

PARISH OUTING TO THE MALLARD'S GAME, JULY 8th: Our parish is going to be having an outing to the Madison Mallards Game on Tuesday, July 8th first pitch is at 6:05 p.m. We will be in the reserved Duck Blind Section and we will have 2 options for tickets. Both are all you can eat and drink. The All you can eat with Soda is \$37 and the All you can eat with beer is \$49. Children 5 and under are free and do not need a ticket. I hope to see you all there. See Flier for more details and the link to purchase Tickets. [CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY - Please help the needy and bring non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry. Canned vegetables and fruits, pasta, baby food, canned meals, peanut butter and jelly, pasta sauce, cereal, canned soup, etc. We are always so fortunate and thankful that we have generous parishioners. We are able to feed many of those in need, with your help.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: Before making any firm plans for baptisms, weddings, funerals, or memorial services, please check with Fr. Christodoulos to see if dates and times are permissible. Also, please refrain from scheduling a baby, bridal shower or any other type of party celebration during a fasting period

PARISH FAMILY OUTING JUNE 17TH 6 - 8 p.m.: We will be going Mini golfing at Vitense Mini Golf located at 5501 Schroeder Road, Madison, WI 53711. Tickets are available to purchase at the event. Join us for what is sure to be a fun night of mini golf and fellowship.

COMMUNION ANNOUNCEMENT: While we pray and work for the reconciliation and unity of all the world's Christians, the reality remains that there is still no intercommunion between our Orthodox Churches and the Churches of the West. This means that only baptized, chrismated and observant Orthodox faithful receive Communion in our churches. At the same time, we warmly welcome all non-Orthodox to join us in prayer and celebration, and humbly offer to all present the Antidoro bread of fellowship at the end of the service. We offer this important symbol 'instead of the Gifts', in the words of the Apostle Paul, 'Till we all come to the unity of the Faith' (Eph. 4.13).

NEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT DRIVE: As a community we have always tried and succeeded in taking care of and upgrading our Sanctuary and facilities. We the spirit of continuously improving our church. We are beginning a long term Capital Improvement Fund Drive. We are looking at 3 particular future projects. These are the Broken Sewer pipe in our back parking lot, Replacing and upgrading our current church sound system and remodeling our kitchen. The months ahead we will be formally setting up a Capital Improvement Fund Drive Committee who will spearhead the entire process. We ask everyone to consider this in future giving, funeral memorials and in planned giving. If you are interested in giving a donation for the Capital Fund please put "Capital Improvement Fund Drive" on the memo line of the check or mark it on the envelope. Together we can get these projects finished.

PLEASE don't leave your weekly bulletin in the pew. Take it home with you and share the message and announcements, written here, with your family and friends. Thank You!

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Sunday, June 8th, 2025
Pentecost
Saint Kalliope the Martyr
Saint Melania the Righteous

Readings:
Epistle: Acts 2: 1-11
Gospel: John 7: 37-52; 8: 12

Coffee Hour
THIS WEEK AT ASSUMPTION
Saturday, June 14th, 2025
Russian Mission
+Sacrament

Fr. Christodoulou's Office hours are: Tuesday - Friday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

PENTECOST SUNDAY: “Pentecost” is the Greek word for “fifty” and names the Feast falling on the 50th day after Easter. The day commemorates the events described in the Epistle reading for the Feast, the descent of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, Who is everywhere present and fills all things.

Following the Divine Liturgy today, all Orthodox Christians take part in the beautiful service known as the “Service of Kneeling.” The priest reads three beautiful prayers about the miracle of Pentecost. During each prayer the entire congregation kneels and prays also. It is during this time we pray very hard that the power of the Holy Spirit will enter our hearts also and give us spiritual strength to live our lives according to the will of God. Let the Holy Spirit enter your heart today, for this is the true meaning of Pentecost.

THE FEAST DAY OF PENTECOST: Today we celebrate Pentecost. Orthros begin at 8:30 a.m. and Divine Liturgy at 9:45 a.m. The Kneeling Vespers will take place immediately following the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. This is a very holy day and it should be filled with worship and praise to God for all His blessings and for the gift of the Holy Spirit that He bestowed upon us all at the birth of our Holy Orthodox Church.

2ND ANNUAL AHEPA SOUVLAKI 4TH OF JULY SALE: Our AHEPA once again this year will be cooking Souvlaki on the 4th of July to raise money. They will be made and grilled fresh so consider stopping by and picking some up for your 4th of July festivities. Cost is \$2 each, 3 for \$5, 6 for \$10 or an even dozen for \$20. For more details see Nico Fatsis 608-251-7112.

GREEKFEST MEETING JUNE, 22nd: There will be a Greek Fest Meeting following Liturgy on Sunday, June 22nd, 2025.

