, but no one laid hands on Him. Then the officers came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, “Why have you not brought Him?” The officers answered, “No man ever spoke like this Man!” Then the Pharisees answered them, “Are you also deceived? Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed in Him? But this crowd that does not know the law is accursed.” Nikodemos (he who came to Jesus by night, being one of them) said to them, “Does our law judge a man before it hears him and knows what he is doing?” They answered and said to him, “Are you also from Galilee? Search and look, for no prophet has arisen out of Galilee.” Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, “I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.”



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

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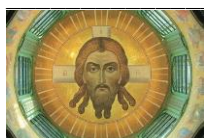
Parishioners & Family: Jim Kovach / Bryan Gibson / Tom Sitzler / Valerie Schutt / Hayden Issler / Roger Pinta Jr. / Greg Twarek / Amber Twarek / Richard Williams / Christine Twarek / Tony Monastra / Alvin Foland / Delaine Ward (Ron Royhab’s sister) / Danielle and her unborn baby / Nikki and her unborn baby / Kristen Cassell / Laura DeKemper / Tom Hileman / Cliff & Kathy Ruggles / Sandra / Renee Haynal / Sharon Shaheen (Patti Owen’s sister) / Heidi Golob / Ron & Bobbie Royhab / Rodney Clevenger / Jennifer Heffernan / Pam / Jim Twarek / Ed Garrity / Patti Owens / Barbara Wroblewski / Michal Tomáš / Helena Tomášová / Ruth Sheller / Carol / David Martin / Fred Soski / Irene Vangeloff / Sonja Rose / James Bargdill / Carole Conaway/ Gary Conaway / Sharon Dietrich / Michael Glovinsky / Shirley Gresh / Betty Kovach / Child Stella Miller / William Pipenur / Helen Jean Rofkar / George Royhab / Marianne Royhab / Kathy Jacob / the child Bodhi Cassell / Gleice, Sophie & Chloe / Carol / Nora.

Other Requests: Peggy / Becky / Ella / Tom Virostek / Bob Stephenson / Jim Rinaldo / Roy / Greg / Patty Wandover / Russ M. / Suzeann / Laura Engler / Robin (Niece of Kathy Ruggles) / Catechumen Sessely / Catechumen Daniel / Catechumen Adam / Catechumen Joshua / Catechumen Stephanie / Catechumen Max / Catechumen Michael / Catechumen Sharon / Steve Rohweder / Nicole Williams / John Couture / Ann Turinsky / Marcia / Catechumen Blake Shoemaker / Linkoln Paull / Matushka Melania / Sharyn Osborne / Amy / Bill Byrnes / Susanne / Charles Schlett / Kathy Debevits / Anthony / Archpriest Ján Čižmár / Archpriest David Lis / Archpriest Emilian Hutnyan / Archpriest John Adamcio / Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan / Donald Gresh / Mark Ludvik / Robert Piznar / William / Rick Rowe / Chris.

Military: Craig Cassell / Jake Ellithorpe / Jordon Fulton / Justin Issler / Tikhon / Nicholas / & All Military

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

MON. June 1	Postfeast of Pentecost — Day of the Holy Spirit; Eph 5:9-19, Mt 18:10-20
TUE. June 2	Postfeast of Pentecost — 3rd Day of the Trinity; Rom 1:1-7, 13-17, Mt 4:25-5:13
WED. June 3	Postfeast of Pentecost, Martyr Lucillian; Rom 1:18-27, Mt 5:20-26
THU. June 4	Postfeast of Pentecost, Saint Metrophanes; Rom 1:28-2:9, Mt 5:27-32
FRI. June 5	Postfeast of Pentecost, Hieromartyr Dorotheus; Rom 2:14-29, Mt 5:33-41
SAT. June 6	Leavetaking of Pentecost, Venerable Bessarion; Rom 1:7-12, Mt 5:42-48
4:00 PM	VESPERS
SUN. June 7	1ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, ALL SAINTS, Tone 8
9:10 AM	HOURS
9:30 AM	DIVINE LITURGY Followed by Coffee Hour



JUNE REPOSED

Mike Mazur (1923) No date provided; Anna Mazur (1923) No date provided; **4-** Alex Sennich (1994); **4-** Victoria Guzy (1965); **6-** Matthew Gould (2020); **8-** Mary Hunt (2003); **9-** Cristina Rindfleisch (2006); **9-** Charles Hagmaier (2018); **16-** Verona Pich (2010); **17-** Archimandrite Luke Sirkun (1956) Former Pastor; **17-** Mitered Archpriest John Gratson (1965) Former Pastor; **20-** Jean Frances Glovinsky (2016); **20-** Dan Karens Cousin 2019; **21-** Mary Elchisco Migala (1983); **22-** Archpriest Kyrill Hartman (2010) Former Pastor; **23-** Matushka Paula Souček (2024); **23-** Ruth Benya (1995); **26-** George Millie (1974); **27-** Diane Tryon- (2024); **27-** Anna Ignatenko- (1969); **29-** Stephen Millie (1988)



