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Sunday, May 21, 2023

Sunday of the Fathers of Nicea I

Commemoration of the Holy & Glorious Sovereigns, the Equals of the Apostles Constantine & Helena

Troparion after the Great Doxology: When you rose from the tomb and broke the fetters of Hades, you abolished the sentence of death, O Lord, and thus delivered all men from the snares of the enemy. Appearing to the apostles, you sent them out to preach, and through them, bestowed your peace upon the world: O you who alone are full of mercy!

ANTIPHON PRAYER O Lord, who are good beyond description, we ask you through the intercession of your All-pure Mother and the Holy Fathers who participated in the Ecumenical Councils, to support the Church, uphold the faith and make us all partake of your heavenly Kingdom, when you come to judge the whole creation. For you are the way, the truth and the life, O Christ God, and we render glory, to you and to your Eternal Father and your All-holy, Good and Life-giving Spirit, now and forever and to ages of ages. Amen.

ANTIPHON OF THE ASCENSION (p. 103-104)

C: All you peoples, clap your hands: shout to God with cries of gladness.

All: O Son of God, who ascended in glory to Heaven, save us who sing to You. Alleluia!

C: For the Lord, the Most High, the Awesome One, is the great King over all the earth.

All: O Son of God, who ascended in glory to Heaven, save us who sing to You. Alleluia!

C: He brings peoples under us, nations under our feet.

All: O Son of God, who ascended in glory to Heaven, save us who sing to You. Alleluia!

C: Glory be.... now and ever...

All: O Only-begotten Son...

ENTRANCE HYMN: God ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid trumpet blasts.

All: O Son of God, who gloriously ascended into heaven...

HYMNS

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 6) (p.26): The angelic powers were around Your tomb... ,

Troparion of the Ascension (Tone 4) (p. 105)

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through Your blessing they were confirmed in their belief that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world.

Troparion of the Fathers (Tone 8): O Christ our God, you are infinitely glorified, for you established our Fathers as radiant stars on earth: you led us to the true faith through them. O Most Merciful One, glory to you!

Troparion of Sts. Constantine and Helen (Tone 8)

O Lord, your disciple, Emperor Constantine, who saw in the sky the sign of your Cross, accepted the call that came straight from you, as it happened to Paul, and not from any man. He built his capital and entrusted it to

your care. Preserve our country in everlasting peace, through the intercession of the Mother of God, for you alone are the Lover of Mankind.

Kontakion of the Ascension (Tone 6) (p. 106) After fulfilling for us your plan of redemption...

PROKIMENON: Ps. 18:5,2 (Tone 8)

Through all the earth, their voice resounds, and to the ends of the world their message.

Stichon: The heavens declare God’s glory, and the firmament proclaims the work of his hands.

EPISTLE: Acts 26:1; 12-20. (Reader: Mary Hajj)

ALLELUIA: Ps 88:20-22

I have exalted one chosen out of my people. I have found David my servant and anointed him with holy chrism.

Stichon: For my hand shall support him, and my arm shall make him strong.

GOSPEL: John. 17:1-13

HIRMOS: (5th Tone): O you who have given birth in time to the One whom no limit of time can hold, You thus have become the Mother of God in a manner beyond understanding and beyond words: we the faithful magnify you in one mind.

KINONIKON (p. 65): Praise the Lord...

AFTER COMMUNION: The Troparion of the Ascension (p. 105)

THE DIVINE LITURGY WILL BE OFFERED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF: ✠ ELIZABETH HARDIMAN (FR. THOMAS & KHOURIA JOANNE) ✠ THOMAS J. DAVIS, SR. (FR. THOMAS & KHOURIA JOANNE); **AND FOR THE HEALTH AND SALVATION OF SOPHIA DAVIS (25TH BIRTHDAY) (FR. THOMAS & KHOURIA JOANNE); FREDRICK GUY (62ND BIRTHDAY) (FR. THOMAS & KHOURIA JOANNE)**

Sunday, May 28, 2023 – Pentecost Sunday

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11 (Reader: Nabil Takla) Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12

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The parish is looking for an office staff/administrative assistant. This is a paid part time position (20 hours per week). If you are anyone you know is interested, please speak with Fr. Tom.

Finance Council Meeting: Tuesday, May 22nd @ 6:00 pm in the living room outside the parish office.

Sunday Collections:

4/23/2023 Reg: \$1,075 Home Miss: \$178	4/30/2023 Reg: \$746	5/7/2023 Reg: \$1,327 Fuel/Elec: \$310	5/14/2023 To be provided next week
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