

Holy Assumption Orthodox Church
Celebrating 125 years witnessing to the Apostolic Faith



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Fr. Peter Tomas, Rector



JUNE 18, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA



His little arms crept round my neck,
And then I heard him say,
Four simple words I can't forget,
Four words that made me pray.

They turned a mirror on my soul,
On secrets no one knew,
They startled me, I hear them yet,
He said, "I'll be like you!"

Author Unknown



All Saints of America

EPISTLE: Romans 2:10-16

Glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God. For as many as have sinned without law will also perish without law, and as many as have sinned in the law will be judged by the law (for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified; for when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do the things in the law, these, although not having the law, are a law to themselves, who show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves their thoughts accusing or else excusing them) in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

Liturgical Schedule

SUNDAY - JUNE 18

**2nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA**

**9:10 AM HOURS, 9:30 AM DIVINE
LITURGY Followed by Coffee Hour**

**SATURDAY - JUNE 24 NATIVITY OF ST.
JOHN THE BAPTIST**

VESPERS, 4 PM

SUNDAY - JUNE 25

3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**9:10 AM HOURS, 9:30 AM DIVINE
LITURGY Followed by Coffee Hour**

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:18-23

At that time, Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately left their nets and followed Him. Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.



FOR YOUR PRAYERS



Subdeacon Roger Pinta, P.O. Box 39, Middle Bass, OH 43446; Diane Tryon, 109 Joslyn Street, Arcadia, OH 44804; Ed & Irene Vangeloff, 454 Strouse Lane, Sandusky, OH 44870

PRAYER LIST

Parishioners & Family: Carol / David Martin / Jim Twarek / Fred Soski / Chris Hannon / Subdeacon Roger Pinta / Tony Monastra / Tina / Ed Vangeloff / Irene Vangeloff / Diane Tryon / Sonja Rose / David Mazurik / Ron Royhab / James Bargdill / John Beadle / Carole Conaway / Gary Conaway / Sharon Dietrich / Michael Glovinsky / Shirley Gresh / Joseph Habegger / Elaine Hileman / Betty Kovach / Helen Lis / Child Stella Miller / William Pipenur / Earl Rindfleisch / Helen Jean Rofkar / Elaine Libb / George Royhab / Marianne Royhab / Stephanie Royhab / Stacy Kaplan / Kathy Jacob / the child Bodhi Cassell / Nikki Williams & Brexly / Gleice & Chloe / Natalie & newborn Caleb / Gabrielle and her unborn child / Carol / Debbie & Marco / Nora. **Other Requests:** Archpriest David Lis / Bishop Matthias / Marge Dziama / Child Ezra / Kurt Franck / Ben Franklin / Donald Gresh / Mark Ludvik / Marsha / Mark Masica / Robert Piznar / Valerie Ritzenthaler / William / Rick Rowe / Sandy Scafaria / Chuck Wiedenhoft / Chris / David Warner / Tamman Haddad. **Military:** Craig Cassell / Jake Ellithorpe / Jordon Fulton / Justin Issler / Tikhon / Nicholas / & All Military

JUNE CANDLE SPONSORS



Altar Candles: Fr. Peter & Matushka Michelle, Birthday blessings for their son Peter Alexander (6/20) and Helena Tomášová (6/14) **(\$50)**; **Chandelier:** Basil Glovinsky, In loving memory of wife Jean **(\$50)**; **Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** Tamara Rentz Blackford, In loving memory of William Rentz, Rob Blackford, JR and Rob Blackford, SR. (father-in-law) **(\$25)**; **Candles at the Cross:** Laura Kovach, Birthday blessings to Stephanie and in memory of John Kovach **(\$15)**; **Candles at St. Tikhon's Icon:** For Safety and Health of Nicholas, Tikhon, Gleice, & Chloe **(\$15)**

JUNE REPOSED

4- Alex Sennich (1994); **4-** Vicoria 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, Karen's Cousin 2019; **21-** Mary Elchisco Migala (1983); **22-** Archpriest Kyrill Hartman (2010) Former Pastor; **23-** Ruth Benya (1995); **26-** George Millie (1974); **27-** Anna Ignatenkoo (1969); **29-** Stephen Millie (1988)

