

Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council Postfeast Ascension

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*Acts 20:16-18, 28-36  
John 17:1-13*

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*Homily by
Fr. Marc Dunaway*

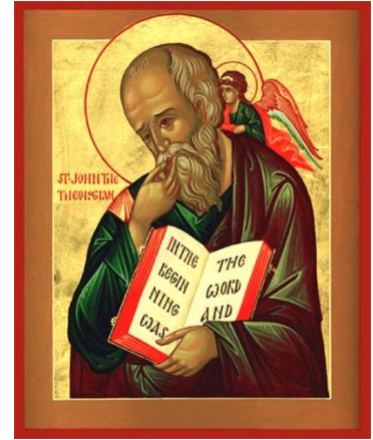
*Epistle Reader:
Russell Clodfelter*

*Coffee Hour Hosts:
Stogsdill / Stevens*

St. John Orthodox Cathedral

Weekly Bulletin

*Sunday, May 28, 2023
And the Days Following*



O Apostle John, speaker of Deity, the beloved of Christ our God, hasten to deliver your people powerless in speech, for He on Whose bosom you lean accepts you as an intercessor. Beseech Him, therefore, to disperse the darkness of ignorance and pray for peace and great mercies to be shown upon us.

Feast Days and Services

Baptisms and Chrismations Next Sunday, June 4, Pentecost

On Pentecost Sunday we will baptize five children and chrismate four adult catechumens. These will be Derick and Hannah Hanna and their two sons Ronan Isaiah and Riley James, and Brent Davisson and his three sons, Logan, Wyatt, and Oscar. We will also receive Peggy Taylor through Chrismation. A day of celebration for our Cathedral Parish.



**Next Sunday - Pentecost Sunday – June 4
Kneeling Service Sunday Eve at 6:15pm**

Parish Events and News

Important Notes About Outdoor Coffee Hour

1. Bring snacks in disposable containers or prepackaged or wrapped items. (The kitchen will not be available to store trays of food or wash dishes.) Items can be put in Narthex closet. **2.** Only pouring rain will cancel coffee hour outside. **3.** Hosts: Supplies will be kept in bins in the closet in the nave. **4.** Steve Templeton will be getting the coffee from Jitters. Thank you! Steve. For questions about outdoor coffee hour, contact Jennifer Gillquist (907)632-1064, preferably by text. Let's enjoy the outdoor season!



Coffee Hour - May 28, 2023 Group D - Fourth Sunday of the Month

Hosts Families: Stogsdill / Stevens

Snacks: Alexander, Arvidson, Clodfelter, Dougherty, Dunaway, Dyal, Fletes, Haines, Hightower, B & M Johnson, Jones, Kies, Lamb, Mee, Moses, Palmer, Parker, Ray, Snider, Stogsdill, Terrell, Webster

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*Next Sunday – Group A – June 4, 2023 Hosts: Cook / Mellor*

Snacks: Abel, Baker, Cook, Davis, Dozier, Gillquist Families, Haley, Hoxie, Jenkins, Justus, Lindblom, Macalino, Mellor, Northey, O'Fallon, Patras, Sorensen, Stallman, Templeton, Tysver, VanDewater, Wells, Zink

*Dear fellow parishioners of Saint John's,*

*May 25, 2023*



I have been in contact with Catholic Social Services and they have asked if our Cathedral can help a refugee family from Ukraine by providing them with temporary housing from June 15 – August 30. The war in Ukraine has caused hundreds of thousands of people to be displaced from their homes. Ukrainians have been welcomed in dozens of countries, states and cities over the last year. The opportunity has arisen now for St. Johns to host nine refugees, using our resources as a community. We will be privileged to welcome three adults (mom, dad & grandma) as well as six children into our community and offer a temporary living situation while they find a permanent house here in Alaska. I have submitted a plan to Fr. Marc and the Parish Council for them to live in the Maranatha house (downstairs, Deacons Room, Bishops Apartment).

Currently, they are living in Anchorage and being helped by Catholic Social Services. The parents are both employed and have cars. The grandmother helps care for the children, ages 9-15. They are self-sufficient and have very few needs outside of housing. It is a chance for our St. John's community to once again exercise our hospitality and Christian love.

Please look for more information in next week's bulletin on how to help. The goal is to make a small team of parishioners to organize to make them feel welcome and help with possible needs that will arise. Stay tuned for more information in the next few weeks. Let us pray for peace in Ukraine and thank God for the opportunity to live the Gospel by our actions.

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*"....I was a stranger and you welcomed me in." - Mathew 25:35*





## Work Begins on Remodel of Cathedral Basement with Carpet Removal

### Needed: Notes & Reflections from Pascha Feast Coordinators

"I am collecting notes and reflections from the Pascha feast coordinators to update the Pascha feast notebook for future years. Please turn in your reflections to Anna Potts' church mailbox if you lead a team. Thanks!" — Anna Potts



### St. John's Summer Youth Corps Begins Tuesday, June 6 Applications are Due Sunday, May 28

You can be part of a long tradition that takes pride in the upkeep of St. John's campus while making money and gaining work experience. More information and applications are available online at [www.stjohnalaska.org/youth-corps](http://www.stjohnalaska.org/youth-corps)

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## St. James House Weekly News



### Memorial Day Potluck – Monday, May 29 at 4pm

The Saint James House is hosting a Memorial Day Potluck  
BYO side dish and something to grill. Hope to see you there!

