ALL SAINTS ORTHODOX CHURCH OLYPHANT, PENNSYLVANIA

July 15, 2012 SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Holy Equal-to-the-Apostles Great Prince Vladimir (in Baptism Basil), Enlightener of the Russian Lands (1015).

Fathers of the 1st Six Ecumenical Councils.



Romans 12:6-14 (Epistle): Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry. let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not

lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

Matthew 9:1-8 (Gospel): So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city. Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you." And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, "This Man blasphemes." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins - then He said to the paralytic, "Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." And he arose and departed to his house. Now when the multitudes saw it, they marveled and glorified God, who had given such power to men.

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Services & Activities:

Sunday, July 15 9:00 am Divine Liturgy

Litya for Jean Masko and

Ann Marie & Doreen Koziar

Monday, July 16- Friday July 20 8:50 am-12:30 pm

Summer Vacation Church School

Wednesday, July 18 3:00 pm Akathist

Friday, July 20 9:00 am Divine Liturgy—Prophet Elijah

Saturday, July 21 5:30 pm Confession

6:00 pm Vespers

Sunday, July 22 9:00 am Divine Liturgy

ANNOUNCEMENTS: WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Please join us downstairs for Coffee Hour!

ALL SAINTS SUMMER VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL <u>THIS WEEK</u>:
TRAVELING ON THE ARK OF SALVATION: MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY,
JULY 16-20; 8:50 AM – 12:30 PM. AGES 3-11, YOUNGER SIBLINGS
WELCOME AND OLDER KIDS NEEDED AS ASSISTANTS. SEE ELLEN
RUCKS (570) 445-4558 FOR DETAILS & SIGN UP. THIS FRIDAY
CHILDREN'S LITURGY (EVERYONE WELCOME!)

The icon of the Mother of God on the icon stand for veneration is a copy of the miracle working Hawaiian Myrrh-Streaming Iveron icon which was presented to All Saints Parish in remembrance of the visitation of the icon of the Mother of God to All Saints Parish, Olyphant on October 14, 2011.

HOLY TRINITY WILKES-BARRE BAZAAR, SATURDAY (4PM-11PM) & SUNDAY (4PM-10 PM) JULY 28 & 29 ON CHURCH GROUNDS: PIEROGIES, POTATO PANCAKES, HALUPKI, HALUSHKI, HOMEMADE HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, FRENCH FRIES, SAUSAGE & PEPPERS, STEAK SANDWICHES, FUNNEL CAKES, HOMEMADE DESERTS, LIVE MUSIC BEGINNING 7PM.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all of the parishioners of All Saints, their families, neighbors, and friends, especially Claudia, Barbara, Dorothy, George, Martha, Conor, Laura, Michael, Justin, Liam, Andrew, Allen, Cory Joseph, Michael, George, Gregory, Patricia, Matushka Martha, Vera, Joseph, Andrew, all those serving in the Armed Forces, (Michael & Loreen), all missionaries (Christina), all clergy, monastics, and seminarians, the sick and suffering, those in nursing homes, hospitals and prisons, especially for those for whom we have been asked to pray, and all the departed members and family members and friends of All Saints, among them Joannie Schlasta, Timothy Naughton, and all the newly departed, especially Helen Priblo. If you would like Fr. Gabriel to remember the living or the departed at the Divine Liturgy, please give the names to Fr. Gabriel to remember at the Proskomedia.

WHITE ALTAR COVERS NEEDED. Please give your donations to Joni Rezanka. PLEASE HELP WITH COFFEE HOUR! PLEASE FORM A NEW COFFEE HOUR TEAM OR JOIN A COFFEE HOUR TEAM! This is an important part of our parish outreach. See Julie Cohen. Thank you to the Nibbling & Naughton families for today's coffee hour and to the Stafursky families (Steve, Pat & Ken) for next week's coffee hour.

T SHIRTS (ALL SAINTS) AVAILABLE \$8 EACH & RECONSECRATION ORNAMENTS AVAILABLE \$3 OR 2 FOR \$5.

