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

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11

June 4 2023, 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha
Holy Pentecost, Feast of the Holy Trinity

## **Schedule of Services**

<u>Sunday, June 4</u>: (No Matins). Fr. John Black will serve <u>Pentecost Divine Liturgy: 9:30 a.m.</u> with Abbreviated Vespers & Kneeling prayers. <u>Parastas (9th Day) for Irene Leschak</u> offered by the family. <u>NO Parastas at St. Michael's Cemetery.</u>

**Note:** June 4 to 10 is a **Fast-Free Week** 

<u>Sunday, June 11</u>: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, All Saints: A specific schedule is forthcoming in next week's bulletin. **Note: Monday, June 12** is the beginning of the Apostles' (Sts. Peter & Paul) Fast

<u>Sunday</u>, <u>June 18</u>: Fathers Day, 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, All Saints of America: A specific schedule is forthcoming in next week's bulletin.

We welcome Fr. John Black to our Parish! More information will be provided soon.

St. Michael's Orthodox Church offers condolences to the members of the **Leschak and Ringa family** on the falling asleep in Christ of **Irene Leschak**. Вечная Память! Memory Eternal!

We thank **Fr. John Kowalczyk** for coming to serve the Panakhida and Funeral services for Irene Leschak on May 31 and June 1. May God grant him Many Years!

We thank Fr. Mikel Hill for serving Divine Liturgy on May 28. May God grant him Many Years!

<u>Donations for Vigil Lights</u> are being accepted for the Vigil Lights in the Altar and on the Relics Table. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

In order to meet our growing financial obligations, we are asking all our parishioners, when not in Church to send in their weekly offering envelopes. We thank you in advance!

<u>Coffee Hour Hostesses</u>: June 4: Roxanne Neutts and Ruth Lasichak; June 11: Charette Radionoff and Vicky Kravetsky; June 18: Maryann Dubee and Susan Schlasta; June 25: Millie Telep and Dorothy Allen.

<u>Please Note:</u> The water at St. Michael's Cemetery has been turned **ON**, on the right side (facing the entrance). We thank John Jubinsky for taking care of this. The water on the other side of the Cemetery is still shut off until repair is completed. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

Please remember in your prayers: John Drutarosky, who is a patient at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407. Peter Senio, who is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave., Scranton, Pa. Nicholas Mattise, who is a guest at the Personal Care at Allied Terrace, 100 Terrace Ln., Scranton, Pa. Dr. Joseph Danyo, Hershey Medical Center (ICU), 500 University Dr., Hershey, Pa. 17033.

<u>Vision Statement:</u> "We seek to rededicate ourselves to the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Catholic and Apostolic Church. We are here to provide a loving and caring community, by participating in the worship services, so we may reach-out to those who are lost and witness the love of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

- Adopted on October 17, 2022.

Holy Pentecost: 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 fullness of time and that which is beyond time: the Kingdom of God itself. With the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Christ's disciples, the time of salvation, the Divine work of redemption, has been completed, the fullness 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.

"Glory to God for all things"