—Eric & Hannah Johnson

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## Dates to Remember



### Thursday Reading Group

The Thursday Readers will meet at JoAnn Webster's home at 10am.

## Birthdays This Week

May 31 - Sarah Baker  
June 3 - Bruce Johnson

June 4 - Mateo Dunaway



M A N Y Y E A R S !



## *Anniversaries*

Dn. Joseph & Denise Ray - May 28, 1983 (40 yrs.)  
Myles & Maris Kelly - June 1, 1975

*M A N Y   Y E A R S !*



## *Remembering in Prayer...*

|                                                         |                           |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Janet Hawi</i>                                       | <i>Al Zink</i>            |
| <i>Gwyn Jones</i>                                       | <i>Eloise Lamb</i>        |
| <i>Preston Collier</i>                                  | <i>Margaret Grasse</i>    |
| <i>Jan Northey</i>                                      | <i>Kh. Sally Howell</i>   |
| <i>Tisha Dunham</i>                                     | <i>Gordon Hoyt</i>        |
| <i>Lina Curry</i>                                       | <i>Fr. Michael Molloy</i> |
| <i>Gale Armstrong</i>                                   |                           |
| <i>Alecia Meese and children (Gwyn Jones' Daughter)</i> |                           |

## *Remembering Those Who Have Fallen Asleep This Month*



- \* Infant - Lazarus Frizelle - 5/1/2008
- \* Abner Picon - 5/1/2016
- \* Presbyter Garland Peters 5/6/1979

*M E M O R Y   E T E R N A L !*

## *Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month*

For the Month of **JUNE** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:  
**Saturday, June 24.** Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.



### **“Checking In” with Each Other**

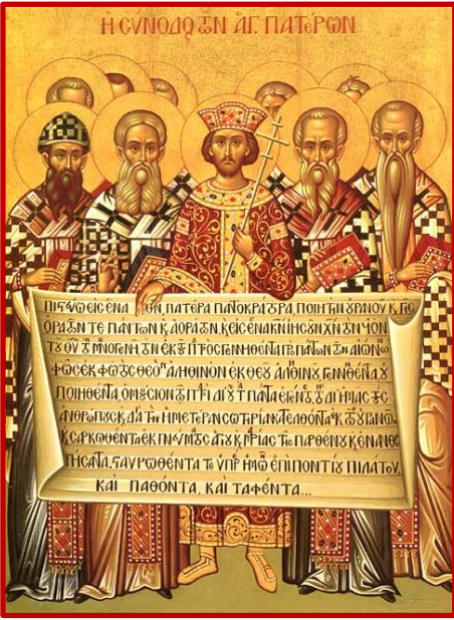
Is there something you'd like to share? Please email [stjohnalaska@aol.com](mailto:stjohnalaska@aol.com)

### **Wanting to Purchase**

George and Stina Dozier are looking to purchase a used gas-powered push lawnmower. If you know of one, contact them at 907-691-4166.

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## THE SYNAXARION



On May 28 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Hieromartyr Eutychios, bishop of Melitene; Martyr Heliconis of Thessalonica; Venerable Andrew of Constantinople, fool-for-Christ; Germanos, bishop of Paris; and Ignatius the wonderworker, bishop of Rostov.

On this day, the sixth Sunday after Pascha, we celebrate the first Ecumenical Council of the 318 God-bearing Fathers, which took place in Nicaea in Bithynia.

### **Verses**

*O light-bearing stars of the spiritual firmament,  
enlighten my mind with your rays.*

### **Verses Against Arius**

*Calling the Son a stranger to the Father's essence,  
Arius proved to be a stranger to God's glory.*

Arius, the notorious heretic, began to blaspheme against God and His Son the Word, saying that the latter was not God consubstantial with the Father, but that He was created as a stranger to the Substance of the Father and His glory. Alexander, the Archbishop of Alexandria, tried to constrain Arius from disturbing the faithful with this teaching; even though Alexander excommunicated him, Arius did not cease his blasphemy, which spread throughout the Church in all nations. Thus, Emperor Constantine the Great called the First Ecumenical Council, which gathered bishops and teachers in the Church from all lands. They all proclaimed, as with one mouth, the equality of the Son of God with the Father in essence, thus laying down the noble Confession of Faith—"The Nicene Creed"—which we Orthodox Christians recite to this day. The Church regards these divine Fathers as preachers of the Faith next to the holy Apostles. By the intercessions of the 318 God-bearing Fathers, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

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### **Bulletin Announcement Guidelines**

Send announcements to church email address: [stjohnalaska@aol.com](mailto:stjohnalaska@aol.com). Have announcements submitted by Thursday or at very latest Friday 9am. If you have any questions regarding announcements – contact Maris Kelly at the church office. 907-696-2002.

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