

Pentecost Sunday

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*Acts 2:1-11*

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

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Homily by

Fr. Marc Dunaway

Epistle Reader:

Jennifer Medders

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Dougherty / Gillquist



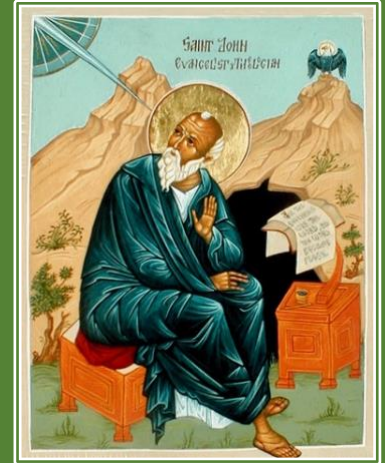
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Weekly Bulletin

Sunday, June 23, 2024

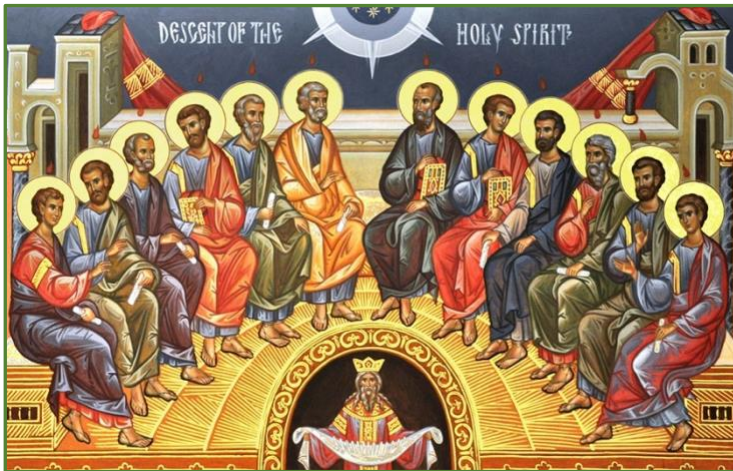
And the Days Following

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*O Apostle John, speaker of Deity, the beloved of Christ our God, hasten to deliver your people powerless in speech, for He on Whose bosom you lean accepts you as an intercessor. Beseech Him, therefore, to disperse the darkness of ignorance and pray for peace and great mercies to be shown upon us.*

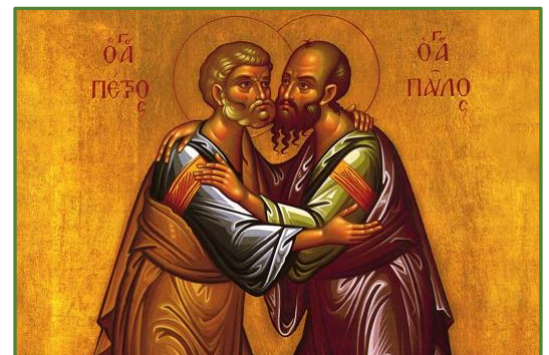
### *Feast Days and Services*



*Pentecost  
Descent of the Holy  
Spirit  
Kneeling Vespers  
This Sunday Night (June  
23) at 6:15pm*

*June 23-29 – Pentecost Week – No Fasting*

**Saints Peter and Paul Feast Day June 29**  
**Great Vespers Friday night at 7:15pm, June 28,**  
**Divine Liturgy Saturday morning at 9:15am, June 29**