VIGILS FOR JUNE 11



Tamara Blackford 1 In memory of Rob Blackford

Susan Guzy 1 Special Intention

Laura Kovach 2 For health and/or healing of Kathie J., Roger P., Diane T., Irene V., Ed V., Robin C., Betty K., Ben F., Earl R., Mark M., Dana M., Bodhi C., Sharon D., John D., Pauline O., and Karen D. Safe travels for family

Sandy Martin 2 In loving memory of my dad on his birthday (6/12); Special intentions

David & Roddie Mazurik 3 Peace; Health of mother Carol and sister Debbie; Health of Virginia Joy

Ron & Bobbie Royhab 1 For health and healing of Kathy Jacob

Natalie Twarek 6 Safe travel for the Kent anniversary group, Health and recovery of Carol Clevinger, Health and recovery of Roger, Health and recovery of Tony, Irene, Father David, Diane, Marilyn, Pauline, Sandy, Don & Judy, Mimi, Health and recovery of Heather, Stephanie, Arrianna, Keyondrea, For the health of Tina, Robin, Ed, Ron, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Kurt, Leslie, Health of Amber, Zach, Dottie, Jamie, Ezra, David, Helen Lis and Tina's dad, Earl, Tom, Loren, Sonya, Margi & Joe, Betty, Jackie, MaryAnn & Bob, Chuck, Bodhi, Stella, Jake, Pat, Karen

CHARITY OF THE MONTH



St. Tikhon's Seminary is the charity we donate to for the month of June.

READERS LIST



Sunday June 18 - Tim;
Sunday June 25 - Ron;
Thursday June 29 - Laura
Sunday July 2 - Natalie

ATTENDANCE



6/10 Vespers, 14 attending (2 guests); 6/11 Divine Liturgy, 36 attending (10 guests)

JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



25- Fr. Peter Tomas; **26-** Jim & Laura Kovach Anniversary



SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday, June 11

Tithe	\$ 1,243.00
Candles	\$ 51.00
Vigils	\$ 216.00
Donations	\$ 115.00
Holy Day Donation	\$ 10.00
St. Tikhon's Seminary	\$ 480.00
Total:	\$2,115.00

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



CLEANING SCHEDULE

June 12, Tina;
 June 19, Laura;
 June 26, Natalie
 July 3, Laura



NUT HORNS BAKING – THANK YOU!

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the following parishioners and friends who came this week to help with Nut Horns: Basil, Tina, Bobbie, Kathy, Roddie, Fred, Gabe, Laura, Sandy, Mimi, Fr. Peter, and Mat. Michelle. Our sincere thanks are extended also to Greg who came on Wednesday and baked cookies for our Market Days. May our Lord and God reward you all for your hard work and love for our church, and grant you long life, good health, peace, and happiness for Many Happy and Blessed Years!



SINCERE THANK YOU

We would like to express our sincere thanks to Bobbie and Angela for weeding and planting new flowers around the church; and to Angela for assisting with obtaining contact information for invitations for our 125th Anniversary celebration. Once again, our sincere thanks are extended to Bobbie for cleaning the white vigil and votive glass containers and organizing the inventory of all the containers. May Our Lord and God bless you both and grant you Many Happy and Blessed Years!



MARKET DAY

Our next Market Day will take place on Saturday, June 24th starting with set up at 8:00 AM. We will have pierogi, kielbasa and kraut, spanakopita, and a large variety of baked goods. Your help is greatly appreciated!

ANNOUNCEMENTS/NOTICES

This week your help is needed with the following projects:

- 1—Tuesday, June 20 at 8 AM, baking nut rolls
- 2—Wednesday, June 21st and Thursday, June 22nd at 8 AM, processing onions for market day pierogi sales
- 3—Friday, June 23rd at 8 AM, pierogi processing and packaging
- 4— Weeding/trimming/planting around the church continues
- 5—Please consider sponsoring a Sunday coffee hour following the Divine Liturgy



On Friday, June 16th, Fr. Peter, and Mat. Michelle attended a presentation on Elder Abuse by Ottawa County Department of Job and Family Services. Our own parishioner Stephanie Kowal,

director of Job and Family Services made a presentation to the community about the importance of protecting elder adults and raising awareness about elder abuse in Ottawa County. We thank Stephanie for being an advocate for seniors who may become victims of this kind of abuse in our community. To report elder abuse please call the 24-hour Ohio reporting line at 1-855-644-6277, or you can see Fr. Peter or Stephanie for guidance. There is no excuse for elder abuse!

