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FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS /MARTYR EMILIAN

Sunday July 31, 2016

Romans 12:6-14, Matt. 9: 1-8

Tropar and Kondak Tone 5 and page 164

We will have a Church Council meeting after the Liturgy today. All officers are asked to stay for the meeting. We will be reviewing the Sobor, the Hoodlebug, church projects, and the Stewardship information.

Thank you for all those who brought food in for the Love Basket pantry. You are truly doing God's work. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Today the children leave for Camp Nazareth. Please keep them in your prayers as they grow in the faith.

The mailings for the Sobor were sent out. The Sobor is in Johnstown from 10/9 to 10/12. The Sobor information is in the basement for your review. If anyone is interested in being a delegate, please see Fr. Matthew.

“Earthly life – this brief period - is given to man by the mercy of the Creator in order that man may use it for his salvation, that is for the restoration of himself from death to life.”

St Ignatius Brianchaninov

Birthdays – Donald Mester 7/30, Jakub Zias 8/2

“He who holds possessions as the gifts of God...and knows that what he possesses is for the sake of others is blessed by God and poor in spirit.”

St. Clement of Alexandria

**Ecumenical Councils** are extraordinary [synods](#) of [bishops](#) which primarily decide upon [dogmatic](#) formulations, especially in the face of [heresy](#). Secondly, they also issue [canonical legislation](#) which governs the administration of the Church. The canons of the Ecumenical Councils are regarded within the Orthodox Church as universally authoritative, though not in a strictly constructionist sense. Their canons have often been repealed or revised by the decisions of local synods or even of later Ecumenical Councils. Nevertheless, their legislation is central to the Orthodox canonical tradition, and appeals to such canons are more frequently made than to any other source of canonical legislation.

Confessions – 9:00 Sunday or arranged as needed.

The Dormition Fast is coming up soon, August 14th

Next week Pani has invited a few people to Liturgy and for an extended coffee hour to celebrate her 10<sup>th</sup> year as a Pani. Please congratulate her on achieving this milestone.

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