

HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

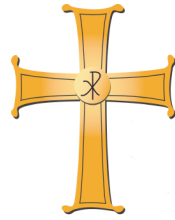
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Pentecost Sunday

Κυριακή τῆς Πεντηκοστῆς

Tone: Of the Feast, Eothinon: Of the Feast

Readings of the Day: Acts 2:1-11 and John 7:37-52, 8:12

On this Eighth Sunday after Pascha we celebrate the feast of Holy Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles.

Τῇ ἡμέρᾳ αὐτῇ ἐορτάζομεν τὴν Ἁγίαν Πεντηκοστὴν ὅτε τὸ Ἅγιον Πνεῦμα ἐπεφύτησεν ἐπὶ τοὺς Ἁγίους Ἀποστόλους.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors worshipping with us today. We invite all of you to join us for the coffee hour at the end of the Divine Liturgy in the Parish Life Center (the hall) next to the Church.

Καλωσορίζουμε στην Εκκλησία μας όλους τούς επισκέπτες. Σας προσκαλούμε γιά καφέ στήν αίθουσα δεξιῶσεων που ευρίσκεται δίπλα στο ναό.

OUR SERVICES TODAY

Today, after the end of the Divine Liturgy, we will hold the Service of Vespers of the Holy Spirit (the Kneeling Service), when the prayers for the descent of the Holy Spirit will be read over the people. Let us surrender to the Lord and receive the power of the Holy Spirit.

During this week (including Wednesday and Friday) we may eat all things - NO FASTING.

Hymn of the Feast: Blessed are You, O Christ our God, who made fishermen all-wise, sending upon them the Holy Spirit and, through them, drawing the world. O Loving One, glory to You.

The descent of the Holy Spirit

The many nations saw strange things in the city of David when the Holy Spirit descended in fiery tongues as the inspired Luke recounted. For he says: "They were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And all began to speak in other tongues, other doctrines, other teachings, of the Holy Spirit. "



Hymns of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit has always been, is now and ever shall be, having neither beginning nor end, but one with the Father and the Son: life and lifegiving; goodness itself and source of goodness, through Whom the Father is made known and the Son is glorified, and is known by all: one power, one unity, one worship, of the Holy Trinity.

The Holy Spirit, light and life, and living fountain of reason. Spirit of wisdom, Spirit of understanding, of goodness and honesty, intelligence and sovereignty, expiating sins. God who deifies; fire deriving from fire, speaking, acting, meting out gifts; through Whom the prophets all and God's apostles together with the martyrs were crowned. Different sounds, a different sight: fire divided into gifts of grace.

The Doxastikon, Sixth tone

Heavenly King, Comforter, the Spirit of truth, everywhere present and filling all things, Treasury of blessings and Giver of Life, come and dwell in us; cleanse us of every stain and save our souls, gracious One.

A Summer Blessing: For those traveling on vacation, or seeking cooler places in Northern lands, may the Lord be with you to protect you and bring you back again safe and sound.

Fr. Panayiotis & Fr. George

Μετεμορφώθης ἐν τῷ ὄρει, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, δείξας τοῖς μαθηταῖς σου, τήν δόξαν σου, καθὼς ἠδύναντο· λάμπσον καί ἡμῖν τοῖς ἁμαρτωλοῖς, τό φῶς σου τό αἶδιον, πρεσβείες τῆς Θεοτόκου· φωτοδότα δόξα σοι.

Metemorfóthis en to óri, Hristé o Theós, díxas tis Mathités sou, tin dóxan sou kathós idínanto; lampson ke imín tis amartolís, to fos sou to aídion, presvías tis Theotókou, Fotodóta dóxa si.

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to your Disciples, your glory as far as they could understand; Shine upon us sinners, as well, your everlasting light, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to you.