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An icon of St. Michael the Archangel, depicted as a warrior with large, feathered wings, wearing a red and gold robe, and holding a sword. He has a halo around his head.

**Sunday May 31, 2020** 7th SUNDAY OF PASCHA –  
Tone 6. Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council.  
Afterfeast of Ascension. St. Apollonios (Apollo) of the  
Egyptian Thebaid (395). Apostle Hermas of the Seventy  
(1st c.). Martyr Hermias at Comana (2nd c.). Martyr  
Philosophus at Alexandria (3rd c.). Metropolitan  
Philotheos of Tobolsk, the Enlightener of Siberia (1727)

### **This Week's Online Schedule**

**Friday 6/5** Little Angels 10:00 a.m.

**Saturday 6/6** Vespers 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday 6/7** Pentecost Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

*\*Please Note all Services and Groups will meet Online\**

## Hymns and Prayers

### **Tone 6 Troparion**      *(Resurrection)*

The angelic powers were at Your tomb;  
the guards became as dead men.  
Mary stood by Your grave,  
seeking Your most pure body.  
You captured hell, not being tempted by it.  
You came to the Virgin, granting life.  
O Lord, Who rose from the dead, //  
glory to You.

### **Tone 4 Troparion**      *(Ascension)*

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God,  
granting joy to Your Disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit.  
Through the blessing, they were assured  
that You are the Son of God, //  
the Redeemer of the world.

### **Tone 8 Troparion**      *(Fathers)*

You are most glorious, O Christ our God!  
You have established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth.  
Through them You have guided us to the true Faith. //  
O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

### **Tone 8 Kontakion**      *(Fathers)*

The Apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrines have established one  
Faith for the Church.  
Adorned with the robe of truth, woven from heavenly theology, //  
It defines and glorifies the great mystery of piety.

### **Tone 6 Kontakion**      *(Ascension)*

When You had fulfilled the dispensation for our sake,  
and united earth to heaven:  
You ascended in glory, O Christ our God,  
not being parted from those who love You,  
but remaining with them and crying: //

“I am with you, and there is no one against you!”

**Tone 4 Prokeimenon** (*Song of the Three Children*)

Blessed are You, O Lord God of our fathers, / and praised and glorified is Your name forever! (*Song of the Three Holy Children*, v. 3)

v: *For You are just in all that You have done for us!* (v. 4)

**Epistle** Acts 20:16-18, 28-36

*For Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he would not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hurrying to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the Day of Pentecost.*

*From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called for the elders of the church. And when they had come to him, he said to them: “You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you, Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.*

*For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock.*

*Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves.*

*Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears.*

*So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.*

*I have coveted no one’s silver or gold or apparel.*

*Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me.*

*I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”*

*And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all.*

**Tone 1**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v: The Lord, the God of gods, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. (Ps 49/50:1)*

*v: Gather to Me My venerable ones, who made a covenant with Me by sacrifice! (Ps 49/50:5)*

### **Gospel John 17:1-13**

*Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: “Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You,*

*as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him.*

*And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.*

*I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do.*

*And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.*

*I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word.*

*Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You.*

*For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me.*

*I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours.*

*And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are.*

*While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.*

*But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.*

***(Instead of “It is truly meet ...,” we sing:)***

Magnify, O my soul, Christ the Giver of Life, Who has ascended from earth to heaven!

We magnify you, O Mother of God, who beyond reason and understanding gave birth in time to the Timeless One.

### **Communion Hymn**

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*)  
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! (*Ps 32/33:1*)  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### ***This Week's Announcements***

***Update on St. Michael's Liturgical Life*** The Holy Synod of Bishops has offered guidelines and requirements for the re-opening of our parishes. The parish council has from a sub-committee that will organize and implement St. Michael's re-opening. There is a lot to do in preparation for re-opening, we ask your patience and understanding. All services will still be streamed online. Please look to your email or our parish web site for ongoing updates.

***Re-opening Committee*** We were unable to finalize our plans for re-opening this week. We hope to have our final, blessed Phase One plan for you this week. Please be patient as things seem to change daily. Our plan will include a details for all. It will include the scenario about 30 people at a time to attend Divine Liturgy. We are looking to Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup> as opening date for Liturgy. In the meantime, we will still be serving the Divine Liturgy on Sundays with our skeleton crew. Even though we are still streaming only, we pray that we will continue to bring our liturgical life back to a more normal rhythm. The committee will continue to discuss our plans this week. Please continue to pray for and support our committee as they face these challenging decisions.

***Little Angels & Church School*** Our Little Angels & Church School Groups will also meet online during this time. Please check your emails for Meeting times.

## ***Wisdom from the Holy Fathers***

*"This, in short, is the difference between us and others who know not God, that in misfortune they complain and murmur, while adversity does not call us away from the truth of virtue and faith, but strengthens us by its suffering."*

- St. Cyprian of Carthage (200-258 AD)

*"The Christian must stand upon the various sorrows and temptations like an anvil, which - even though it is hammered upon constantly - does not move from its place, nor does it get ruined, but stays firm, [as firm as it was in the beginning]."*

- St. Ephraim the Syrian

***Prayers for the Departed:*** Fr. Jozef Petranin, Barbara Hicks, Peter Melnik, David Rex

***Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:*** Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Daniel Kovalak, Fr. John Nightingale, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Lemlem Resat, Olga Riley, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, , Stephanie Hojnicki, Laura Cristina Najemy, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Albert Shock, Elizabeth Melnik, Alexandra Grishin, Sam Sylvest, Jamie Clause, Paula Flynn, Paula Daubert

***Prayers for Catechmens*** Kristin Mackenzie, Edward Jones. Cole McElmurry, Sean & Jennifer Vojaisek

## ***Upcoming Dates to Keep in Mind***

Pentecost Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup>

Ss. Peter & Paul Fast June 15-29<sup>th</sup>