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SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS/SS CONSTANTINE AND HELENA

Sunday June 3, 2018

Hebrews 11:33-12:2, Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30

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Welcome! We welcome to our church this morning all visitors, guests, relatives, and friends of Saints Peter and Paul Church. We pray your visit with us is spiritually rewarding, holy and life-giving. Visit often!

Apostles' Fast begins Monday, June 4 (the day after Sunday of All Saints) and goes until the Feast of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul on July 12. This fast varies in length; this year it is about six weeks long. The traditional fasting regulations state that red meat, poultry, and dairy products are not allowed during the entire fasting period on all weekdays, Monday through Friday. Also, Fish, wine, and oil are allowed on all days except on Wednesdays and Fridays. The diocesan rules merely require the usual Wednesday/Friday fast. All are encouraged to do more than the minimum.

“Better a stupid and unlettered brother who, working the good things he knows, merits life in Heaven than one who though being distinguished for his learning in the Scriptures, or even holding the place of a doctor, lacks the bread of love.”

+ St. Bede the Venerable

Good Orthodox Practice

Upon entering the church, it is customary to make the sign of the cross, approach the icon on the tetrapod (or analogions in some parishes) with reverence and venerate the icon. Remember, only worship is given to God, but we honor the saints and ask their intercession on our behalf because they are already experiencing the portion of the heavenly kingdom. In worldly practice, when we enter someone's home, we greet them (in scriptures, with a kiss) and thank them for their hospitality. Even more should we be thankful to God for the gifts and blessings He gives us.

We will celebrate our high school graduates on June 10th. Congratulations to Ryan and Matthew. Please plan to join us after Liturgy for a luncheon.

“We must consider all evil things, even the passions which war against us, to be not our own, but of our enemy the devil. This is very important. You can only conquer a passion when you do not consider it as part of you.”

St. Nikon of Optina

Altar Boys Retreat – June 30th to July 3rd. See Fr. Matthew for details.

Young Women's Encounter July 1 to July 4th. Please encourage other girls ages 12-18 to go. This is the same time as the altar boys retreat. There is a flier downstairs with contact information.

Camp Nazareth info was e-mailed several weeks ago. Please see the flier downstairs. REGISTRATION FOR CAMP WILL ONLY BE ABLE TO BE DONE ONLINE THROUGH THE CAMP'S WEBSITE – CAMPNAZARETH.ORG.

The *Science and Nature Camp program* is open to all youngsters, 8–18. It runs from Sunday, August 5 through Saturday, August 12. The program offers insights into astronomy, biology, geology and meteorology. Presentations will be offered by officials from the Carnegie Science Center, the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, the Jennings Environmental Center and regional high school and college faculty. Leading the effort is His Grace Bishop Gregory, who had served as a cardiovascular biologist for 20 years in Charlotte, NC before entering the priesthood and now the episcopacy. Registration information for youngsters from your parish who would like to attend the Science and Nature camp can be downloaded at:

<http://www.campnazareth.org/science-camp>.

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