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When the most High came down and confused the tongues, / He divided the nations; / But when he distributed the tongues of fire / He called all to unity. / Therefore, with one voice, we glorify the All-holy Spirit!

—Kontakion of Pentecost

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Christ is in our midst!

We are preparing to celebrate the Great Feast of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came down upon the disciples to empower them for the ministry that Christ had entrusted to them. We pray to this same Holy Spirit so that the Church may continue to be guided by and empowered by Him.

We will be having a Fast-Free Friday BBQ over at the Ramos home and everyone in the Church is invited. Mka. Felicity and I will be providing the hamburgers and invite you to bring something to complement the Potluck dinner. We will begin at 5:00 p.m. and go till about 8:00 p.m.

On Saturday, June 24th, the women of the Church will be gathering for a Brunch, Brainstorming and Service event. They will meet from 9:30–12:30 at the Church. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall.

On Sunday, June 25th, we will be using our Coffee Hour to present ministry opportunities within the Church where we could use some help to enable our ministry to continue to run smoothly and effectively. Our parish is blessed to have so many people who are willing to help in so many ways, seen and unseen.

May God bless all of you richly,
Fr. Joseph



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& Robinwood Ln.
(2 blocks north of
Racetrack Rd.)



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 God.
 To believe in a God is one thing, to know God another.
 +St Silouan the Athonite

MANY YEARS

Birthdays:

Connie Abbott	June 10
Olga Reighard	June 19
Paul Gomes	June 19
Olivia Vaughan	June 20
Leticia Arsheid	June 22
Anna Worth	June 22
Nikolai Vitz	June 23
Nika Worth	June 25
Leslie Hurst	June 26
Elias Union	June 29
Sophia Teshin	June 30

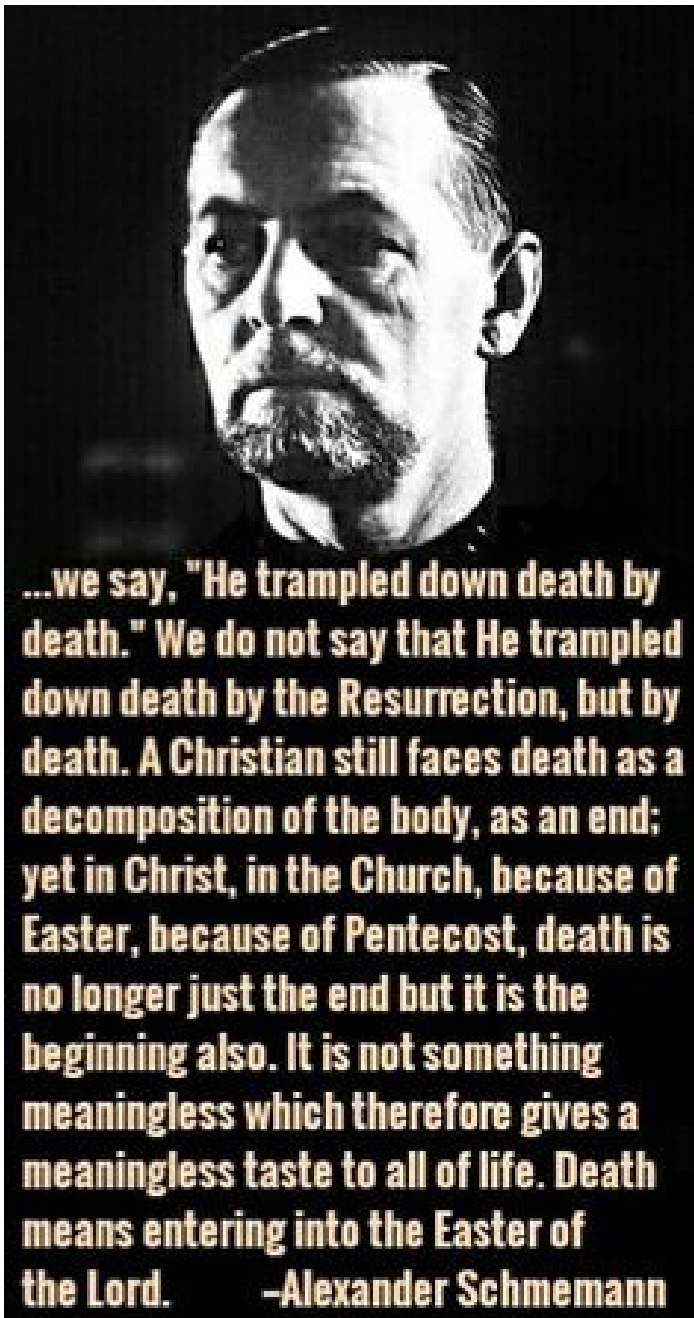
Namesdays:

