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6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 16, 2017

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Romans 12:6-14 (Epistle) Hebrews 13:7-16

John 17:1-13 Matthew 9:1-8 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship and fellowship. We are delighted to have visitors worship with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your participation in our services.

If you are without a spiritual home, please make **OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.**

A WARM WELCOME ✠ to Fr. Alexander KUČHTA and Matushka Natalie who are joining us for Liturgy this morning. This year Fr Alex will celebrate his 35 year Anniversary of his ordination:

✠ to Fr. Deacon James and Robin MARTH who are joining us for Liturgy this morning. Deacon James is attached to St. Justin Martyr Parish in Jacksonville FL, Diocese of the South, OCA.

TODAY * Fathers of the 1st Six Ecumenical Councils

9:40 am Hours

10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship with Refreshments

Memorial for Michael, Eva, Peter, Julia, Nicholas, Anna, Edward, Helen, Michael, Mary, Joseph, and Mary Evelyn of KON Family

Wednesday, July 19 * Prophet Elijah

6:30 pm Vespertal Liturgy

Saturday, July 22

5:00 pm Great Vespers

Sunday, July 23

9:40 am Hours

10:00 am Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship with Refreshments

Your Gifts Last Week

FELLOWSHIP HOUR Please check your schedule and see when you can take your turn! A sign up sheet is hanging up on the hall bulletin board for next months coffee hour rotation.

PASTORAL MINISTRY Call (815) 725-4742 or (630) 559-5785 to register as a parishioner, to initiate instruction in the Faith, to schedule sacraments, visitation, etc.

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS & RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP!!!

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SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, August 20 -- Annual Parish Picnic

Saturday, September 23 & Sunday, September 24 we will be celebrating our **110th Anniversary!!!**

MANY THANKS * LLAMAS family for hosting this mornings Fellowship.

* Mike & Alex BAKER for clearing out more space in the back of our Church Hall. They had to do some heavy lifting in order to open up the basement more, they moved 70 chairs & 8 tables to the garage. Likewise, Mike took the time to order and set up our new Bulletin Box located in front of our church, hopefully this will help us reach more people.

Today Picnic at Ss Peter & Paul UOC Ukrainian & American food, outside grill, music, inside / outside bar, plenty of activities for kids: pony rides, petting zoo, face painting, balloonists, etc. Cash raffle, basket raffle, bingo. The church is located at 8410 W 131st St, Palos Park, IL

PIZZA PARTY This coming Saturday, July 22nd, we will have a PIZZA PARTY for our Altar Boys after the evenings Vespers service.

Labor Day Weekend Family Retreat: Join other Orthodox families at the St. Iakovos Retreat Center in Wisconsin over Labor Day Weekend for a fun—filled time reconnecting with your family and reconnecting with God. Retreat leader Fr. Stephen Freeman, a priest, author, blogger and podcaster, will present workshops on the theme *Living the Mystery*. Children’s workshops will also be provided, as will childcare for babies. Find more information and register online at www.GOCFamilySynaxis.org or email Chicago.Family.Synaxis@gmail.com. Register by Aug. 18 for the best rate.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following people, who are in need of God’s healing and grace:

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| MaryAnn MAGERKO Tom KOMPARE Bob RADAKOVICH | Juliana MATUSIAK Nancy JOVANOVICH Nick COSTA | Goergia PATTEN |
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MANY YEARS... Happy Birthday to Israel LLAMAS (July 19) and Sammy PILEGGI (July 22).

May God grant all our celebrants Many Happy and Healthy Years!

Today Epistle (Romans 12:6-14)

Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

Today Gospel (Matthew 9:1-8)

He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city. Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you." And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, "This Man blasphemes!" But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins" – then He said to the paralytic, "Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." And he arose and departed to his house. Now when the multitudes saw it, they marveled and glorified God, who had given such power to men.

Апостол Дня (Римлянам 12:6-14)

Братия! И как, по данной нам благодати, имеем различные дарования, то, имеешь ли пророчество, пророчествуй по мере веры; имеешь ли служение, пребывай в служении; учитель ли, - в учении; увещатель ли, увещевай; раздаватель ли, раздавай в простоте; начальник ли, начальствуй с усердием; благотворитель ли, благотвори с радушием. Любовь да будет непритворна; отвращайтесь зла, прилепляйтесь к добру; будьте братолюбивы друг к другу с нежностью; в почтительности друг друга предупреждайте; в усердии не ослабевайте; духом пламенейте; Господу служите; утешайтесь надеждою; в скорби будьте терпеливы, в молитве постоянны; в нуждах святых принимайте участие; ревнуйте о странноприимстве. Благословляйте гонителей ваших; благословляйте, а не проклиняйте.

Евангелие Дня (Матфея 9:1-8)

Тогда Он, войдя в лодку, переправился обратно и прибыл в Свой город. И вот, принесли к Нему расслабленного, положенного на постели. И, видя Иисус веру их, сказал расслабленному: дерзай, чадо! прощаются тебе грехи твои. При сем некоторые из книжников сказали сами в себе: Он богохульствует. Иисус же, видя помышления их, сказал: для чего вы мыслите худое в сердцах ваших? ибо что легче сказать: прощаются тебе грехи, или сказать: встань и ходи? Но чтобы вы знали, что Сын Человеческий имеет власть на земле прощать грехи, - тогда говорит расслабленному: встань, возьми постель твою, и иди в дом твой. И он встал, взял постель свою и пошел в дом свой. Народ же, видев это, удивился и прославил Бога, давшего такую власть человекам.

FOR OVER 110 YEARS SAINT NICHOLAS CHURCH HAS BEEN SERVING THE ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN FAITHFUL IN JOLIET AND SURROUNDING AREAS.