VIGILS FOR May 24

Laura Kovach 3 For health and/or healing of Jim, Bob C., Paul W., Robin L., Margi & Joe, Heidi & Wayne G., Lindsay & Janet, Jerry Z., Patti O., Deb F., Tony M., Russ M, Burt K., Bobbie & Ron R., Peggy S., Brenda T., Betty K., Margaret M., Mark M., Dana M., Bodi C.
In loving memory of Carol Davis
Special intentions

Dennis Lapso 3 For the blessed repose of Annette Lapso, For Emily and her unborn child, For Matt health & well being

Sandy Martin 1 Special Intentions

Natalie Twarek 8 Health and recovery of Mike O'toole, For the health of Nikki and unborn baby, For the health of Fr Peter & Matushka Michelle, For the health of Fr John & Matushka Melania, Health and recovery of Greg, Amber, Dina, Claire & Laura Arnold, For the health and recovery of Tom, Mary, Rodney & Carol, Ken, Bob, Richard, Patty, Patti, Laura, Kathy & Cliff, Irene, Ron & Bobbie, Betty, Kayla, Heidi, Wayne, Peggy & Becky, Marcia, Health and healing for Father's parents Michal & Helena and Matushka's mom Barbara & Walter, For the health of Nick & family, Mimi, Elaine, Christine, Jen, Father David, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Sonya, Margi & Joe, MaryAnn & Bob, Bodhi, Stella, Jake, Pat

FAST FREE WEEK

PLEASE NOTE: The entire week after Pentecost is Fast Free! You don't have to fast on Wednesday and Friday!



READERS LIST

Sunday May 31 – Tim
Sunday June 7 – Joe



JUNE CANDLE SPONSORS

Altar Candles: Fr. Peter and Mat. Michelle, For Health and God's Blessings for Barbara Wroblewski, and Michal & Helena Tomáš (\$50); **Chandelier:** Available (\$50); **Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** Available (\$25); **Candles at the Cross:** Laura Kovach, Birthday blessings to Stephanie and in memory of father-in-law John Kovach (\$20); **Candles at St. Tikhon Icon:** Available (\$20)



ATTENDANCE

05/20 Vespers, 7 attending; **05/21** Divine Liturgy (Ascension), 14 attending (1 guest); **05/23** Vespers, 10 attending; **05/24** Divine Liturgy (Ascension), 38 attending (16 guests); **05/30** Divine Liturgy (Memorial Saturday), 12 attending (1 guest)



JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

2 – Jake Muscaro; **3** – Fr. John & Mat. Melania Adamcio Anniversary *; **19** – Ryan Stamp; **21** – Mike & Sharon Cole Anniversary; **24** – Dan & Sessely Maciejewski Anniversary; **25** – Fr. Peter Tomas; **26** – Nikolas Davenport; **26** – Jim & Laura Kovach Anniversary (50); **27** – Sharon Cole; **28** – Max Bundren



SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Tithe	\$ 515.00
Donations	\$ 187.00
Candles	\$ 103.00
Vigils	\$ 70.00
Building Restoration	\$ 720.00
Total:	\$1,595.00

May the Lord reward you for your financial and spiritual support!



CHARITY OF THE MONTH

“St. Tikhon Seminary” is the charity we donate to for the month of June.



CONGRATULATIONS!

We are very happy to welcome in our parish family a newly born baby girl **ROWAN CHRISTINE PAULL**, who was born at 12:21pm on **Thursday, May 28th** to Danielle and Josh Paull. The baby and her mother are both doing well. We congratulate our new parents and offer our prayers for the wellbeing of Christine. May she grow in peace and the joy of her parents!

UP-COMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH – MARK YOUR CALENDAR



- June 1st** Baking Day – 8:00 AM (*Monday*)
- June 2nd** Baking Day – 8:00 AM (*Tuesday*)
- June 4th** Annual Pigrimage and Lake Erie cruise to the Middle Bass Island 10:45 AM (*Thursday*)
- June 8th** Apostles' Fast begins (*Monday*)
- June 13th** Market Day 8:00 AM (*Saturday*)
- June 29th** Ss. Peter & Paul – the leaders of the Holy Apostles, Div. Liturgy 9:30 (*Monday*)



MARKET DAY!

Our next Market Day will take place on Saturday, **June 13th** starting with set up at **8:00 AM**. We will have perohi, halupki, kielbasa and kraut, spanakopita, and a large variety of baked goods. Your help is needed and greatly appreciated!



COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR LIST

May 31 - Sandy
June 7 - Natalia
June 14 - Valerie

Please sign up to host coffee hour. Signup sheet is located in the Social Hall



CLEANING SCHEDULE

June 1, Roddie & David
June 8, Tina
June 15, Natalie
June 22, Tim



ANNUAL VISIT TO MIDDLE BASS ISLAND

Our Annual Pigrimage and Annual Lake Erie cruise to the Middle Bass Island will take place on Thursday, **June 4th at 12:30 pm**. This fare and the feast are FREE of charge to any participant and the Ferry sails from Catawba at **10:45 AM**. Roger will meet us there. Please text or call Debby **(216) 676-9531** or Roger **(419) 285-5200** if you plan to attend, so they can make sure they have enough ferry tickets and enough food for everyone.



BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

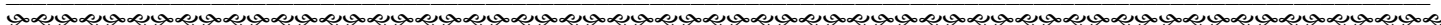
You are invited to participate in the Annual Baby Bottle Campaign sponsored by Ottawa County Pregnancy Services. Please take a Baby bottle which you will find in the vestibule and fill it with loose change, cash or check made out to Ottawa County Pregnancy. Please return the bottle on or before Father's Day (June 21st).

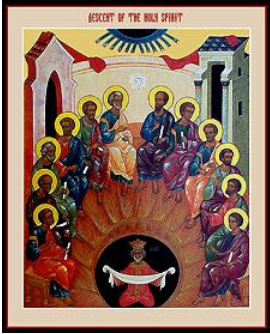
Fish & Chips



FISH FRY AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Lake Erie perch, cod, shrimp and chicken tender dinners are back for the summer at St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church on **Friday, June 12, Friday, July 10 and Friday, August 14** from **4 - 7 p.m.** Proceeds benefit St. Mary Marblehead Building Fund. For questions, contact **Susan Gallagher at 419-626-0375**.





Holy Pentecost

Commemorated on May 31

In the Church's annual liturgical cycle, Pentecost is "the last and great day." It is the celebration by the Church of the coming of the Holy Spirit as the end—the achievement and fulfillment—of the entire history of salvation. For the same reason, however, it is also the celebration of the beginning: it is the "birthday" of the Church as the presence among us of the Holy Spirit, of the new life in Christ, of grace, knowledge, adoption to God and holiness.

This double meaning and double joy is revealed to us, first of all, in the very name of the feast. Pentecost in Greek means fifty, and in the sacred biblical symbolism of numbers, the number fifty symbolizes both the fulness of time and that which is beyond time: the Kingdom of God itself. It symbolizes the fulness of time by its first component: 49, which is the fulness of seven (7 x 7): the number of time. And, it symbolizes that which is beyond time by its second component: 49 + 1, this one being the new day, the "day without evening" of God's eternal Kingdom. With the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Christ's disciples, the time of salvation, the Divine work of redemption has been completed, the fulness revealed, all gifts bestowed: it belongs to us now to "appropriate" these gifts, to be that which we have become in Christ: participants and citizens of His Kingdom.

THE VIGIL OF PENTECOST

The all-night Vigil service begins with a solemn invitation:
"Let us celebrate Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit,
The appointed day of promise, and the fulfillment of hope,
The mystery which is as great as it is precious."

In the coming of the Spirit, the very essence of the Church is revealed:
"The Holy Spirit provides all,
Overflows with prophecy, fulfills the priesthood,
Has taught wisdom to illiterates, has revealed fishermen as theologians,
He brings together the whole council of the Church."

In the three readings of the Old Testament (Numbers 11:16-17, 24-29; Joel 2:23-32; Ezekiel 36:24-28) we hear the prophecies concerning the Holy Spirit. We are taught that the entire history of mankind was directed towards the day on which God "would pour out His Spirit upon all flesh." This day has come! All hope, all promises, all expectations have been fulfilled. At the end of the Aposticha hymns, for the first time since Easter, we sing the hymn: "O Heavenly King, the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth...", the one with which we inaugurate all our services, all prayers, which is, as it were, the life-breath of the Church, and whose coming to us, whose "descent" upon us in this festal Vigil, is indeed the very experience of the Holy Spirit "coming and abiding in us."

Having reached its climax, the Vigil continues as an explosion of joy and light for "verily the light of the Comforter has come and illumined the world." In the Gospel reading (John 20:19-23) the feast is interpreted to us as the feast of the Church, of her divine nature, power and authority. The Lord sends His disciples into the world, as He Himself was sent by His Father. Later, in the antiphons of the Liturgy, we proclaim the universality of the apostles' preaching, the cosmical significance of the feast, the sanctification of the whole world, the true manifestation of God's Kingdom.

THE VESPERS OF PENTECOST

The liturgical peculiarity of Pentecost is a very special Vespers of the day itself. Usually this service follows immediately the Divine Liturgy, is "added" to it as its own fulfillment. The service begins as a solemn "summing up" of the entire celebration, as its liturgical synthesis. We hold flowers in our hands symbolizing the joy of the eternal spring, inaugurated by the coming of the Holy Spirit. After the festal

Entrance, this joy reaches its climax in the singing of the Great Prokeimenon:
“Who is so great a God as our God?”