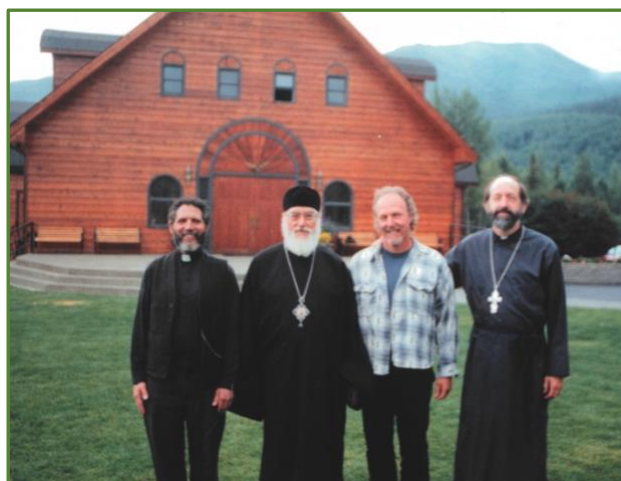


## Parish Events and News

### Memory Eternal! Fr. James Bernstein

May 6, 1946 - June 17, 2024

Fr. James Bernstein fell asleep in the Lord on Monday, June 17. He was the father of Mary Curry and a friend to many in our Parish for many years. He was a retired priest in the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese who was previously the pastor of Saint Paul Church in Brier, WA and dean of the Pacific Northwest Deanery. 50 years ago, he and his wife Bonnie (Martha) were part of Fr. Jack Sparks Christian ministry in Berkeley, CA and during that time became good friends with Fr. Marc, who has many good memories of times they shared together. In 2008 Fr. James' book, "Surprised by Christ," was published, telling the story of his journey from Judaism to Orthodox Christianity. We will pray the Trisagion Prayers for Fr. James this coming Sunday as we also remember 40 days since the passing of Eloise Lamb. Eloise was also a friend of the Bernstein's and Fr. James was even her pastor for a time when she lived in Washington. May his memory be eternal and may he dwell with blessed.



*Fr. James Bernstein, Metropolitan Kallistos Ware, Deacon Jeremiah Crawford, Fr. Marc at the Eagle River Institute in 1996.*

*Reading "The Orthodox Church" together in Berkeley, CA in 1976 was a pivotal moment in turning these three friends toward Orthodoxy. Here they celebrated a reunion with the author 20 years later.*

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### Helping Out at Downtown Hope Soup Kitchen

Hello all! I have been taking small groups 2-3 times a month consistently to the Downtown Hope Soup Kitchen since March. Several of us are starting to get to know the staff and regular volunteers and it has been a great place to connect with people. If anyone is interested in coming with me to a shift (either a one-hour shift during weekday evenings or a 4.5 hour shift during mornings August onward) please let me know.



Thank you to Danielle, Charlie, Joshua, and Nathan Stevens, Natasha Haines, Martha and Heidi Fisher, the Lindblom's, and Henry Ihde for attending shifts since our last big group one in March. We have made and distributed hundreds of sandwiches and passed out meals several times. We look forward to continuing this partnership with the kitchen 😊 -Sydney Ihde

## Parish Council Update

Saint John's Parish Council recently completed a 6-week "Boot Camp" provided by the Orthodox Christian Leadership Initiative, working with Fr. Ian PacUrar. We began this training before Lent. All current Parish Council members attended, plus a dozen or persons interested in being future Parish Council members. This work is aimed at preparing our Parish Council to re-structure itself to assume more responsibilities in overseeing our Cathedral parish. This work will continue through the summer. In late summer or early fall, we will have a general Church family meeting to share what has been learned and include the Parish in future steps. So, stay tuned for more. - Fr. Marc



*Coming up...*

*Wedding of Harvest Bowman and Jacob Carroll  
Sunday, July 7, 2024 at 4 o'clock  
There will be a Small Reception afterward in the  
Church Basement.*

## Looking for a Room or Apartment

Anna Sluz is returning to Eagle River after a fruitful novitiate at the St. Nilus Serbian Orthodox Monastery. She is looking for room or apartment in the St. John's Community while she re-enters the world and establishes her Alaskan licensure to practice occupational therapy. Please text her at 907-360-4810 if you have any leads or suggestions.

