

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

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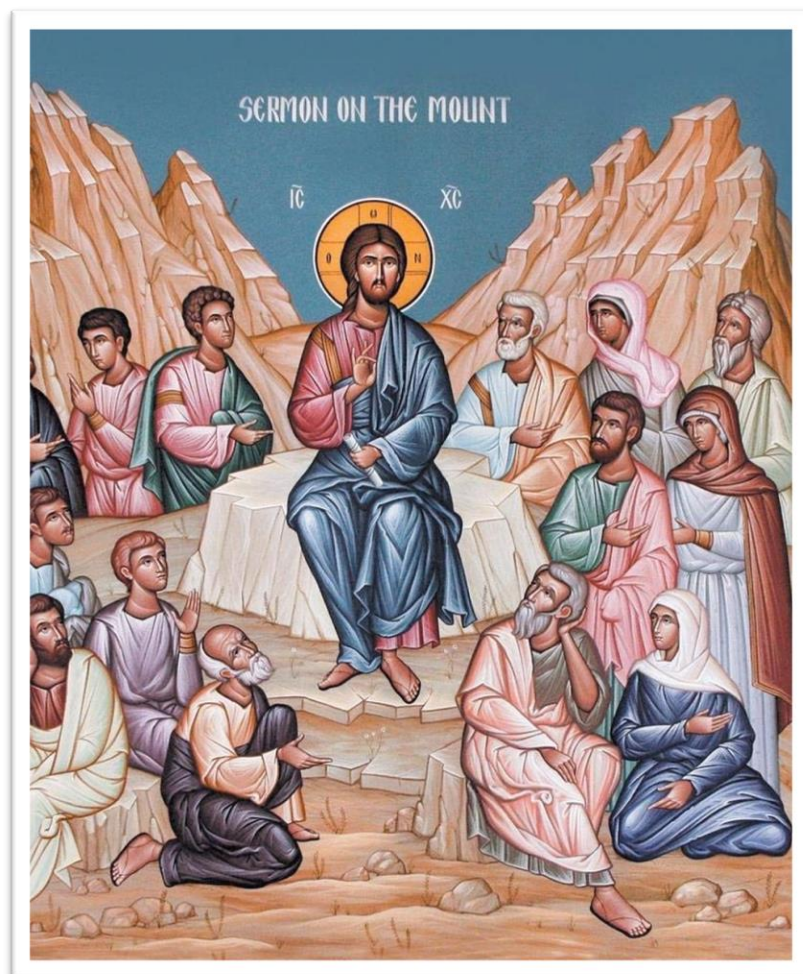
Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

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13 June 2021 / 7529 ~ 3rd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Our Holy Father Triphyllus, Bishop of Leucosia.
The Holy Martyr Aquilina.*



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. June 12 17:00 Vigil: **3rd Sunday after Pentecost** Suffrages for
+Christopher Davis – Joanne Krynicky

Sun. June 13 10:30 **3rd Sunday after Pentecost** Suffrages pro populo esp.
for +Rosemarie Macchiaroli – husband,
Antonio

Sat. June 19 17:00 Vigil: **4th Sunday after Pentecost** Suffrages for
+Agnes Osif – Tom & Ann Stroz

Sun. June 20 10:30 **4th Sunday after Pentecost** Suffrages pro populo

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06 / 06 / 2021 Adults: \$2673 Children: \$4
Candles: \$78 Holy Day: \$95 Cemetery: \$25
Peter's Pence: \$25 **TOTAL: \$2898**

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Today's Scripture readings speak of faith, which is "*the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen*" (Hebrews 11:1). The Epistle tells us, "*now that we have been justified through faith, let us have peace with God.*" In today's world we desperately

need peace: All over the world, and especially in our country, we see civil unrest, riots, disease, injustice, and death. Yet Saint Paul says that we Christians "*exult in tribulations.*" That's not to say that we are glad these terrible things are happening, but we rejoice because through them God works for the good: "*tribulation produces endurance, and endurance challenge, and challenge hope, and hope does not deceive, for God's love is poured forth in our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.*" By suffering, God makes us stronger, better people. Through the gift of faith, we have hope, we can be sure of God's love for us, and that He has a plan. God is taking care of us, and St Paul explains why we can be sure of this, saying that, though we would be hesitant to give our lives even for righteous men, Jesus gave His life for us, even though we are sinners!

The Gospel reading continues this theme, comparing us to birds and the flowers. Jesus says *"But if God so clothes the wildflowers of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more you, O you of little faith! Therefore do not be anxious."* Jesus is telling us to trust Him completely, not worrying about tomorrow. But this doesn't mean that we should do nothing. We should give ourselves over to God completely. In the last verse of today's gospel, Jesus says, *"seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."* In other words, if we seek God in all things and at all times, and we strive to do His will and follow His commandments, then He will take care of us and make sure that we have what we need. Jesus tells us that, to do this, we must make sure our spiritual eyes are healthy. We need to pray often, and look at God, and not at the chaos and evil in the world around us, lest we forget Him. If we do this, as Saint Paul tells us, we will have peace. But that doesn't mean we won't have trials and troubles, for trials and tribulations make us stronger!



~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

- **GOD WITH US ON-LINE: UNITY IS NOT UNIFORMITY The Development of the Apostolic Churches – Wednesday, June 30 @ 8 - 9 p.m. ET.** Why are there so many divisions in the Church when Jesus prayed that we would be one? Explore the original Biblical concept of what it means to be a Church, as well as the history of the development of the apostolic churches and the unique theological concepts that make us different. Register using the link below.

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VwinNkKyS3m3f4NX2i50DQ

- **CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE 2021: September 12th at 15:00 in St Elias Church, Munhall.**



Although it is still uncertain if the actual celebration can be held, couples, whose wedding anniversary is **10, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50 or additional years that are multiples of five**, are asked to submit their names by completing the form located in the Narthex. Specify exactly how you want your names to appear on the anniversary certificate. **Certificates are sent to all whether they are able to attend or not.** Those couples who celebrated their anniversary in 2020 are also welcome to attend the Divine Liturgy **in person**. Since you already received your certificate last year, the only information needed is whether or not you will be attending the Liturgy **in person**.