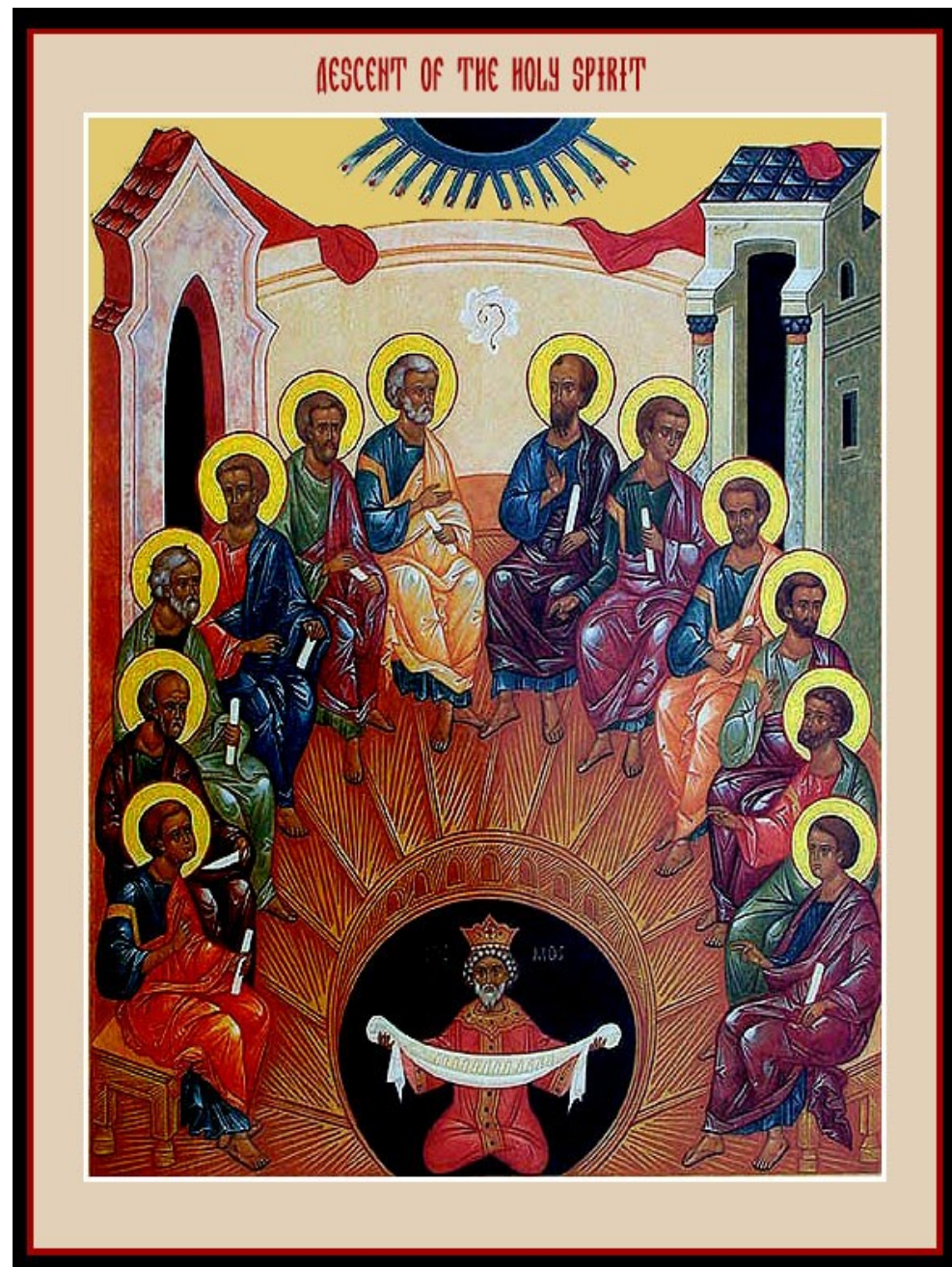


“In the icon of Pentecost, the composition is not closed, but open at the top and the bottom. It is elongated toward the top, toward its pinnacle, or more exactly toward the absence of an earthly, visible pinnacle. The assembly of apostles remains open to what is indicated by the symbol of the sky, of the divine world whose rays descend on them. The rows of apostles are not closed below either; they are open to all. The Church is not limited to the circle of the apostles, nor to the apostate in general, nor to the hierarchy.”

