

**To Our Guests and Visitors about Receiving Holy Communion:**

1. In Orthodox churches, Holy Communion is given to and received only by members of the Orthodox Church (the baptized and chrismated who strive to live in repentance, faith, and godliness).
2. If you are non-Orthodox, please refrain from approaching the Chalice, but speak with Fr. Jonathan after the Liturgy. If you are Orthodox and unfamiliar to the Priest, please introduce yourself to Fr. Jonathan prior to the Liturgy, otherwise at the Chalice.
3. Please approach the Chalice in the following order: children first; then row-by-row from the front of Church, going to the Chalice on the side you are positioned (if there are two Chalices), returning to your place by the outside aisle past the table with the *antidoron* (bread and wine).

**Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered for the Health of:**

Archprst. Dimitri	Archprst. Stephen	Archprst. Elias	Mat. Marion	Irene
Laurie	Barbara	Tanya	Nicole & Noelle	Eli
Joshua	Mark	Nick	Nina	Charles
Gregory	Ronald	Tatiana	Nancy	Deanna
Bill	Kay	Lydia	Nicholas	Mary
Mikey	Patrick	Richard	Kathy	Maksim
Dolores	Savanah & unborn child	John	Jerry	Burton

**Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered in Memory of:**

Taisa (ND)      Tatiana (ND)

**June Birthdays:**

Lara Ciampa (6/5)	Emelia Kulikowski (6/10)	Siobhan Awad (6/13)
Marsha Blazso (6/17)	Henry Pouget (6/18)	Maxine Lurowist (6/22)
Larysa Khalifa (6/28)		

**TO SPONSOR COFFEE HOUR, please sign up on the calendar book on the glass case. COFFEE HOUR.**

St. Mark is a Parish of the OCA Diocese of the South under the leadership of Metropolitan Tikhon and Archbishop Alexander. Our mission is to be a spiritual home to all who enter; to be a Christ-like community of Orthodox Christians; to be active in worship, fellowship, and witness, through participation in the Sacraments to come into close union with God.

If you are unable to attend services, but wish to continue your Stewardship contributions, send them to PO Box 1315, Bradenton FL, 34206.

Memorial Bricks for the St. Mark Memorial Garden can be ordered at [www.thatsmybrick.com/stmarkorthodox](http://www.thatsmybrick.com/stmarkorthodox). You can order a 4"x 8" or 8"x8" brick with or without an Orthodox Cross, the number of characters vary accordingly. If you have any questions about the ordering process, see Fr. Jonathan.

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**"The Messenger"**

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**This week at St. Mark**

23	Sunday	11:15 AM	Vespers of Pentecost (w/kneeling prayers); <i>fast-free week</i>
24	Monday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy (Holy Spirit Day)
26	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Vespers/Faith & Life Class (Rev. 14)
27	Thursday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
29	Saturday	8:15 AM	Matins (Ss. Peter and Paul)
		9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy (Ss. Peter and Paul)
		3:30 PM	Intro to Orthodoxy
		5:00 PM	Great Vespers
30	Sunday	9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy (All Saints) * Because All Saints Sun. occurs after the Feast of Ss. Peter and Paul, there is no Apostles' Fast this year.

**Sunday, June 23, 2024 (Tone 7)**

**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha**

**Feast of Holy Pentecost**

**Prokeimenon**                      **Tone 8**                      (*Pentecostarion*)

*Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, / and their words to the ends of the universe. (Ps. 18:4)*

*V. The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Ps. 18:1)*

*Acts 2:1-11 (Epistle)*


When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God."