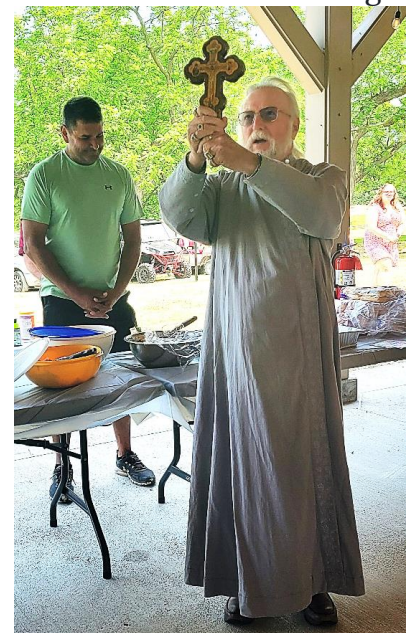


A NOTE FROM SUBDEACON ROGER



Father Peter, Brothers and Sisters in Christ, GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!!!

I would rather deliver this in person, but to do that, I would probably have to wait until August, and heartfelt thanks cannot wait that long. Accordingly, I humbly extend my sincerest thanks for all the prayers and candles that were offered for my successful surgical procedure and recovery. Reports of your prayers brought tears to my eyes, and I will never forget your concern and kindness, as well as Father Peter's visit to the Intensive Care Unit to commune me. The word "deacon" comes from the Greek word "diakonos" which means "to serve". I promise to always serve you and the church to the best of my ability. Hopefully, my body willing and God willing, I will be back to help at this year's Halupkifest. I will close with the first line of Psalm 133: "Behold how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity."



Yours in Christ,

Roger

Fishers of Men: Called to Feed the World with the Word

By Fr. Ted



Note in the Gospel Lesson that before becoming evangelists, the disciples are first called **to follow** Jesus. “Come with me,” Christ beckons to those He is newly calling to be disciples. First, we must follow Him and only if we follow Him, travel with Him, learn from Him – in effect become His disciples – can we be made into “fishers of men” – apostles and evangelists. In Matthew’s Gospel Jesus starts forming His inner group of disciples from a core group of fishermen – men who work together to cast nets into the sea to take a haul of fish (not use rod and reel and hook to catch individual fish). Important to remember is that the real goal of fishermen is not simply

to catch fish; more importantly they feed the world. They turn the catch into something valuable for all humanity. They seek out the God given abundance of creation and use it to nourish their fellow humans. In this sense the fishermen are valuable to the world, and give something valuable to people. They are not simply those who take from the earth or profit from its riches. They work hard to harvest the abundant resources which God has bestowed upon the earth in order to provide for the needs of others. Fishermen thus remind us of the Genesis 3:17-19 injunction to humanity that only by the sweat of the brow will the earth yield its abundance.

Robert Louis Wilken in his book “The Spirit of Early Christian Thought” speaks to the issue of our first becoming disciples, following Jesus and learning from the Master when he describes St. Augustine’s thought

“...that the knowledge acquired by faith is not primarily a matter of gaining information. The acquiring of religious knowledge is akin to learning a skill. It involves practices, attitudes, and dispositions and has to do with ordering one’s loves. This kind of knowledge, the knowledge one lives by, is gained gradually over time. Just as one does not learn to play the piano in a day, so one does not learn to love God in an exuberant moment of delight. If joy does not find words, if it does not exercise the affections and stir the will, if it is not confirmed by actions, it will be as fleeting as the last light out of the black west. The knowledge of God sinks into the mind and heart slowly and hence requires apprentices. That is why, says Augustine, we must become ‘servants of wise men.’”

It really is the purpose of the parish, the local Christian community, to be the very locale where we learn to be Christ’s disciples. Any vision of the parish or strategic plan for the parish has to take into account: “what does the parish have to do or be in order to disciple its members, to apprentice them, so that they can be true followers of Christ and the future apostles and evangelists of the Church?” The answer to this question helps us to understand what it is that only the local parish can give to each of us Christians personally and collectively – that which we cannot get anywhere else in the world. We can have friends and community from other places, we can be entertained and socialized by other organizations, but it is only within the local Christian community that we can be discipled, learn from the example of other disciples and leaders, practice our apprenticeship under the loving guidance of fellow believers. In Christ telling us to be fishers of men, He was not merely directing us “to draw the world into His net”, He was calling us to nurture and feed the world with the Bread which comes from heaven (John 6:28-41).