STEWARDSHIP NOTE: The 2025 Church Membership list is growing. However there are still many of our community, who have not made their financial commitment to the church. Remember church membership begins in January not when we paid last. If everyone would pay their membership on time and on a yearly basis, our parish would not need gimmicks such as raffles, picnics, etc. to raise funds to do God’s work and preach His Word in this world. **YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOUR** – please pledge and pay your 2025 stewardship today!

visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God.”

Ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ἰωάννην ἁγίου Εὐαγγελίου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῇ ἐσχάτῃ ἡμέρᾳ τῇ μεγάλῃ τῆς εορτῆς εἰστήκει ὁ Ἰησοῦς καὶ ἔκραξε λέγων· ἐάν τις διψᾷ, ἐρχέσθω πρὸς με καὶ πινέτω. ὁ πιστεύων εἰς ἐμέ, καθὼς εἶπεν ἡ γραφή, ποταμοὶ ἐκ τῆς κοιλίας αὐτοῦ ρεῦσουσιν ὕδατος ζῶντος. τοῦτο δὲ εἶπε περὶ τοῦ Πνεύματος οὗ ἔμελλον λαμβάνειν οἱ πιστεύοντες εἰς αὐτόν· οὐπω γὰρ ἦν Πνεῦμα Ἅγιον, ὅτι Ἰησοῦς οὐδέπω ἐδοξάσθη. Πολλοὶ οὖν ἐκ τοῦ ὄχλου ἀκούσαντες τὸν λόγον ἔλεγον· οὗτός ἐστιν ἀληθῶς ὁ προφήτης· ἄλλοι ἔλεγον· οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ Χριστός· ἄλλοι ἔλεγον· μὴ γὰρ ἐκ τῆς Γαλιλαίας ὁ Χριστὸς ἔρχεται; οὐχὶ ἡ γραφή εἶπεν ὅτι ἐκ τοῦ σπέρματος Δαυὶδ καὶ ἀπὸ Βηθλεὲμ τῆς κώμης, ὅπου ἦν Δαυὶδ, ὁ Χριστὸς ἔρχεται; σχίσμα οὖν ἐν τῷ ὄχλῳ ἐγένετο δι’ αὐτόν. τινὲς δὲ ᾔθελον ἐξ αὐτῶν πιάσαι αὐτόν, ἀλλ’ οὐδεὶς ἐπέβαλεν ἐπ’ αὐτόν τὰς χεῖρας. Ἦλθον οὖν οἱ ὑπηρέται πρὸς τοὺς ἀρχιερεῖς καὶ Φαρισαίους, καὶ εἶπον αὐτοῖς ἐκεῖνοι· διατί οὐκ ἠγάγετε αὐτόν; ἀπεκρίθησαν οἱ ὑπηρέται· οὐδέποτε οὕτως ἐλάλησεν ἄνθρωπος, ὥς οὗτος ὁ ἄνθρωπος. ἀπεκρίθησαν οὖν αὐτοῖς οἱ Φαρισαῖοι· μὴ καὶ ὑμεῖς πεπλάνησθε; μὴ τις ἐκ τῶν ἀρχόντων ἐπίστευσεν εἰς αὐτόν ἢ ἐκ τῶν Φαρισαίων; ἀλλ’ ὁ ὄχλος οὗτος ὁ μὴ γινώσκων τὸν νόμον ἐπικατάρτατοι εἰσι! λέγει Νικόδημος πρὸς αὐτούς, ὁ ἐλθὼν νυκτὸς πρὸς αὐτόν, εἷς ὢν ἐξ αὐτῶν· μὴ ὁ νόμος ἡμῶν κρίνει τὸν ἄνθρωπον, ἐὰν μὴ ἀκούσῃ παρ’ αὐτοῦ πρότερον καὶ γνῶ τί ποιεῖ; ἀπεκρίθησαν καὶ εἶπον αὐτῷ· μὴ καὶ σὺ ἐκ τῆς Γαλιλαίας εἶ; ἐρεύνησον καὶ ἴδε ὅτι προφήτης ἐκ τῆς Γαλιλαίας οὐκ ἐγγήγερται. Πάλιν οὖν αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐλάλησε λέγων· ἐγὼ εἰμι τὸ φῶς τοῦ κόσμου· ὁ ἀκολουθῶν ἐμοὶ οὐ μὴ περιπατήσει ἐν τῇ σκοτίᾳ, ἀλλ’ ἔξει τὸ φῶς τῆς ζωῆς.

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to John

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 Holy 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 priest 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.”

Hymn of Pentecost

Ἦχος πλ δ

Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ πανσόφους τοὺς ἄλκις ἀναδείξας, κατὰ πέμψας αὐτοῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν τὴν οἰκουμένην σαγηνεύσας, Φιλάνθρωπε, δόξα σοι.

Plagal of the 4th

Blessed are You, O Christ our God. You sent down the Holy Spirit into the fishermen, and You gave them knowledge and wisdom in everything; and through them, as in a net You caught the whole world. O Lord who loves humanity, glory to You!

Kontakion

Ἦχος πλ δ

Ὅτε καταβὰς τὰς γλώσσας συνέχεε, διεμέριζεν ἔθνη ὁ Ὑψιστος· ὅτε τοῦ πυρὸς τὰς γλώσσας διένειμεν, εἰς ἐνότητα πάντας ἐκάλεσε· καὶ συμφώνως δοξάζομεν τὸ Πανάγιον Πνεῦμα.

Mode Plagal of the 4th

When the Most High God came down and confused the tongues, * He divided the nations. * When He distributed the tongues of fire, * He called all to unity. * And with one voice we glorify the all-holy Spirit.

Πράξεων τῶν Ἀποστόλων τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἐν τῷ συμπληροῦσθαι τὴν ἡμέραν τῆς πεντηκοστῆς ἦσαν ἅπαντες ὁμοθυμαδὸν ἐπὶ τὸ αὐτό, καὶ ἐγένετο ἄφνω ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ ἦχος ὥσπερ φερομένης πνοῆς βιαίας, καὶ ἐπλήρωσεν ὅλον τὸν οἶκον οὗ ἦσαν καθήμενοι· καὶ ὥφθησαν αὐτοῖς διαμεριζόμεναι γλώσσαι ὥσει πυρὸς, ἐκάθισέ τε ἐφ' ἓνα ἕκαστον αὐτῶν, καὶ ἐπλήσθησαν ἅπαντες Πνεύματος Ἁγίου, καὶ ἤρξαντο λαλεῖν ἐτέραις γλώσσαις καθὼς τὸ Πνεῦμα ἐδίδου αὐτοῖς ἀποφθέγγεσθαι. Ἦσαν δὲ ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ κατοικοῦντες Ἰουδαῖοι, ἄνδρες εὐλαβεῖς ἀπὸ παντὸς ἔθνους τῶν ὑπὸ τὸν οὐρανόν· γενομένης δὲ τῆς φωνῆς ταύτης συνῆλθε τὸ πλῆθος καὶ συνεχύθη, ὅτι ἤκουον εἰς ἕκαστος τῇ ἰδίᾳ διαλέκτῳ λαλούντων αὐτῶν. ἐξίσταντο δὲ πάντες καὶ ἐθαύμαζον λέγοντες πρὸς ἀλλήλους· οὐκ ἰδοὺ πάντες οὗτοί εἰσιν οἱ λαλοῦντες Γαλιλαῖοι; καὶ πῶς ἡμεῖς ἀκούομεν ἕκαστος τῇ ἰδίᾳ διαλέκτῳ ἡμῶν ἐν ᾗ ἐγεννήθημεν, Πάρθοι καὶ Μῆδοι καὶ Ἑλαμίται, καὶ οἱ κατοικοῦντες τὴν Μεσοποταμίαν, Ἰουδαίαν τε καὶ Καπαδοκίαν, Πόντον καὶ τὴν Ἀσίαν, Φρυγίαν τε καὶ Παμφυλίαν, Αἴγυπτον καὶ τὰ μέρη τῆς Λιβύης τῆς κατὰ Κυρήνην, καὶ οἱ ἐπιδημοῦντες Ῥωμαῖοι, Ἰουδαῖοι τε καὶ προσήλυτοι, Κρήτες καὶ Ἀραβες, ἀκούομεν λαλούντων αὐτῶν ταῖς ἡμετέραις γλώσσαις τὰ μεγαλεῖα τοῦ Θεοῦ;

The reading is from Acts

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, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and

THE DIRECTION OF MY LIFE: An extremely important question for all of us is: Where am I going? What is the direction of my life? What road am I following? Where does this road lead? Will it take me where I want to go? Would I like to spend eternity there?

Jesus talked much about the direction of his life. For example, when He says, "Thou shalt," or "Thou shalt not," He is pointing us to a direction in life. When He says, "This do and you shall live," or "Follow me," or I am the Way," He is pointing us to what ought to be the direction and purpose of life.

In the sermon on the Mount, He said, "You have heard that it has been said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy, but I say to you, love your enemies." In other words, the direction of our life – the purpose – should be toward loving people.

On the night He instituted the Lord's Supper, the disciples were quarreling among themselves about who should be the greatest among them. And so the Master girded Himself with a towel and washed their feet. Then He said to them, "He that is greatest among you shall be your servant." In other words, the direction of our life should be toward serving. How well we see this when we hear Jesus saying, "as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to Me. I was sick and you visited me. I was hungry and you fed Me..."

The direction of my life should be toward serving others, toward daily repentance, toward giving, toward prayer, toward Church, toward a closer, more personal relationship with God. If it is, then the future for us will be as bright as the promises of God.

FROM THE FATHERS: He, therefore, who sets himself to act evilly and yet wishes others to be silent, is a witness against himself, for he wishes himself to be loved more than the truth, which he does not wish to be defended against himself. There is, of course, no man who so lives as not sometimes to sin, but he wishes truth to be loved more than himself, who wills to be spared by no one against the truth. Wherefore, Peter willingly accepted the rebuke of Paul; David willingly hearkened to the reproof of a subject. For good rulers who pay no regard to self-love, take as homage to their humility the free and sincere words of subjects. But in this regard the office of ruling must be tempered with such great art of moderation, that the minds of subjects, when demonstrating themselves capable of taking right views in some matters, are given freedom of expression, but freedom that does not issue into pride, otherwise, when liberty of speech is granted too generously, the humility of their own lives will be lost.

– St. Gregory the Great

CHUCKLE: A five-year-old boy was very interested in motorcycles. Whenever he saw one, he would cry out, "Look at that! Look at that! I'm going to get a motorcycle someday." His father's answer was always the same, "Not as long as I'm alive, you won't." One day, while the boy was talking with a friend, a brand new stylish bike zoomed by. He excitedly pointed it out to his friend and exclaimed, "Look at that! Look at that! I'm getting one of those – as soon as my dad dies."

FIVE WAYS TO WELCOME VISITORS ON SUNDAY:

1. Smile and be friendly.
2. Greet them.
3. Introduce yourself by name and ask theirs.
4. Invite them to our coffee fellowship.
5. Ask them to return again for worship.



Assumption Greek Orthodox Church

Tuesday, July 8th

First Pitch: 6:05 PM - Gates Open One Hour Prior

[CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS!](#)

Deadline to get tickets is one week prior to the event!

An usher will provide you a wristband at the Duck Blind entrance. Signage will be placed on the tables reserved for your group.

YOUR TICKET PACKAGE
Busch Light Duck Blind
Reserved Tables



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The Duck Pond at Warner Park 2920 N Sherman Ave, Madison, WI 53704 608-246-4277

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OCT 4-6, 2024	Fall Camp
NOV 22-24, 2024	High School Girls Retreat
DEC 30, 2024	Reunion Dance at Ascension of Our Lord
JAN 17-20, 2025	Winter Camp
MAR 22, 2025	Lenten Retreat Locations TBD
JUN 15-21, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 1
JUN 21-28, 2025	Lighthouse
JUN 22-28, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 2
JUN 29-JUL 5, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 3
JUL 6-12, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 4
JUL 13-19, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 5



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JULY 11-13

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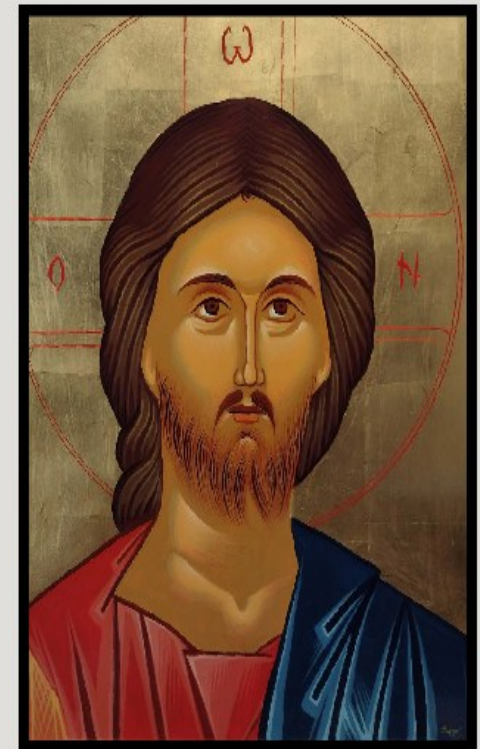
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class to create an icon
using Byzantine technique.

No previous experience
necessary. All materials
included. Each participant
will complete their own
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Workshop Hours

Fri. July 11 5 PM -- 8 PM
Sat. July 12 9 AM -- 5 PM
Sun. July 13 1 PM -- 5 PM



Register by June 15!

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GREEK FEST+ 2025

Save the Date

Saturday, September 6th*

11:00-7:00

(*Rain date: Sunday, 9/7)

**Great
Food!**

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For more info on
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