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20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

- 9:10am – Hours
- 9:30am – Divine Liturgy
Epistle: Gal. 1:11-19
Gospel: Luke 8:26-39
- Panikhida – in memory of Andrew Bacsik, offered by the Bayonne “R” Club.
- Church School

Schedule of Services

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

6:00pm – Great Vespers and Confessions

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6

9:00am – General Confession, Hours

9:30am – Divine Liturgy

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The Honor God Shows Us

Five of the seventy apostles are remembered by the Church on October 30: Cleopas, Tertius, Mark, Justus and Artemas.

The five all have interesting stories—some became bishops, some were martyred, and one was the son of Joseph, the man betrothed to Mary. But the best known to us is Cleopas, to whom the risen Christ appeared on the road to Emmaus.

Cleopas and his equally disheartened companion agree with the other followers of Christ that the news of His resurrection brought by the women was an “idle tale” (Luke 24: 11), not to be believed. Now they are walking the road to the village of Emmaus together and talking about it all.

Jesus joins them, and their sad expression is as revealing as the forlorn tone of their words: “We had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel.” They do not recognize Him; they only know that what they hoped for has ended in disappointment.

Here is where Jesus honors their intelligence and ability. He refrains from excoriating them for not knowing Him. He does not reveal Himself with a blast of glory that will completely overwhelm them and make it impossible not to recognize Him. Instead, He reminds them of what they already know—the Old Testament prophecies and “in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.” He lets their minds and hearts work toward recognition.

When they reach the village, Cleopas and his companion see that Jesus apparently intends to travel on. They invite Him to supper, still not knowing who He is, but glad for His company. At the table He again does nothing that will compel them to recognize Him. He just does the simple, warm thing He did so often during their years together. He blesses and breaks

Intercessory Prayer

THE LIVING:

Benedict and Eva Benda, Valentina Benda, Cathryn Christensen, Olga DeMay, Marianne Guagenti, George Hook, Peter Mazula, Walter Milk, Helen Pirniak, Stephen & Lillian Sokol, Elizabeth Zuber.

May God grant you Many Years!

THE DEPARTED:

Georgette Saba, Matilda Skripak, Andrew Bacsik, Helen Pawlush, Mary Milk, Antonina Rotko, Helen Cotrone, June Bianchini, Maryanne Benda, Anne Verona.

Memory Eternal! Вечная Память!

bread, and gives it to them. And that is how they come to realize who He is. Jesus honors them by allowing their discovery to be their own.

There is a striking example of the way God honors us in Genesis 2:20, where we read that Adam “gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field.” There is no suggestion that God prompts Adam; the names are completely what the man wishes them to be. In Genesis’ own words, “...whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name” (2:28b).

The Qu’ran describes the naming of the animals quite differently. The chapter entitled “The Cow” tells us (8:29) that Allah “taught Adam the names of all things.” Then Allah places these things before Adam and says, “Tell them their names.” This is pure recitation, not at all the honor Genesis accords Adam by letting him use his abilities to create names.

That honor is among the multitude of gifts given by the One who “gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age” as Paul writes in Galatians 1:4, one of the readings for this day.



Announcements

❖ Please do not forget that daylight saving time ends next Sunday, November 6 by turning clock backward 1 hour.

❖ A heartfelt thank you to all of you who supported the October 2nd breakfast to help St. John the Baptist Church (ACROD) in Rahway. \$700.00 was collected to help defray costs of cleanup and restoration of their Church Hall, severely damaged by the flood.

❖ Ss. Peter & Paul Russian Orthodox Church in South River is hosting a Russian Fall Festival on Sat. November 5th from 10am–5:00pm. For more information please see a flyer posted on the bulletin board.

❖ On Sunday, November 6, 2011 there will be a Spaghetti Dinner & Card Party at St. Mary’s Orthodox Church, 89 W 29th St, Bayonne, NJ. Please make reservations by calling 201-823-0305 or 201-436-5221. Reservations close October 31, 2011.

Birthday Greetings

and warmest wishes to Philip Benda and to all who celebrate their birthdays in the month of November. May God grant you and your loved ones good health and happiness for Many, Many, Many Years! Mnogaya Leta!

Welcome Visitors

We welcome all visitors to our Divine Liturgy. It is our joy to have you with us today. If this is your first visit to our parish, we welcome you and invite you to return as often as you are able.

While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the Cross and receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.