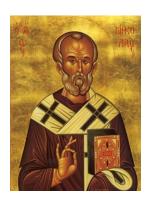
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Epistle Hebrews 11:33-12:22

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Fr. Nathan Clausson *Acting Rector*Mark Howanetz, *Choir Director*

1st Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints
Those who are known to us, and
those who are known only to God

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Gospel Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38:19:27-30

Troparion Tone 8 (Resurrection)

Thou didst des<u>cend</u> from on <u>high</u>,
O <u>Mer</u>ciful One! Thou didst ac<u>cept</u>
the <u>three</u> day burial to free us from our <u>sufferings!//</u> O Lord, our <u>Life</u> and Resur<u>rec</u>tion, <u>glory</u> to Thee!

Troparion Tone 4 (All Saints)

For As with fine porphyry and royal purple, Thy Church has been adorned with Thy martyrs' blood shed throughout all the world. She cries to Thee,
O Christ God: "Send down Thy bounties on Thy people,// grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls!"

Kontakion Tone 8 (Feast)

When The universe <u>offers Thee</u> the God-bearing <u>Mar</u>tyrs as the first <u>fruits</u> of creation, O Lord and Creator. By their prayers keep Thy <u>Church</u>, Thy habitation, in abiding peace// through the Theotokos, O <u>most Mer</u>ciful One!

Prayers for the Sick

Archpriest Vladimir Thom
Priest John Julie
Priest James Joan
Matushka Gloria Vera
Matushka Myra Helen
Matushka Nancy Marie

For all who are sick or suffering with afflictions in our parish, our community and throughout the world!

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Services for the Week

Saturday June 17th, Great Vespers 5:00 PM Sunday June 18th, Divine Liturgy, with 9:30 AM

Announcements

July 2, 2023

His Eminence Archbishop Mark will visit our parish on July 2, 2023. We will be joined by Father Paul Witek and the parishioners of All Saints Church for his visit. Please plan to attend divine liturgy on that Sunday.

St. Nicholas will be having a 4th of July style cookout following Divine Liturgy

July 9, 2023

Once again Bill and Marie Evanina have opened their lovely home to us for our annual parish picnic. A sign up sheet will be at the candle desk. Dinner will be provided but we are asking for appetizer donations. See Matushka Kyra if you can bring something.

The picnic will begin after divine liturgy and there will be no coffee hour. Bring your swimsuits, they have a beautiful pool! Thank you Bill and Marie.

- 1. Coffee Hour in the fellowship hall after Divine Liturgy. Please join us
- 2. Our Monthly Parish Council Meeting is on July 25th the last Sunday of the month.
- **3**. We will be making Peroghi this Saturday June 17th at 10:30 AM, please join us.The price of our Peroghi is now \$10 per dozen.
- **4**. Our next donation will be for St. Francis of Assisi kitchen. Our goal is to collect \$100 to sponsor a meal for the day. Help us to help those in need.



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"But as the One who called you is holy, be you also holy in all your behavior" 1 Peter 1:15

Brethren, holiness is a virtue which encompasses all other virtues. Hence brethren, a saint is a man adorned with all virtues. But if a man is prayerful and is not compassionate, he cannot be called holy. Or, if a man endures but without faith and hope he cannot be numbered among the saints. Or, if a man is

very compassionate but without faith in God in truth, such a man cannot be numbered among the saints.

A saint is a perfect man such as Adam was in Paradise; or even better, such as the New Adam was, the Lord Jesus Christ. This is the Saint above the saints. This is the Sower of holiness on earth and the Nurturer of the saints in history. He called us to the dignity of the saints. He showed us the example of a true Saint.



He is the prototype of the saints as He is the arch-type of man. A true man, my brethren, does not mean anything else but a saint. A saint and a man, that is one and the same. He showed us what it means to be a man and what it means to be a saint.

The Apostle Peter commands us: "Be you

also holy in all your [living] behavior!" A saint is not a saint in one aspect of his life but rather in every aspect of his entire life. We must be holy in every work and aspect of our life in order to be numbered among the saints, i.e., among men according to the prototype of the saints and the arch-type of man, the Lord Jesus Christ.

O All-holy Lord, to You be glory and thanks always. Amen.

St. Nikolai Velimirovich

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How people change when they're enveloped by divine grace. This divine grace made the martyrs not only impervious to the pain of their sufferings, but joyful that they were being martyred for Christ.

Saint Ephraim Katounakiotis

Richard Cesari Parish Council President (570) 489-7145

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