LOTTERY DRAWING every 2 weeks: \$100 to church, \$50 each Friday& Saturday. PLEASE GIVE IN NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF COLLEGE STUDENTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS YOU WOULD LIKE ADDED TO OUR MONTHLY BULLETIN MAILING LIST OUTREACH

SPONSORSHIPS: Bulletin (\$30) in memory of Timothy Naughton; Web-Site (\$25) & Shut-in mailings (\$25) by Linda Stuchlak. Thank you to all of our Donors and Sponsors!

SAMPLE PLEDGE CARDS: Please prayerfully consider handing in your pledge card as soon as possible to help us with budgeting for 2012. WEEKLY COLLECTION: 7/8/12: \$700.00; Tithe: \$340.00; Loose Collection: \$3.00; Second Collection (Charity Fund): \$106.00; REMINDER: PLEASE INCLUDE AN EXTRA \$2.00 IN THE DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT ENVELOPE for the increase that was passed at the Diocesan Assembly. The envelopes were already printed and do not reflect the \$2.00 increase.



St. Vladimir, Equal-to-the-Apostles of Kiev July 15

Grandson of Saint Olga, Saint Vladimir ascended the throne of Kiev in 980. Though a zealous idolater, he was illumined by the grace of God, accepted the Christian Faith, and completely changed his ways. He was baptized in Cherson in 988, receiving the name Basil; he came forth from the font not only healed of a blindness lately afflicting him, but also from being passionate and warlike, he became meek, peaceable, and exceedingly godly. Whereas his grandmother had refused marriage with the Emperor in Constantinople (see July 11), he married Anna, sister of the Emperors Basil and Constantine, and was accompanied home by priests from Constantinople. Diligently seeking to spread Christianity throughout his realm like a new Constan-

tine, he destroyed the idols (having the chief diety Perun scourged and then cast into the Dnieper River), and summoned all his subjects to Holy Baptism. He reposed in peace in 1015.



The Glorious Prophet Elias (Elijah) July 20

Elias of great fame was from Thisbe or Thesbe, a town of Galaad (Gilead), beyond the Jordan. He was of priestly lineage, a man of a solitary and ascetical character, clothed in a mantle of sheep skin, and girded about his loins with a leathern belt. His name is interpreted as "Yah is my God." His zeal for the glory of God was compared to fire, and his speech for teaching and rebuke was likened unto a burning lamp. From this too he received the name Zealot. Therefore, set aflame with such zeal, he sternly reproved the impiety and lawlessness of Ahab and his wife Jezebel. He shut up heaven by means of prayer, and it did not rain for three years and six months. Ravens brought him food for his need when, at God's command, he was hiding by the torrent of Horrath. He multiplied the

little flour and oil of the poor widow of Sarephtha of Sidon, who had given him hospitality in her home, and when her son died, he raised him up. He brought down fire from Heaven upon Mount Carmel, and it burned up the sacrifice offered to God before all the people of Israel, that they might know the truth. At the torrent of Kisson, he slew 450 false prophets and priests who worshipped idols and led the people astray. He received food wondrously at the hand of an Angel, and being strengthened by this food he walked for forty days and forty nights. He beheld God on Mount Horeb, as far as this is possible for human nature. He foretold the destruction of the house of Ahab, and the death of his son Ohozias; and as for the two captains of fifty that were sent by the king, he burned them for their punishment, bringing fire down from Heaven. He divided the flow of the Jordan, and he and his disciple Elisseus passed through as it were on dry land; and finally, while speaking with him, Elias was suddenly snatched away by a fiery chariot in the year 895 B.C., and he ascended as though into heaven, whither God most certainly translated him alive, as He did Enoch (Gen. 5:24; IV Kings 2: 11). But from thence also, after seven years, by means of an epistle he reproached Joram, the son of Josaphat, as it is written: "And there came a message in writing to him from Elias the Prophet, saying, Thus saith the Lord God of David thy father, Because thou hast not walked in the way," and so forth (II Chron. 21:12). According to the opinion of the majority of the interpreters, this came to pass either through his disciple Elisseus, or through another Prophet when Elias appeared to them, even as he appeared on Mount Tabor to the disciples of Christ (see Aug. 6).

Normal fasting this week on Wednesday and Friday.