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Orthodox Church*

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**June 30, 2024**

**Sunday of All Saints**

*Glory Be to Jesus Christ! Glory Be Forever!*

<b>Services</b>	Sat., July 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Great Vespers with Confession</b>	<b>6 pm</b>
	Sun., July 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Sunday of All Regional Saints</b>	
		Hours	<b>9:15 am</b>
		Divine Liturgy	<b>9:30 am</b>

\*Take time to read the scriptures to prepare your heart and mind for Sunday Liturgy.

**Epistle:** Romans 2:10-16

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 4:18-23

<p><b>Tone 8 Troparion</b> <i>(Resurrection)</i></p> <p>Thou didst descend from on <u>high</u>, O <u>Merciful</u> One!</p> <p>Thou didst <u>accept</u> the <u>three</u> day burial to free us from our <u>sufferings</u>!</p> <p>O Lord, our <u>Life</u> and <u>Resurrection</u>, <u>glory</u> to Thee!</p> <p><b>Tone 4 Troparion</b> <i>(All Saints)</i></p> <p>As with fine porphyry and royal <u>purple</u>, Thy Church has been adorned with Thy martyrs' blood shed throughout <u>all</u> the world.</p> <p>She cries to Thee, O <u>Christ</u> God:</p> <p>“Send down Thy bounties on Thy <u>people</u>, grant peace to Thy habitation and great <u>mercy</u> to our souls!”</p>	<p><b>Tone 4 Kontakion</b> <i>(All Saints)</i></p> <p>The universe <u>offers</u> <u>Thee</u> the God-bearing <u>Martyrs</u> as the first <u>fruits</u> of creation, O Lord and <u>Creator</u>.</p> <p>By their prayers keep Thy <u>Church</u>, Thy habitation, in <u>abiding</u> peace through the <u>Theotokos</u>, O <u>most Merciful</u> One!</p>	<p><b>Tone 8 Prokeimenon</b> <i>(Resurrection)</i></p> <p>Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God! (<i>Ps. 75:10a</i>)</p> <p><i>V. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.</i> (<i>Ps. 75:1</i>)</p>
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## Epistle

*(Hebrews 11:33-12:2)*

who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection.

Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment.

They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented –

of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, *in* dens and caves of the earth.

And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise,

God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares *us*, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

## **Gospel**

*(Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30)*

**“Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven.**

**“But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.**

**“He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.**

**“And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.**

Then Peter answered and said to Him, “See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?”

So Jesus said to them, **“Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.**

**“And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name’s sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life.**

**“But many *who are* first will be last, and the last first,**

## **Announcements:**

Hawaii’s Myrrh-Streaming Iveron icon will be visiting Saint Basil’s (Ridge Road, Belle Vernon) on **Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. An Akafist service will be celebrated at 6:30 pm.** All are welcome!

July’s Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for **Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.**

A special thanks for those who celebrated the Feast at Holy Trinity this past week. The service was beautiful, well attended, and the choir was excellent. Some who were in attendance felt bad that they didn’t tape the service.

The construction of the handicap accessible restrooms went very well! There are still a few items that need to be resolved but the overall job looks great.

A special thanks for those who took the time to do some cleanup around the Church. The contractors did a nice job cleaning up the construction debris but there is always dust that needs to be cleaned up as well. A handful of parishioners stepped up and did a wonderful job of cleaning up the dust. Too often we don’t see or express our appreciation for all of the work that is done behind the scenes.

A special thanks to those who pulled weeds and did general cleanup around the outside of the Church as well. There are still plenty of opportunities to pull weeds and general cleanup around the outside of the Church.

Father Stephan would like to plan a Church Picnic before the summer is over. Any suggestions on a date?

**ANOTHER SCAM ALERT! BEWARE!** A parishioner was contacted by text this week requesting information on Father Stephan's behalf. If anyone is contacted requesting information from Father Stephan **please do not respond to the request.** You can always call Fr. Stephan at his listed number from the bulletin.

Parish Council is also accepting donations to help defray costs of the much needed restroom renovation. Please place your donation in an envelope labelled "Restroom Renovations" and leave in the basket at the candlestand. Many thanks in advance for your generosity!

***Note from Council:*** There is an open position on Parish Council. If anyone is interested, please contact one of the Parish officers: Tim Laciak, Joe Niro or Michelle Meisner.