-- The Incarnate God, Vol. II, p. 209

“This icon is more than a purely historical picture. ...The gathering, then, is a representation of the Church. The Apostles are seated in a semi-circle, representing a unity and harmony similar to that found in icons of the Holy Trinity. As in icons of the Holy Trinity, a semi-circle rather than a full circle, is used so that we as observers are drawn into the unity.”

-- “Pentecost Icon as an Icon of the Church”  
([iconreader.wordpress.com](http://iconreader.wordpress.com))



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JUNE 23, 2024

## **HOLY PENTECOST EIGHTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA**

*Feast of the Holy Trinity*

*Martyr Agrippina of Rome; Righteous Artemius of Verkol'sk;  
Martyrs Eustochius, Gaius, Probus, Lollius, and Urban, of Ancyra;  
Meeting of the Vladimir Icon of the Most-Holy Theotokos*

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, Tone VIII

Blessed are You, O Christ our God. You have revealed the fishermen as most wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit. Through them You drew the world into Your net, O Lover of Man, glory to You!

Troparion, Tone VIII

TODAY'S EPISTLE: ACTS 2:1-11

TODAY'S GOSPEL: JOHN 7:37-52; 8:12

### **HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:**

Monday, June 24	9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy - <b>Holy Spirit Day</b>
Tuesday, June 25	6:00 p.m. Akathist to the Mother of God Tikhvin Icon
Friday, June 28	7:00 p.m. Vespers <b>at St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church</b>
Saturday, June 29	9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy - <b>Feast of Saints Peter and Paul</b>
	5:00 p.m. Vespers

### **WELCOME GUESTS!**

We are very glad you have come to worship the Holy Trinity with us this morning! Please participate in the services at your comfort level. Our greeters will kindly assist you with whatever questions or needs you may have. During each Sunday service we offer Holy Communion. If you are a practicing Orthodox Christian and have come prepared to receive Christ's Body and Blood through fasting and prayer, please come forward to partake. All guests are invited to come forward at the end of the service to greet Fr. Christopher and receive the blessed bread. Please stay after the Divine Liturgy for coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall so we can get to know you better!

Families with children: we encourage children of all ages to be present and participate as they are able during worship. We know sometimes kids need a break, so please take good advantage of our Rest and Refocus Room located on the south side of the lobby/narthex when coming in the main entrance. If you have pre-school and school age children, we invite you to send them to Church School directly after the Divine Liturgy throughout the academic year. May God bless you!

**Daily Scripture Readings** can be found in the St. Tikhon's Wall Calendar or at [www.oca.org/readings](http://www.oca.org/readings).

**THIS IS A FAST-FREE WEEK.**

**COMING EVENTS**

**JUNE:**

23, TODAY Pentecost Luncheon  
24, Monday Holy Spirit Day potluck following the 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy  
25-26 Pilgrimage to Chicago for feast of Tikhvin Icon of the Mother of God

**JULY:**

9-11 Parish Development Forum  
15, Monday St. Herman House Gold Classic at Elyria Country Club  
25-27 HTOC Rummage Sale & Food Extravaganza

**STS. PETER AND PAUL FEAST DAY:**

We are invited to celebrate Sts. Peter and Paul feast day with Cleveland area parishes at St. Paul’s Church in North Royalton. A Vespers service will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, June 28.

**DIRECTORY PHOTOS:**

If you were unable to have your photo taken at church, please submit a high-resolution photo to Matushka Jen (jenlewis82@hotmail.com).

**HOLY SPIRIT DAY:**

On Monday, 6/24, we will have Divine Liturgy at 9:30 a.m., followed by an Outdoor Potluck. Use this QR code to link to the sign-up form; or let Fr. Chris know you will attend.



**CHURCH SCHOOL:**

The new academic year will be here before we know it—if you’re interested in being part of the Sunday School team, let us know now! The team is in need of teachers and an event coordinator. Please contact Fr. Chris so we can get you plugged in to the program!

**RUMMAGE SALE, JULY 25, 26, 27:**

We continue to collect donations for our Sale; items can be brought to the Hall on Saturdays and Sundays, and this week on Wednesday, 6/26 and Friday 6/28. The last date for item drop-off is July 21. If you can help with set-up and pricing, please see Rita Bellack or Becky Spak. Plan on donating your time the week of the sale as well!

