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& 360 virtual tour and 4-part welcome**

Gospel: John 17:1-13

June 5, 2022, Sunday of the first Ecumenical Council.

Epistle: Acts 20:16-18,28-36

Glory Be to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

Sunday, June 5, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Baptism of Elliana Susan Bartschi 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 11, Great Vespers 4:00 p.m. (Eve of Pentecost) Blessing of Wheat, Wine & Oil.

Sunday, June 12, Pentecost Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. & Abbreviated Vespers & Kneeling prayers
Parastas 1:00 p.m. St. Michael's Church Cemetery & Blessing of Graves

Organizational Parish Festival Meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday, June 9th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Center. Please mark this important date on your calendar and make every effort to attend!

Pentecost Parastas will be held at our St. Michael's Church Cemetery on Sunday, June 12 at 1:00 p.m. (Weather Permitting) Please submit the names of your departed loved ones to be commemorated at the Divine Liturgy on Pentecost and Parastas. to Fr. John no later than Saturday, June 11th. **Please use the special form enclosed with this bulletin.**

Father's Day will be held on Sunday, June 19. Please submit the names of your fathers to be remembered at the Divine Liturgy by Saturday, June 18. May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to grant health and salvation to the living fathers of our parish community and grant eternal rest to the departed fathers and make their memory to be eternal!

Church donation of \$100.00 given by an anonymous friend of Kay Fedirko. May her memory be eternal! **Church offering of \$100.00** given in loving memory of Joseph Piwowarski Sr. by an anonymous donor. May his memory be eternal!

Please return the mandatory raffle tickets, which were most-recently sent out to you and send them back in a timely basis. **The drawing will be held on Monday, June 13.**

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!**

If your Church Dues are in arrears, please make an effort to send them to the Church as we began the New Year. The Annual dues are **\$160.00** per year. Please call Gloria Shaw at 570-954-3905 to get your balance. **May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless you for many years!**

Please remember in your prayers; Alexander Wanas who is recuperating at home; 604 Scranton-Carbondale Highway, Childs, Pa. 18433. Please send him a get-well card. **Irene Leschak** who is home receiving rehab;.229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. **Peter Senio is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge**, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. **Please remember in your prayers; John Drutarosky**, who is a patient at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407 **Please send him a get-well card!**

Coffee Hour for Sunday: June 5, Maryann Dubee & Susan Schlasta, **June 12**, Millie Telep & Dorthey Allen, **June 19**, Matushka Kathy & Matushka Dolores, **June 26**, Ruth Lasichak & Roxanne Neutts

The Feast of the Ascension of Christ: Jesus did not live with His disciples after His resurrection as He had before His death. Filled with the glory of His divinity, He appeared at different times and places to His people, assuring them that it was He, truly alive in His risen and glorified body.

To them He presented Himself alive after His passion by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days, and speaking of the Kingdom of God (Acts 1.3).

On the fortieth day after Pascha, Jesus ascended into heaven to be glorified on the right hand of God (Acts 1.9-11; Mk 16.19; Lk 24.51). The ascension of Christ is His final physical departure from this world after the resurrection. It is the formal completion of His mission in this world as the Messianic Savior. It is His glorious return to the Father Who had sent Him into the world to accomplish the work that He had given him to do (Jn 17.4-5).

... and lifting His hands He blessed them. While blessing them, He parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they returned to Jerusalem with great joy (Lk 24.51-52).