*John 7:37-52, 8:12 (Gospel)*

On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. Therefore many from the crowd, when they heard this saying, said, "Truly this is the Prophet." Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "Will the Christ come out of Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the seed of David and from the town of Bethlehem, where David was?" So there was a division among the people because of Him. Now some of them wanted to take Him, but no one laid hands on Him. Then the officers came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, "Why have you not brought Him?" The officers answered, "No man ever spoke like this Man!" Then the Pharisees answered them, "Are you also deceived? Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed in Him? But this crowd that does not know the

law is accursed." Nikodemos (he who came to Jesus by night, being one of them) said to them, "Does our law judge a man before it hears him and knows what he is doing?" They answered and said to him, "Are you also from Galilee? Search and look, for no prophet has arisen out of Galilee." Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Our Parish website is [www.bradentonorthodox.org](http://www.bradentonorthodox.org). Please check it out and give any feedback you might have to Fr. Jonathan or a Council member. See also [www.facebook.com/St.MarkOrthodoxChurch](https://www.facebook.com/St.MarkOrthodoxChurch).
- **Quarterly Charity (April-June): Care Net**
- **A COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR SHEET** is located on the glass bookstore case in the Narthex. Please consider sponsoring Coffee Hour in 2024. Speak with Marsha Blazso for more information.
- **Immediately following each Divine Liturgy as we venerate the Cross, we pray the Post-Communion Prayers. Please maintain quiet until the prayers are completed.** 
- Anyone interested in helping count the Sunday collections, please see a Parish Council member.
- Our continued Lenten Project is the **Lift Station** needed to tie into the Manatee County sewer system, as required by the County with any new construction. This will need to be completed before a new hall can be built. *See the financeometer in the Narthex.*
- Architectural drawings and an artist's rendition of a proposed **Fellowship Hall** for St. Mark Church are on display in the Narthex. Please join us in prayer seeking God's will for the realization of this project.
- Yesterday we welcomed five persons into membership of the Church through Baptism and Chrismation: Vladimir, Bruna, and Alexander Jebelev, and John and Cathy Johns. God grant to the newly illumined servants of God and their sponsors many, many years!
- **Saint Mark 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner – Sunday, July 21, 2024, from 5-8:00 PM (at D's, 423 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. W, Palmetto, FL 34221); please sign up on the list on the shelf in the Narthex if you plan to attend.** Also, consider placing an ad in the Anniversary Booklet being prepared for the event (see the insert for details and pricing). God bless our parish!
- Today is the **Feast of Holy Pentecost**, the fiftieth day after Pascha and our participation in the Resurrection of Christ by the sending of the Holy Spirit upon the faithful. Orthodox Pentecost celebrates both the pouring out of the Spirit and the Triune God in whose name we are baptized: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

*Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel:*

**Troparion    Tone 8    (*Pentecost*)**

Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God,  
Who hast revealed the fishermen as most wise  
by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit,  
and through them Thou didst draw the world into Thy net.//  
O Lover of Man, glory to Thee!

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and  
ever and unto ages of ages. Amen**

**Kontakion    Tone 8    (*Pentecost*)**

When the Most High came down and confused the tongues,  
He divided the nations;  
but when He distributed the tongues of fire, He called all to unity.//  
Therefore, with one voice we glorify the All-holy Spirit.

*Instead of the Trisagion ("Holy God..."), we sing:*

**As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ.  
Alleluia.**

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## Saint Mark 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Booklet Ad Information

Contact Cara Kulikowski for more details.  
(carakulikowski@gmail.com)

**Pricing is as follows:**

¼ Page.....\$30

½ Page.....\$55

Full Page.....\$100

Types of ads can include:

- In memory of...
- In honor of...
- Congratulations.
- Business ad
- Family

*Forms for placing ads are available from Fr. Jonathan. See the  
examples of ¼ page ads on the other side:*



May your  
memory be  
eternal!  
We love you!



Your children, Stephen, Jennifer (David),  
and Cara (Nate). Your grandchildren  
Emilia, Logan, Olivia, and Evan.

## CONGRATULATIONS! St. Mark Orthodox Church



The Kulikowski Family celebrates with  
you! Cheers to the future!  
Nate, Cara, Logan, and Emilia



THE KULIKOWSKI FAMILY  
Nate, Cara, Logan and Emilia  
Lakewood Ranch, FL

Wishing a very happy 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to  
St. Mark Orthodox Church!

May we serve our neighbors and friends  
for many more years!



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