**GOLF OUTING:**

The St. Herman House Golf Classic is July 15 at Elyria Country Club. This is the largest fundraiser of the year for St. Herman House, and your support is needed. Even if you do not golf, you can volunteer, sponsor a hole or become a Benefactor. There is also an online auction July 7-15: [www.32auctions.com/SaintHerman2024](http://www.32auctions.com/SaintHerman2024) See the bulletin board for details. Golf registration brochures are available in the Fellowship Hall.

**PARISH DEVELOPMENT FORUM:**

Registration is now open for the 2024 Forum, hosted at Archangel Michael Church, beginning Tuesday, July 9, 1:00 p.m., through noon on Thursday, July 11. It is a conference for discussion of timely topics and practices for Orthodox parishes. Registration is \$160, but there is a \$50 discount until June 24. Go to: [www.oca.org](http://www.oca.org)

**ST. VLADIMIR’S CAMP:**

Camp at St. Vladimir’s is approaching! For more info and to register, go to: [stvladimirscamp.com](http://stvladimirscamp.com)  
Session 1: June 30-July 6. Younger campers, ages 8-12.  
Session 2: July 7-13. Junior Olympics, ages 10-17 (going into 5th grade-12th grade)  
Session 3: July 14-20. Older campers, ages 13-17.

Our Diocese also offers scholarships for Orthodox summer camps. Use this QR code for the online application.



**TRINITARIAN COVERS AND FLOWERS:**

The covers and flowers today are offered by Judy Howe in blessed memory of Andrew and Rosalind Yankovich.

**THE GIFTS WE OFFER TO THE LORD WE LOVE**

REGULAR COLLECTION, 6/16/2024	\$ 4957.00
CAPITAL CAMPAIGNS	937.00
CANDLES	421.00
FOR ST. HERMAN’S HOUSE	50.00
FOR PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY BOOKS	650.00
SECOND SUNDAY FOOD SALE	505.00
COFFEE HOUR	303.00

Dear Brothers and Sisters of Holy Trinity Orthodox Church,

Blessed Feast of the Descent of the Holy Spirit!

It is with great joy that we celebrate today our parish feast, Holy Pentecost, especially as we are marking our 60th anniversary year since our community was established. Holy Trinity Orthodox Church in Parma, Ohio has been and continues to be a gathering of loving people committed to the worship of our God, revealed to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the Holy Trinity; committed to following the commandments of our Lord; and committed to loving and caring for one another as God's children and inheritance.

We give thanks to our faithful priests, Fr Vladimir Berzonsky and Fr Alexander Garklavs, who have guided our parish and shepherded us for so many years. We give thanks to our attached priests over the years who have provided prayers, words of wisdom, and comfort. We give thanks to deacons, Pdn Anthony Kall, Dn Edward Reta, Dn George Virosteck, and likely others whom I have yet to learn of who have not only lifted up their voices in liturgy but also served us in so many various ways both before and after their ordinations. We give thanks to choir members, subdeacons, readers, altar servers, who have helped us in lifting up our hearts to the Lord. We give thanks to parish council members and their commitment as lay leaders to guide our community into all godliness and sanctity. We give thanks to all who have helped with church school, guiding up our children in the way they should go. We give thanks to all who have helped in various ways in church events, preparing meals, organizing and cleaning, planning, cooperating, all of you who have put in countless hours for the building up of the faithful in this place. We give thanks to all who have worked so hard to beautify and maintain our church grounds and facilities for God's glory. We give thanks to God for all who have given so much of their time, talent, and treasure out of the blessings that God has bestowed even for the immensely beautiful temple we have which is a great treasure. We give thanks to all who have gone before us and departed this life, as we hold them in blessed memory and seek to follow their Christ-like examples.

And most of all, we give thanks to God for establishing and keeping this vine which he has planted: sustaining us as his flock through both challenges and many blessings.

We have great hope and expectation of what God will continue to do in our midst! What a special privilege to have our main feast be Pentecost, the day of the birth of the church, the day of empowering God's people to do his work, the day to proclaim the message of salvation to the world. It is my prayer that we will be steadfast in taking up the great commission of Christ and the mission of our church to make new disciples and to build up existing disciples. We have a great treasure in Orthodox Christianity an ancient faith and a beautiful way of life that others must hear about and experience. May the Holy Spirit descend on us anew and bring new life that fills this place and radiates into the world around us!

On this, our 60th anniversary and feast day, may God grant each one of you many years and blessings!

With love in Christ,  
Fr Christopher