



The Saint Sava Serbian Orthodox Church Of McKeesport & Duquesne, Pa  
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**MAY 19<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Of PASCHA – Sunday Of The Paralytic – Tone 3**  
(Remembering the Righteous JOB, much-suffering & Transfer of the Relics Of St. Sava)

**Today's Epistle Reading:**

**EPISTLE:** ACTS 6: 1-7

**Today's Gospel Readings:**

**MATINS:** Lk. 24: 1-12/**LITURGY:** Mk 15: 43-16: 8

**Troparion:** “Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; for the Lord has shown strength with His mighty arm! He has trampled down death by death; He has become the first-born of the dead! He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted the world His Great Mercy!”

**Kontakion:** “By Thine divine intercession, O Lord, as Thou didst raise up the paralytic of old, so raise up my soul, paralyzed by sins and thoughtless acts; so that being saved I may sing to Thee: ‘Glory to Thy majesty, O Bountiful Christ!’”

**Spiritual Food:**

**Here are the Dates and Times for the Upcoming Focus Groups:**

- Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup> – 1 PM – Denise Englert's Home
- Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> – 7 PM – Mike Vranesevic's Home
- Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> – 7 PM – Lyle Washowich's Home

(If interested, Contact Michael Vranesevic to re

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## Today's Special Announcements and Upcoming Events For Our Parish:

**(1) TODAY:** Join us as we honor our Teachers and HS Graduates today!

**(1-A) THIS Wednesday:** Making Strudel for IV – 9 AM Church Hall!

**(2)** We will serve the 40-day Parastos for BOTH **+Nick Trbovic** and **+Mark Vojnovich** today after the Holy Liturgy – pray with us for their souls!

**(2-A) SPECIAL** “Early” Congratulations to our **George Rocknage**, celebrating his 93<sup>rd</sup> BD this coming Thursday! “Ziveli, I Mnogaja Ljeta!”

**(3) Please pray for the health and well-being of our following loved ones within our parish:**

Helen Trkula      Gary Popovich      Donna Moss-NH      Katie Repasky      Danijela Belo  
Ann Vunovic-NH      Beverly Stipanovich      Keith Bedell      Margaret Ivkovich  
Melva Buzzelli-NH      Protas Adam Yonitch      Protas Paul Lazor      Protas Joseph Cervo  
Helen Mochan      Vlade Baskot      Melva Dandrea      Matthew Schaffer      John Ratesic

**(4) Also pray for the souls of those fallen asleep in the Lord:**

+ Desa Bunovich    +Mark Vojnovich      +Nick Trbovic    +Stella Stipanovich    +Ann Suzich  
+Lucy Pcholinski    +Protas Dr. Filipovic , Den Pavichevich, St Stepanov/  
+Rastko Truhovich,/ +Vaso Sokolovic/Zvonko Kotorcevich    +Carl Magdic  
+Ray Moss      +Ann Cervo    +Helen Lia    +Alex Stipanovich    +Dan Ikach  
+Sophie Vranesevic    +Louise Zivkovich    +Mimi Pavlovich    +Nick Pilipovich  
+Kh. Stefanie Yazge    +Mika Rocknage    +Sharon Young    +Amy Pacura  
+Betty Perich    +Dorothy Shumkaroff    +George Medich    +Arlene Crnkovich    +Helen Medic

**(5) MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

- **THIS Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>:** Sts. Cyril and Methodius – 9:30AM Paschal Matins!

- **St. Cyril of White Lake Food Drive:** bring in donated goods – basket in foyer of Entrance!

- **Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Parastos For Departed Members of Vranesevic/Cheran Families!

**(6) THURSDAY, June 6<sup>th</sup>:** Ascension of our Lord – 9:30AM Festal Liturgy!

**(7) Have you signed up for our SUPPORT GROUPS yet** – we hope to begin them again in June, at Twin Oaks – so sign-up NOW!

## ICON FOR THE DAY OF MID-PENTECOST

**T**he unusual icon of our bulletin is termed the “Mid-Pentecost” image. Strangely enough, the idea of observing a Mid-Pentecost day is not new in the Church. There are traces of a festival that comes midway between Resurrection & Pentecost as far back as the 5th century.

We have here a rather unique picture of Christ as the GREAT TEACHER of mankind. The Gospel for the day tells of Jesus “going up into the temple” in the midst of the feast, and teaching. And so the icon shows a young Christ teaching a group of obviously mature and learned men, who seem somewhat surprised at the wisdom of their Mentor. The Lord is depicted with one hand in a gesture of making a point, while the other hand clutches a scroll.

Yes, the entire scene makes one think of a twelve-year-old Jesus in Jerusalem, without the Holy Virgin and Joseph. St. Luke tells of the incident: “After three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them & answering their questions.” What we have then, is a composite setting of Christ, Divine Wisdom, of deed and word, a profound teaching for every generation.

There is a need today for us to gather about the feet of Our Lord, as did Mary, the sister of Lazarus, “choosing the best part,” and listening to the instruction of the Master. Let this be our task as we await the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the feast of Pentecost, coming 50 days after the Lord’s Resurrection.