

✠ SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025 ✠ PENTECOST ✠

The reading is from he reading is from Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

WHEN THE DAY of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontos and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

Gospel According to John 7:37-52; 8:12 On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and proclaimed, "If any one thirst, let him come to me and drink. He who believes in me, as the scripture has said, 'Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, which those who believed in him were to receive; for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Is the Christ to come from Galilee? Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" So there was a division among the people over him. Some of them wanted to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him.

The officers then went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why did you not bring him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this man!" The Pharisees answered them, "Are you led astray, you also? Have any of the authorities or of the Pharisees believed in him? But this crowd, who do not know the law, are accursed." Nikodemus, who had gone to him before, and who was one of them, said to them, "Does our law judge a man without first giving him a hearing and learning what he does?" They replied, "Are you from Galilee too? Search and you will see that no prophet is to rise from Galilee." Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Altar flowers are sponsored in loving memory of John Kalakos by his family.
Communion wine is sponsored in loving memory of John Kalakos by his family.
Altar candles are sponsored in loving memory of John Kalakos by his family.
Coffee Hour is sponsored by Philoptochos.

THIS WEEK:

Monday, June 9	Monday of the Holy Spirit 7:00am Orthros/8am Divine Liturgy 9-9:30am Visitation for †Irene Kristakis/9:30am Funeral 11am-9pm Greek Festival
Tuesday, June 10	11am-9pm Greek Festival
Wednesday, June 11	11am-9pm Greek Festival
Thursday, June 12	11am-10pm Greek Festival
Friday, June 13	11am-9pm Greek Festival
Saturday, June 14	5pm Great Vespers


Following the Festival, the last church service in the Church Building will be on Father’s Day, Sunday, June 15. Beginning Monday, June 16 until the beginning of August, the Church Building will be CLOSED, and all services will be held in the Community Center due to the iconography installation.

2025 Vacation Church School


Monday, June 23 thru Friday, June 27 from 9am~Noon

High School students, parents, interested adults are needed to volunteer.
Nominal registration fee of \$20 per student; children age 3 years through entering 6th grade
Please register early so we can prepare nametags, snacks & crafts!
Use the QR code or form in May Crossroads.

This year’s theme is:



*Note date
change to **JUNE***



Did you know....

Since 2021, our costs for utilities, telephone, internet, maintenance, and insurance have increased by 134%!

In 2021, those combined expenses were approximately \$88,000; today, those EXACT same expenses equal a little under \$206,000.

If you haven't made a payment towards your annual stewardship, please do so today. If you need help working with Realm, need a link to access your login, or have any questions around church expenses, please reach out to Rachel (Parish Council Stewardship Chair) rgogos@gmail.com or 617.821.0102.

Come to the Monastery with your family!

Enjoy our home-made pastries, frappes & items made by the Sisters, available for purchase.

Become a part of completing a Monastery Church, a rare occurrence in America!
Donate for the Glory of God & the intercessions of His Holy Mother, The Theotokos.

Visitors should be modestly dressed for all visits to the Monastery.
Women are asked to wear long skirts & men to wear long pants, socks with sandals & shoes

Please RSVP so that the Monastery has adequate hospitality:

Email us: info@NativityoftheTheotokosMonastery.org OR Call us: (724) 352 - 3999

Visit our web site & browse our Online Gift Shop & place preliminary orders at our web site:
www.NativityoftheTheotokosMonastery.org

*Gerontissa Theophano and the Sisters warmly welcome you to the
Nativity of the Theotokos Greek Orthodox Monastery
Summer Feast Days*

31st Memorial Commemoration for Gerontissa Taxiarchia

August 2nd - Saturday

9:00 am: Hours, Divine Liturgy, Memorial Service - Lunch Follows

In 2014, on the 20th Anniversary of the repose of Gerontissa Taxiarchia,
we launched the capital campaign to build the new Monastery, something Gerontissa Taxiarchia greatly desired.
Since then, all proceeds commemorating our Holy Gerontissa have gone to the construction project.

We invite you to come and honor her by attending the
Memorial Commemoration and donating in her memory to
complete the new Church.



Prophet Elias Feast Day

July 18th - Friday
5:00 pm: Vespers, Orthros

July 19th - Saturday

9:00 am:
Hours, Divine Liturgy - Lunch Follows

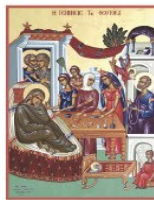


Nativity of the Theotokos Feast Day

September 5th - Friday
5:00 pm: Vespers, Orthros

September 6th - Saturday

9:00 am:
Hours, Divine Liturgy - Lunch Follows



Parishioners are invited to join the Landscaping Committee on an outing to the Mt. Lebanon Library Garden Tour on Sunday, June 22 after Divine Liturgy. We will meet at Coffee Hour at 12 noon and share rides.
Everyone should purchase their own ticket through the Mt. Lebanon Library website:
<https://mtlebanonlibrary.org/658/Annual-Garden-Tour>
Tickets are \$20 ahead/\$25 at door if any tickets are left.

HOLY CROSS GREEK FESTIVAL

Please text or email one of the chairs and thanks in advance OPA!

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Lunch food runners needed and
Lunch Volunteers at the food line.

Please contact Elaine Sofis,
esofis@comcast.net or
cell 412 327-7017 to help on the
Monday, Thursday and Friday
lunch food lines from 10:45am-
4:00pm. Food runners are also
needed everyday at Lunch from
10:00am-4:00 pm. Thank you!

**Help is needed cutting &
cupping pastries during
Food Fair!**
Please call/text
Jan Titonis 412.965.4536
to volunteer for a shift.
Any of your time is
greatly appreciated!