## Volunteer Drivers for Oksana to Church Needed

We need drivers for Oksana to attend church with us each Sunday and hope you could help. Please email Dn. Kevin at doughertykb@yahoo.com or text me at 907-947-5345 for any Sunday that you could volunteer. Fortunately, volunteers have signed up to cover some days. Please see the list of needed rides below: I'll give directions to new drivers. — Dn. Kevin

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| June 23 – Need Driver | July 28 – Need Driver |
| June 30 – Need Driver | Aug 4 – Need Driver   |
| July 7 – Need Driver  | Aug 11 – Need Driver  |
| July 14 – Need Driver | Aug 18 – Need Driver  |
| July 21 – Need Driver |                       |



## *Coffee Hour This Sunday - June 23, 2024 Group D - 4th Sunday of the Month*

### **Hosts Families: Dougherty / Kendall**

Snacks: Alexander, Arvidson, Clodfelter, Dougherty, Dunaway, Dyal, Fletes, Haines, Hightower, B & M Johnson, Jones, Kies, Lamb, Mee, Moses, Palmer, Parker, Ray, Snider, Stogsdill, I. Temple, Terrell, Van Dyke, Webster

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Next Sunday – 5th Sunday – June 30 Hosts: Templeton, K. Sorensen, A. Stallman

Snacks: Everyone brings snacks and helps clean up

Notes and Pictures from Parishioners

“Checking In” with Each Other

Is there something you'd like to share? Please email stjohnalaska@aol.com

High School Grad – Jared Lindblom



Book to Sign for Paul & Oliva Gillquist at Coffee Hour Today

I am leaving Monday night to visit Paul, Olivia and the boys in Arizona (Rollie's birthday is June 28.) I will have a book at coffee hour to leave messages for them if anyone wants to do so. I could also attach photos or letters as well. You can give them to me at coffee hour or put them in my file folder next to the kitchen. — Jennifer Gillquist

Dates to Remember

Birthdays This Week

June 23 - Mattie Hattenburg

June 29 - Dan Palmer

June 27 - Elizabeth Klatt

M A N Y Y E A R S !



Anniversaries This Week

Vic & Laura Temple - June 30, 1983

Josh & Katy Arvidson - June 30, 2002

Bob & Phebe Dyal - July 5, 2010

Nathanael & Macrina Ray - July 1, 2012



Remembering in Prayer...

Linda Peters

Janet Hawi

Tisha Dunham

*We will continue to pray for all those suffering in Ukraine
and for all those suffering in Israel and Gaza, for a quick end to
war and for peace*

Remembering Those Who Have Fallen Asleep This Month



Miranda Marie Kelly - June 8, 1984

Kh. Esther Lois Sparks - June 18, 2012

Rosalie Ann Zink - June 21, 2000

Ruth McLean French - June 24, 1984

Andrew Kenneth Davis - June 25, 2022

Brenda Joy Davis - June 28, 1994

M E M O R Y E T E R N A L !

Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of **JULY** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:
Saturday, July 27. Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.



THE SYNAXARION

Pentecost



On this day, the seventh Sunday after Pascha, we celebrate the holy Feast of Pentecost.

Verses

In a violent wind Christ distributes the Divine Spirit.

In the form of fiery tongues unto the Apostles.

In one great day, the Spirit was poured forth upon the Fishermen.

On this day - the fiftieth day after Great and Holy Pascha - we commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the holy Disciples and Apostles in the form of tongues of fire. Numbering about 120, they who followed the Master gathered in Jerusalem in the upper room of a house to await the Lord's promise to send the Holy Spirit. At about the third hour of the day, there came a sound from Heaven as that of a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the house. 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, not with the languages of their ancestors, but with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. When the sound of the rushing wind occurred, a large crowd of people gathered around and became confused, because everyone heard the disciples speak in his own language. The Apostle Peter raised his voice and explained what had happened and 3,000 people joined the Church on this, the day of its birth. Three important things take place on the Feast of Pentecost: the coming of the Holy Spirit into the world, the fulfillment of the promise of Jesus Christ, and the completion of the undefiled hope of the Apostles.

By the intercessions of the Holy Apostles, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Bulletin Announcement Guidelines

Send announcements to church email address: stjohnalaska@aol.com. Have announcements submitted by Thursday or at very latest Friday 9am. If you have any questions regarding announcements – contact Maris Kelly at the church office. 907-696-2002.

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