Then, having reached this climax, we are invited to kneel. This is our first kneeling since Easter. It signifies that after these fifty days of Paschal joy and fulness, of experiencing the Kingdom of God, the Church now is about to begin her pilgrimage through time and history. It is evening again, and the night approaches, during which temptations and failures await us, when, more than anything else, we need Divine help, that presence and power of the Holy Spirit, who has already revealed to us the joyful End, who now will help us in our effort towards fulfillment and salvation.

All this is revealed in the three prayers which the celebrant reads now as we all kneel and listen to him. In the first prayer, we bring to God our repentance, our increased appeal for forgiveness of sins, the first condition for entering into the Kingdom of God.

In the second prayer, we ask the Holy Spirit to help us, to teach us to pray and to follow the true path in the dark and difficult night of our earthly existence. Finally, in the third prayer, we remember all those who have achieved their earthly journey, but who are united with us in the eternal God of Love. The joy of Easter has been completed and we again have to wait for the dawn of the Eternal Day. Yet, knowing our weakness, humbling ourselves by kneeling, we also know the joy and the power of the Holy Spirit who has come. We know that God is with us, that in Him is our victory.

Thus is completed the feast of Pentecost and we enter “the ordinary time” of the year. Yet, every Sunday now will be called “after Pentecost”—and this means that it is from the power and light of these fifty days that we shall receive our own power, the Divine help in our daily struggle. At Pentecost we decorate our churches with flowers and green branches—for the Church “never grows old, but is always young.” It is an evergreen, ever-living Tree of grace and life, of joy and comfort. For the Holy Spirit—“the Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life—comes and abides in us, and cleanses us from all impurity,” and fills our life with meaning, love, faith and hope.

Father Alexander Schmemmann (1974)



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Sunday, 31 May 2026
Holy Pentecost
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ARCHPASTORAL GREETINGS OF THE MOST REVEREND DANIEL
ARCHBISHOP OF CHICAGO AND THE MIDWEST
ON THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

**Beloved Very Reverend and Reverend Clergy, Monastics, and Faithful
of the God-protected Diocese of Chicago and the Midwest:**

And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. Acts 2:2-3

I greet you with joy as we celebrate the great feast of Holy Pentecost. Recalling the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the new-born Church, we give thanks to God for granting the seven-fold gifts of wisdom, understanding, counsel, courage, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord to the Holy Apostles gathered in Jerusalem and to the fullness of the Church throughout the ages. May the same Holy Spirit renew our hearts and guide our diocesan family to an always-increasing and ever-deepening life in Christ.

I also extend my heartfelt congratulations to all our diocesan graduates at the various stages of their education: your dedication, perseverance in your studies, and academic accomplishments are a blessing to your families, your parish communities and to our entire Diocese. May the Lord continue to guide your path, granting you strong faith, wisdom, and purpose in every new endeavor. May you always be encouraged to use your gifts and talents to serve Christ and His Church.

As summer begins, I urge everyone to enjoy this blessed season with gratitude and joy. May your summer activities – family gatherings, travel and vacations, camps, barbecues and picnics, parish events, and times of rest and relaxation – be filled with safety, fellowship, and opportunities to grow closer to Christ. Let us continue to remain active in prayer, worship, and acts of kindness wherever we may be.

May the grace of the Holy Spirit strengthen and protect you always.

With love in the Lord,

DANIEL
Archbishop of Chicago and the Midwest



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JUNE 2026						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
May 31 PENTECOST 9:10am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy with kneeling prayers followed by coffee hour/fellowship	1 Fast free	2 Fast free	3 Fast free	4 Fast free	5 Fast free	6 4:00pm Great Vespers Fast free
7 All Saints 9:10am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship	8 Apostles' Fast Begins Fast	9 Fast	10 Fast	11 Fast	12 Fast	13 Market Day 4:00pm Great Vespers Fast: wine & oil
14 9:10am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship Fast: wine & oil	15 Fast	16 Fast	17 Fast	18 Fast	19 Fast	20 4:00pm Great Vespers Fast: wine & oil
21 9:10am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship Fast: wine & oil	22 Fast	23 Fast	24 Nativity of the Baptist Fast: fish, wine, & oil	25 Fast	26 Fast	27 Market Day 4:00pm Great Vespers Fast: wine & oil
28 9:10am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy followed by coffee hour/fellowship Fast: wine & oil	29 Ss. Peter & Paul 9:10am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy	30 Fast	Jul 1 Fast	Jul 2 Fast	Jul 3 Fast	Jul 4 4:00pm Great Vespers

See Sunday Bulletin for changes.