

New Guidelines

We, at Holy Spirit Orthodox Church, are following the new Guidelines for Parish Life now that updated recommendations have been issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and many of the Covid-19 restrictions have been either relaxed or removed. Please read the attached ***Guidelines for the Diocese of New York and New Jersey, On the Continuing Re-Opening of Our Churches, Missions, and Chapels (For Churches in the State of New Jersey)***, issued by Archbishop Michael.

We pray for our entire church family and those who do not have a family or church family, and our special prayers are for the sick and suffering:

The Archpriests Samuel and Joseph, the priest Gregory, Matushka Ellen, Emily Anastasia, Nadine Olsen, Marianna, Sophia Eptamenitis, Edward, Taisa, Konstance & Elaine Engelsman, Maria Higginbotham, Valentina Bobrowski, Anna Konoleva, Erika Dobrzynski, Marie Biancarelli, Joshua and Daniel Buccieri, Emma Matthews, Stephanie, Kristy, Victor Szemetylo, Helen, Bonnie Shaffner and Helen Schweizer. Amen!!!

*** To amend the prayer list, speak with Mary Osinski***



[Holy Pentecost](#)



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“Jesus tells us that His holy Disciples will be more courageous and more understanding when they would be, as the Scripture says, Endowed with power from on high (Luke 24:49), and that when their minds would be illuminated by the torch of the Spirit they would be able to see into all things, even though no longer able to question Him bodily present among them. The Saviour does not say that they would no longer as before need the light of His guidance, but that when they received His Spirit, when He was dwelling in their hearts, they would not be wanting in any good thing, and their minds would be filled with most perfect knowledge.”

St. Cyril of Alexandria

HOLY PENTECOST - In the Church’s annual liturgical cycle, Pentecost is “the last and great day.” It is the celebration by the Church of the coming of the Holy Spirit as the end—the achievement and fulfillment—of the entire history of salvation. For the same reason, however, it is also the celebration of the beginning: it is the “birthday” of the Church as the presence among us of the Holy Spirit, of the new life in Christ, of grace, knowledge, adoption to God and holiness. This double meaning and double joy is revealed to us, first of all, in the very name of the feast. Pentecost in Greek means fifty, and in the sacred biblical symbolism of numbers, the number fifty symbolizes both the fullness of time and that which is beyond time: the Kingdom of God itself. It symbolizes the fullness of time by its first component: 49, which is the fullness of seven (7 x 7): the number of time. And, it symbolizes that which is beyond time by its second component: 49 + 1, this one being the new day, the “day without evening” of God’s eternal Kingdom. With the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Christ’s disciples, the time of salvation, the Divine work of redemption has been completed, the fullness revealed, all gifts bestowed: it belongs to us now to “appropriate” these gifts, to be that which we have become in Christ: participants and citizens of His Kingdom.

Service Schedule

Great Vespers: 5 pm Saturdays

Hours: 9:40am Sundays

Divine Liturgy: 10:00am Sundays

Confessions: Will be heard every Saturday evening after Vespers or by appointment.

Call, text or email Father Michael at (848)228-1563 or holyspiritwantagenj@gmail.com

Monthly calendar at www.HolySpiritOrthodox.org

Dates to Remember

Sunday 20th of June 2021

HOLY PENTECOST – FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY

Divine Liturgy at 10 am

Kneeling Vespers – right after Divine Liturgy

Monday 21st of June 2021

DAY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Divine Liturgy with Archbishop Michael at 9 am

Saturday 26th of June 2021

Great Vespers at 5 pm

Sunday 27th of June 2021

Divine Liturgy at 10 am

Graduate Students Day

Saturday August 7th – Saturday August 14th

New Jersey State Fair

Announcements

Welcome!

Everyone is welcome and invited to visit and worship with us and experience the beauty of Vespers each Saturday at 5:00 pm and/or Divine Liturgy each Sunday at 10:00 am.

Thank you!

We are most thankful to the almighty GOD for his blessings and also to our parishioners, and friends of the parish, for their support and love of our church during the past difficult time. As we head towards summer and less threatened by *the virus*, you are welcome and needed to be back in church to worship with us at Vespers, Divine Liturgy or one of the feast days and share in the liturgical and fellowship life of the church. The parishioners of our church have projects and activities planned for this summer and you are welcome and ask that you plan to participate and volunteer in the available opportunities.

Archbishop Michael pastoral visitation, June 21st – Holy Spirit Day

Our Archbishop Michael will visit us on the name-day of our Parish, June 21st of 2021. Vladyka will serve with us and we are blessed to have our hierarch with us on this wonderful day. A light meal will follow the Divine Liturgy.

Fast-Free Week, June 20th – June 27th

This week is known as Trinity Week. During this week, we are not called to fast but to enjoy in the feast. Joyous Feast!

Let's celebrate our Graduates, June 27th

This year, on Sunday, June 27th, Holy Spirit Orthodox Church will honor all graduates. Please provide Father Michael via email with the name of your graduates and the school.

Mark your Calendar – NJ STATE FAIR – August 7th-14th:

Our church will once again participate in this event. Speak with Nadine Olsen and/or Mark Benda for more information and details. Your help is needed! There will be sign-up sheet at the coffee social.

Rectory Deck:

Thanks to Adrian Pawelko and Mark Benda, the rectory deck is completed and ready to be stained. We need a volunteers to stain the deck, please! See Father Michael for details.

Have an item for the bulletin?

Please email Father Michael at holyspiritwantagenj@gmail.com or Mary Osinski at mary.osinski@gmail.com