

PENTECOST SUNDAY 5/19/24

Saturday: 5:30 PM (E) ✕ David Breznak

Sunday: 8:30 AM (G) ✕ Glenn Simkovitch (req. by Andrew C. Simkovitch)

11:00 AM (E) For the Parish Family

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS 5/26/24

Saturday: 5:30 PM (E) For the Parish Family

Sunday: 8:30 AM (G) ✕ Helen Kohan (req. by Mike Kohan)

11:00 AM (E) ✕ Margaret Krivonak (req. by Margaret Ferrick)

OUR RETURN TO THE LORD FOR ALL HE HAS GIVEN US:  
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CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD MAY COLLECTION – Canned meals such as Beef Stew, Chili, Corned Beef Hash, Spaghetti, Ravioli, etc.  
*Proverbs 14:31 – “Anyone who oppresses the poor is insulting God who made them. To help the poor is to honor God.”*

EASTERN CATHOLIC FORMATION

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*Prayer to Sts. Cyril & Methodius*

*O Holy Slavonic Apostles, Cyril and Methodius, you led those lost souls and us with them from the darkness of pagan error to the light of the true faith of Christ. Now you rejoice with Christ in heaven. We rejoice in your glory, with which God has rewarded your untiring zeal. We humbly thank Him for the great gift of Christianity which our heavenly Father has bestowed upon us through your efforts. Intercede with God for us who are unworthy descendants of Adam. Grant that we may be strengthened in the true faith which you preached in the Slavic lands. Amen*

PENTECOST SUNDAY

During Pentecost, we commemorate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church and recall the importance of Jesus’ final words to His disciples that His disciples must continue in His preaching and teaching ministry until He comes again.

After the feast of Pentecost, the apostles were sent out of Jerusalem in order to proclaim the Gospel of the Kingdom and to baptize. They went out of Jerusalem to Judea and to the rest of the world. This small detail is very important because they started in the holy city of Jerusalem, the center off the Jewish world. Then they went out to Judea, to the place where the Jews lived, and then to the rest of the world which is the area of the Gentiles. So we see that they started preaching the Gospel in the heart of Judaism, which was Jerusalem, then to the Gentiles. We see this progression throughout the rest of the book of Acts. Acts retells the story of the first Christians and the ministry of the apostles who were sent out preaching and baptizing all nations. This new religion was referred to as the “Way” and we know that in Antioch these people were first called “Christians” (Acts 11).

*Knowing God*

We may study as much as we will, but we shall still not come to know the Lord unless we live according to His commandments, for the Lord is not made known through learning, but by the Holy Spirit. Many philosophers and scholars have arrived at a belief in the existence of God, but they have not come to know Him. To believe in God is one thing, to know God is another. Both in heaven and on earth the Lord is made known only by the Holy Spirit, and not through ordinary learning.

—An Eastern Rite Monk

NO AVOIDING FEAR

People handle their fear of change in different ways, but the fear is inescapable if we are in fact to change by growing and maturing.

—The Road Less Traveled

THINK ABOUT IT

People are always looking for a pain-free life.

Many popular TV preachers avoid the cross of Christ by saying that Jesus bore the cross so that we would not have to. They ignore the Scripture which calls us to a life of following Christ by taking up our cross.

If you encounter any teaching that pulls the nails out of the cross, or wipes away the wounds of Christ, then be assured that it offers only a quick temporary relief from pain.

*Prayer to the Holy Spirit*

*Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, everywhere present and filling all things, Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life, come and dwell within us, cleanse of all stain, and save our souls, O gracious One.*

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**JESUS PRAYER** – Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner