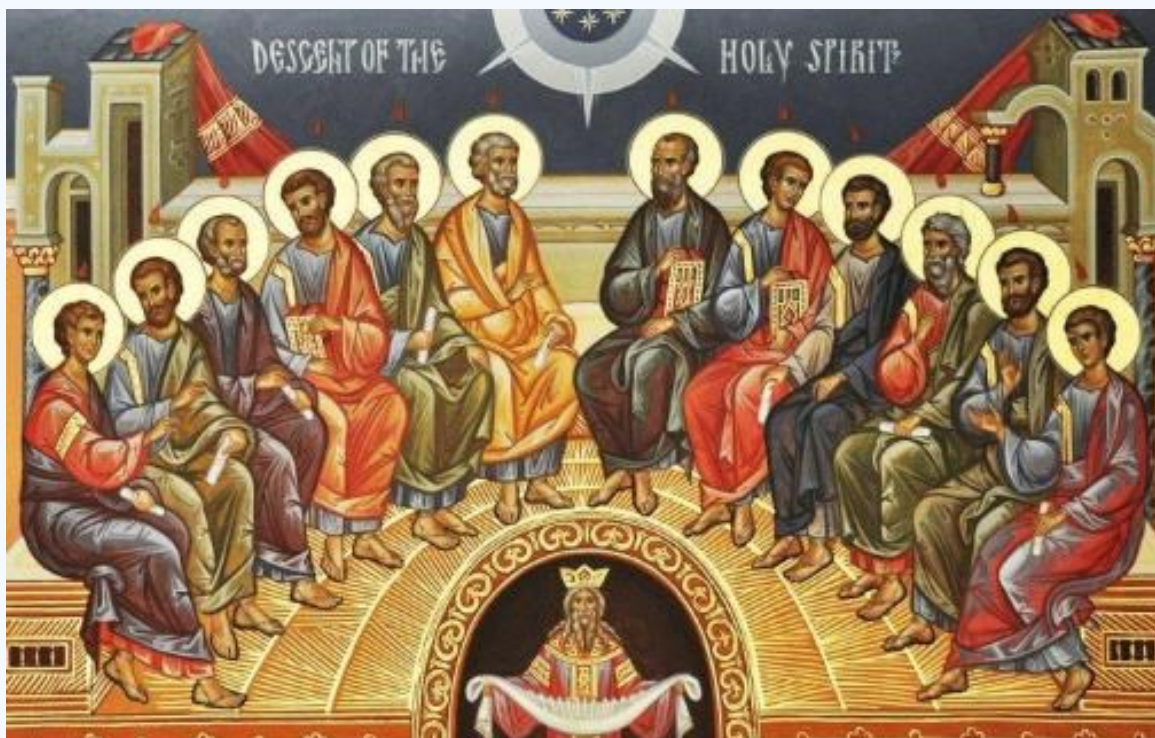


Come Holy Spirit



*We profess our faith in the Holy Spirit. * We cry out: Do not forsake us, O Comforter ! * Grant salvation to all. * Sanctify us who sing to You.*

*Renew us through your all –holy Spirit, O God, * the same Spirit You sent to your apostles of old. * Strengthen your inheritance again, we beg You, * that your saving will may be accomplished in the world.*

*Just as You sent your Holy Spirit to your apostles, O Lord, * send down divine grace upon us today, we beseech You. * Enlighten our hearts with the unfading light of his coming, * that we may all send up fitting praise to You, * singing the thrice - holy hymn with ceaseless voices * to the Trinity, one in essence and undivided.*

*The Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father; * He is worshipped in the Son. * He brings strength and sustains the life of all; * He lives forever, saving those who sing to Him: * O holy Comforter, hasten to bring peace to the world.*

(All prayers from Matins of the Week of Pentecost)

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80th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help August 30 & 31, 2014



This year, the Sisters of St. Basil the Great celebrate the 80th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of our Lady of Perpetual Help. Therefore, it is quite appropriate that the original icon that was presented to the Sisters by Pope Pius XI in 1934, will be the centerpiece of this year's sacred journey of the Pilgrimage.

The Sisters of St. Basil invite all to join them under the title of "Theotokos, Fountain of Mercy", as they follow the direction of Pope

Francis' message of mercy on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, 2013:

Together let us pray to the Virgin Mary that she helps us ... to walk in faith and charity, ever trusting in the Lord's mercy; He always awaits us, loves us, has pardoned us with His Blood and pardons us every time we go to Him to ask His forgiveness. Let us trust in His mercy!

As always, Pilgrimage will offer the Divine Liturgy of the Byzantine Catholic Church, Matins, Vespers, the sacrament of reconciliation, healing and anointing services, and other services in honor of the Mother of God. In addition, there will be many beautiful processions, activities for children and teens, and pastoral counseling. Between scheduled events, pilgrims find solace in walking the beautiful grounds of Mount St. Macrina, visiting the many shrines, and enjoying the companionship of family and friends who share a common purpose.

The Pilgrimage provides for the diverse spiritual needs of many pilgrims who frequent this major unifying event in the life of the Byzantine Catholic Church. Its participants include clergy and faithful from across the country. It holds the distinction of being the oldest and the largest Byzantine Catholic Pilgrimage in the United States.



Saints, Scriptures & Solemnities

June 8
Pentecost Sunday
Acts 2:1-11
Jn 7:37-52 & 8:12

June 22
2nd Sunday After Pentecost
Rom 2:10-16
Mt 4:18-23

June 9
Pentecost Monday
Eph 5:8b-19
Mt 18:10-20

June 24
Birth of John the Baptist
Rom 12:11-14:4
Lk 1:5-25, 57-68 & 76-80

June 15
Sunday of All Saints
Heb 11:32-12:2a
Mt 10:32-33, 37-38 & 19:27-30

June 29
3rd Sunday After Pentecost
Peter and Paul Prime Apostles
Rom 5:1-10 & 2 Cor 11:21-12:9; Mt 6:22-34

Congratulations to All of Our Graduates!



Sister Jean Marie greets the 2014 graduates of St. Stephen's Cathedral, Phoenix, Arizona

We ask God's blessings for our graduates. May they continue to grow the gifts God has given them and share them generously and creatively for God's glory and the good of God's people. May God grant our graduates many blessed years in health and salvation!

The Sisters of St. Basil invite graduates who would like to be on our prayer list for blessings on their future. To add your name to the list, please email Sr. Barbara Jean at vocations@sistersofstbasil.org.

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Icon Workshop



The Sisters at Mount St. Macrina recently participated in an icon writing course with the help of Marylyn Barone. In the photograph to the left, the Sisters are happily displaying their Pokrov icons.

Romanian Sisters Visit Mount Saint Macrina



Sister Valentina Hadarau and Sister Laurentia Bolfa-Otic, Sisters of St. Basil from our Province in Cluj, Romania assisted in the first phase of the medoviniki project. Here they are working with Sister Susan Harvey and Sister Margaret Fedyzak.