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### HOLY PENTECOST

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11

St. George of Sophia

Gospel: John 7:37-52, 8:12

Tone: For the Feast Day

### THE EPISTLE

Prokeimenon: Their voice has gone out into all the earth.  
The heavens declare the glory of God.

The reading is from The Acts of the Apostles.

WHEN THE DAY of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

### THE EUCHARISTIC OFFERINGS

The Holy Oblations are offered at the offertory of the Great Entrance for the health and welfare of those living members, and for those departed this life of the Mandalakis and Allen families.

The Maaya family offers the Coffee Reception. We ask our parishioners NOT TO WAIT to sign up for offering the Coffee Reception; this is a vital part of our parish life! The Chart is posted in the "Coffee Room" and the items needed are both in that room and on our web site (see our web page address above). The Coffee Reception does not need to be "fancy;" just "Coffee'n." See Barbara DiNovi or Sandy Eliopoulos for information, but please take your turn, perhaps with another family.

### PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Today is PENTECOST SUNDAY. Pentecost is celebrated 50 days after Pascha, 10 days after the Ascension of the Lord. On that day we commemorate the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Disciples and Apostles, as they gathered in the "Upper Room" where they earlier shared the Mystical Supper (today celebrated as the Holy Eucharist). It is on that day when we kneel for the first time since Holy Pascha, and call upon the Holy Spirit to "descend upon us," and to bless the Body of Christ, the Church. The special prayers are said at the end of Liturgy. Although the three

"kneeling prayers" are really part of Vespers, here at St. Anthony's we have isolated the prayers appropriately, which does indeed shorten the service considerably. But please do listen carefully to the beautiful meaning of these "kneeling prayers."

2. Since Pentecost is a Great Feast, nothing is chanted for the normal Sunday, i.e. for the Resurrection, but for the Holy Spirit. Also the week following Pentecost Sunday is "Fast-Free."
3. **Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>** is RECOGNITION SUNDAY for our Church School. Parents, Grandparents and family should be present, not only to honor the students who have completed their year successfully, but we also will recognize Nike Bach and her staff and teachers for their dedication in teaching the Faith to our children. MANY YEARS,
4. **The Second Annual Don DiNovi Memorial Golf Outing** at White Beeches Country Club in Haworth, NJ will be held on June 12<sup>th</sup>. You do not have to be a golfer; there are various other ways to participate. (See further opportunities in *The Desert News*.) All profits go toward Camp Scholarships in honor of Don's deep commitment to the camp and our children's experience there. Please see Ed Assile and Jim Watkins for further information.
5. June 28-July 1<sup>st</sup>, the **Parish Life Conference** will be held at the Antiochian Village in Pennsylvania. Plan to be present and represent St. Anthony's. Throughout our region their Women's Guilds, Christian Education, Choirs and Teen Fellowship will represent the various parishes. All are invited to the Hierarchical Liturgy there on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
6. Please take a moment to notice what looks like a new Baptismal Font! St. Anthony's has a unique font, which can be found in no other Orthodox Church. After so many years (60+) the time came for repair, and it came back in the beautiful condition, which you see before you. Thank you to the committee, which was appointed by the Parish Council.
7. **SUMMER SCHEDULE, 2018**
  - A. Sunday, June 3 – regular Liturgy followed by a Memorial Service for Sylvia Betesh (5 years).
  - B. **The Parish Council** meeting for the month of June is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 PM. This is the last PC meeting until the Fall.
  - C. **Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, RECOGNITION SUNDAY**
  - D. **Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, Regular Liturgy**
  - E. **June 28-July 1<sup>st</sup> – Parish Life Conference** at the Antiochian Village with Hierarchical Liturgy, July 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - F. **Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup> – Regular Liturgy**
  - G. **Sunday, July 15 – Regular Liturgy**
  - H. **July 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, the Clergy Symposium** at the Antiochian Village for all clergy of the Antiochian Archdiocese
  - I. **July 22<sup>nd</sup> – Regular Liturgy**
  - J. **July 29<sup>th</sup> – Regular Liturgy**
  - K. **August 5<sup>th</sup> – Regular Liturgy**
  - L. **August 12<sup>th</sup> – Regular Liturgy**
  - M. **August 19<sup>th</sup> – Regular Liturgy**
  - N. **August 26<sup>th</sup>-September 8<sup>th</sup> – Antiochian House of Studies** at the Antiochian Villag
8. Please see Father Michael to volunteer your time at Bergen Street Fest. We have plenty of 2-hour time slots that need to be staffed across both Saturday and Sunday, September 15-16. Try your hand at something new. The Setup and Takedown teams, Bakery, Admission Gates, Beer Garden, and the Kids Zone all need plenty of help. Please see Father Michael today to sign up!  
**Bergen Street Fest** – Planning meeting will be held in the Jabara Room on **Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup>** after liturgy.
9. Parents are asked to register their children for church school, Toddlers through Grade 7. Forms are available in the church school. Teachers are also needed. Please speak to Nike Bach for more information.