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ENLIGHTENER OF THE PEOPLES OF ALASKA

#### July 26th, 2020 St. Jacob (Netsvetov) 7th SUNDAY OF PENTECOST **ST. MARY S** HOLY DORMITION

### **Scripture Readings**

#### Epistle: Romans 15:1-7

Brethren, we who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me." For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.

#### Gospel: Matthew 9:27-35

At that time, when the Lord departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us!" And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith let it be to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, "See that no one knows it." But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country. As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!" But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons." Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

### **JUL** Birthdays & Anniversaries

NETSVE

- Jul 2 Lorene Denson
- Jul 3 Emiliya Draney
- Jul 6 Rodney Glover
- Jul 7 Jonathan Mikita
- Jul 8 Carrie Ann Guy Jul 15 - Linda Hendrix
- Jul 15 Linda Hend Jul 16 – LD Meier
- Jul 17 Harry and Polly Mikita
- Jul 17 Bryan Hlatki
- Jul 17 Haylee Schulte
- Jul 17 Hannah Schulte
- Jul 18 Brooklyn Billmire
- Jul 19 Grady Leithead
- Jul 19 Evie Stevens
- Jul 20 Ernie and Jeanie Mikita
- Jul 21 Whitney Tunink
- Jul 22 Luke Meier
- Jul 22 Bill and Rachel Stevens
- Jul 23 Marcellus Rozdilski
- Jul 27 Brayden Glover

### SERVICES

Prayers for Rain - 7:00 AM (29th) Great Vespers - 5:00 PM (1st) Divine Liturgy - 9:30 AM (2nd)

**WISDOM** 

Hell can't be made attractive. So the devil makes attractive the road that leads there.

- St. Basil the Great

### **Confessions Every Saturday After Vespers or By Appointment**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Restrictions on Services**

We are still limiting the attendence in services based on proper distancing, however after a careful study of our space, its been determined that we can effectively have up to 40 inside the church with every other pew empty. This number is only the case with estimated familes that live together (as they don't have to be 6 feet apart.) If we exceed 40, all of those who come after will have to watch the service either from their cars on phones/tablets, online at home (coming to the Church for Communion), or in the Hall on the TV. For those attending, everyone must wear masks, practice proper distancing, wash their hands, and take tempatures at home prior to coming. If you are over the age of 65, you are allowed to come to services, however you are also encouraged to stay home and watch online.

### **Slavic Fest**

This year's Slavic Fest will be a little different than past years. We cannot have our normal event but we are working on an alternative option that will allow us to still sell food and baked goods. We will be having a special semi-informal annual meeting in 2 weeks on August 16th after Liturgy to discuss our options. Everyone is encouraged to come and discuss their ideas. We will have a tentative plan ready as well for discussion. If you have any ideas you'd like to suggest, please speak to Fr. Stephen or any parish council member.

### 115th Anniversary

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we still cannot have any kind of social gatherings. We will instead have a calmer event this year by simply celebrating the Divine Liturgy on Saturday the 15th at 9:30 AM. Fr. Anthony will be joining us. Let's make every effort to attend if we are able. The TV will be setup for the stream.

### Father's Back

Leaving, at any time is always stressful to a priest and his family; so whenever he can leave and not worry, makes for extra gratitude to be given to everyone in our parish. Thank you.

### **Holy Communion**

An important part of the pastoral work of the priest is to bring Holy Communion to those who are sick or part of our extended flock. Fr. Stephen is honored and very pleased ALSO to bring Holy Communion to those in our parish that are not coming to church right now for health reasons. Or we can arrange for them to come to the Church on Sunday afternoon or some other day to receive Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament. Please do not hesitate to ask about this. It's important that our faithful are nourished by the Holy Mysteries, especially during these difficult times.

### Bryan Hlatki's Address

Bryan is now in a more permanent location for the next few years and with everything happening with Covid, I'm sure he'd love to hear from everyone. If you'd like to send him something, his address is below:

EOCR Hlatki Bryan 618 4th St. Williamsburg VA 23185

Once school starts up again, we will have our youth put together a fun care package for him as well.