Beverly Harmer	June 4
Olga Reighard	June 19
Donna Elias	June 27
Paul Gomes	June 29

Hours Readings

June 4	Rdr Tikhon
June 11	Rdr Tikhon
June 18	Rdr Tikhon
June 25	Rdr Tikhon

Anyone who would like to read the Hours before liturgy, please contact Subdeacon Nicolas Teshin at 209-536-1625 to be added to the list or for more information.



Prayer List

PLEASE JOIN US IN GIVING THANKS TO GOD:

- For the skill and devotion of those beautifying our temple and gardens.
- For the beauty of the Mother Lode, and for the privilege we have been given to live here.
- That the Holy Mother of Jesus continues to care for the unborn.
- That many of our petitions are being answered.

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR GOD'S HELP:

- For seasonal weather.
- "St. John, please intercede for us before God.
- For repose of the souls of our service men and women who have given their lives for people of foreign lands.
- To safeguard all the troops who remain in hostile lands.
- That many may come to Orthodoxy through our witness and example.
- To bless our monasteries and the men and women who dwell in them.
- For the growth of the monastery in Sonora.
- For the health of Fr. Ignatius.
- For health and strength for Anna.
- For health and strength for Anastasia.
- For health and healing for Natasha.
- For health and healing for Nina.
- For health and healing for Judy.
- For health of Metropolitan Hilarion.
- For health and healing for Andres.
- For health and healing for Violet.
- For health and healing for Lise.
- For health and healing for Loretta.

To ask us to pray for you, your family, or friends, please email Alex Teshin at alex@teshin.com or call 209-536-9999.

St. Susanna Cleaning Schedule

*Blessed are those who love the beauty
of God's house*

Team 1—Week of June 4

Team 2—Week of June 18

June 2017						
◀ May						July ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Leavetaking of Ascension WO	3 6:00 pm Great Vespers w/Litya for Pentecost
4 9:00 am PENTECOST Divine Liturgy (Acts. 2:1-11 John 7:37-52; 8:12) Pentecost Kneeling Vespers after Potluck Coffee Hour	5 FAST FREE WEEK	6 FAST FREE WEEK	7 FAST FREE WEEK	8 FAST FREE WEEK	9 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm Fast Free BBQ at the Ramos'	10 Leavetaking of Pentecost NO FAST 6:00 pm Great Vespers
11 9:00 am All Saints Divine Liturgy (Heb. 11:33-12:2 Matt. 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30) Council Meeting	12 Beginning of the Sts. Peter and Paul Fast	13 WO	14	15 WO	16	17 FWO 6:00 pm Great Vespers
18 FWO 9:00 am All Saints of America Divine Liturgy (Rom. 2:10-16 Matt. 4:18-23) Father's Day Potluck	19 WO	20 WO	21	22 WO	23	24 FWO Women's Gathering 9:30 am – 12:30pm 6:00 pm Great Vespers
25 9:00am Divine Liturgy (Heb. 11:33-12:2 Matt. 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30) Ministry Coffee Hour	26	27 WO	28	29 Sts Peter and Paul NO SERVICE	30	Notes: