

# The Apostles' Joy

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Dear Family and Friends in Christ:

*Glory to Jesus Christ!      Glory Forever!*

During the past few weeks we have all experienced the joy of Pentecost and the new life which the Holy Spirit infuses in the Church by His Descent. As faithful members of the Church we thank God for this Grace, and strive to be worthy stewards of it to manifest the name of Christ in our given communities.

In our family this giving of new life has personally been the theme with the recent birth of our Kyra Marie, born May 4. Weighing 9 lbs. 5 oz, and over 20 inches long, she truly is a BIG GIFT of God! Matushka Anastasia and I would like to thank all of you who have expressed love and well wishes on our recent arrival. Please continue to pray for our family, and join us on June 30, for the celebration of her new life within the Church at her Baptism and Chrismation.

Wishing you all the blessings that come from Pentecost, and with sincere gratitude to God for our recent blessing,

With love and God's blessing,

## Our Mission @ a glance:

**Someone get out the Font!** We are pleased to announce the birth of Kyra Marie Hojnicky, the second child of Fr. Timothy and Mat. Anastasia born Friday, May 4. Kyra (being 10 days early!) was 9 lbs. 5.6 oz. and 20.25 inches long. Both Mom and Baby are doing great, and big brother Nicholas is adjusting well to the new addition. The Baptism is scheduled for Saturday, June 30, at 9:00 am at the Mission - *Many Years!*

**Pentecost 2007:** For the great Feast of Pentecost we celebrated a full Vigil on Saturday evening, May 26. On Sunday morning before the Divine Liturgy we welcomed Kyrill (Abram) Burnett into the Church through Holy Chrismation. After a Festal Divine Liturgy we had the Vespers of Pentecost with the traditional kneeling prayers. What a full and joyous liturgical weekend!

**Summer Liturgy Time Change:** Beginning Sunday, June 3, we will return to our Summer Liturgy schedule. The Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:00 am with the reading of the Hours at 8:40 am. Mark your calendar as not to be late!

**Sts. Peter & Paul Fast:** This month the Orthodox world observes the Apostles Fast. Beginning June 4, through Divine Liturgy on the June 29, we are called to keep this holy time in quiet and contemplative prayer.

**The Pan-Orthodox Academy** developing in this area, will hold the monthly meeting on Monday, June 11, at 7:00 pm at St. Nicholas Church Steelton, PA. Everyone is invited to participate!

**Father's Day:** In honor of Father's Day the Mission Council has approved a gift for a needy priest in the OCA suffering from the effects of Multiple Sclerosis.

**Mission Council Meeting:** The monthly meeting of the Mission Council will be held Thursday, June 14, 2007 at 7:00 pm at the Church. All parish members are invited to participate in this important administrative ministry of the Church.

**Liturgical Chapel at Messiah College:** On Friday, June 15, at 9:30 pm, Fr. Tim and members of our choir will be singing the Vespers service on campus at Messiah College. A national conference for "Christians in the Visual Arts" will be at Messiah

that week, and we were asked to offer a service for the Orthodox Christians coming to participate. Come and join us!

**Orthodox Bible Study:** Our Orthodox Bible Study continues to meet on Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm at Holy Trinity G.O. Cathedral in Camp Hill. We will continue to study the Gospel of St. Matthew on Thursday evenings through the summer months, and will continue to use the Orthodox Study Bible as the main text.

**Morning Akathist:** We have been celebrating a morning Akathist weekly to the Theotokos "Nurturer of Children." Anyone interested in participating in this service please join us! If you are not able to attend, please submit names of any children, grandchildren, or Godchildren you would like prayed for and Father will remember them during the service.

**Mechanicsburg Jubilee Day:** We will be again participating in Jubilee Day this year on June 21. We will be focusing our efforts on outreach. Father Tim is seeking volunteers to help at our booth that day. Please see him if you would like to help. We had a blast last year, so come and join us!

**We welcome Fr. Stephen, Mat. Anna, Sophia, & Zoe Vernak** recently assigned to Christ the Saviour Church in Harrisburg. We pray that the Lord grants them many fruitful years of ministry at our "mother" parish, and look forward to establish a relationship with them in our community.

**In honor of the feast of Sts. Peter & Paul** we will serve those services with Christ the Saviour (see the calendar). We will then invite them the following days to then celebrate the Feast of the Holy Apostles with us in Mechanicsburg.

**Patronal Feast Day:** For the first time, we are able to serve our Patronal feast as it should be! We will have Great Vespers with Litiya at 7:00 pm on Friday, June 29. Saturday, June 30, we will celebrate the baptism of **Kyra Hojnicky** at 9:00 am, with the Divine Liturgy and a Luncheon following. Great Vespers will be **EARLY** at 2:00 pm. Mark your calendars and plan on celebrating this important day for our Mission community.

### Parish June Birthdays

Jacob Kurtz 6/4      Mark Linnehan 6/9

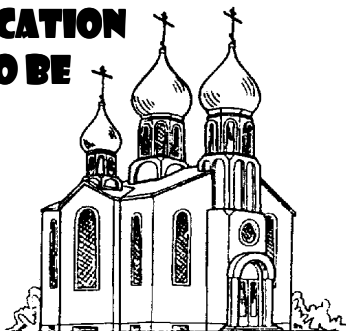
Brennen Washburn 6/12      Fr. Tim 6/14

**God Grant them Many Years!**

### CHURCH & VACATION DON'T HAVE TO BE AT ODDS!



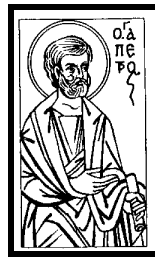
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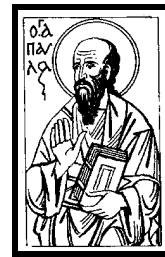
Everyone deserves a vacation - but not from Church. If you are traveling away from home over the summer, be sure to visit the "Orthodoxy in America" website to find an Orthodox Church wherever you are heading, be it in the United States, Canada, or Mexico. All the canonical Orthodox jurisdictions (OCA, Greek, Antiochian, Serbian, etc.) are listed together on this one remarkable site: <http://orthodoxyinamerica>. Just because we are on vacation does not mean we can take a vacation from God. Please make every effort to locate a local Church and worship with them. If you would like Father to contact the local priest and Inform him of you and your family's visit, he would be more than happy to do so!

# June 2007

Holy Apostles Orthodox Mission Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania



Sts. Peter &  
Paul Fast  
6/4-6/29



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>27 Pentecost</b> D.L. 9:30 am Kneeling Vespers & Fellowship Following	<b>28</b> St. Tikhon's 103rd Pilgrimage	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Akathist 8:15 am Orthodox Bible Study, Camp Hill, 7 pm	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Great Vespers & Confessions: 6pm
<b>Fast Free Week!</b>						
<b>3 All Saints</b> D.L. 9 am Fellowship & Meeting Following	<b>4</b> Jacob Kurtz's Birthday! Christ the Saviour Picnic	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Akathist 8:15 am Pan-Orthodox Clergy Bible Study 10 am Orthodox Bible Study, Camp Hill, 7 pm	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Mark Linnehan's Birthday! Great Vespers, Litiya & Confessions: 6pm
<b>10</b> American Saints D.L. 9 am & Fellowship Following	<b>11</b> Jubilee Day Mtg. after Liturgy	<b>12</b> Brennen Washburn's Birthday!	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> No Akathist Fr. Tim's Birthday! Mission Council Meeting 7pm	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Great Vespers & Confessions: 6pm
<b>17</b> Father's Day D.L. 9 am & Fellowship Following	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> No Akathist Mechanicsburg Jubilee Day 8am-9pm	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Great Vespers, Litiya & Confessions: 6pm
<b>24</b> Nativity of St. John the Baptist D.L. 9 am & Fellowship Following	<b>25</b>			<b>28</b> Akathist 8:15 am Great Vespers & Litiya @ Christ the Saviour, Harrisburg: 7 pm	<b>29</b> Sts. Peter & Paul 9:30am Liturgy @ Christ the Saviour, Harrisburg Great Vespers & Litiya: 7 pm	<b>30</b> Synaxis of the Holy Apostles 9 am: Hojnicky Baptism 9:45 am Liturgy & Luncheon Early Vespers: 2 pm



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***Prayers for the Health & Salvation of those who are in need:***

Metropolitan THEODOSIUS (retired Primate of the OCA), Archbishop GREGORY (retired OCA Archbishop of Alaska), Archbishop KYRILL, Archimandrite Jerome (Newville), Archpriest John Perich, Archpriest Michael Mihalick, Archpriest Vasily Lickwar, Archpriest John Onufrey, Archpriest Daniel Donovan, Priest Innokentios Byakatonda, Matushka Anastasia Molodyko-Harris, Presbytera Pearl Veronis, Matushka Karen Mahaffey, Matushka Mary Ann Oselinsky, Pauline Fetsko, Margaret Balog, Marlene Washburn, Lubov (Lillian) Husted, Melania Kosty, Amelia Kuzmiak, Joseph Mazur, Theophan Koziar, Mary Burke, Marie Molodyko-Harris, the child Christopher Elliot, The newly Illumined: Alina Watson, & Zoe Vernak, Matushka Anastasia & the Infant Kyra, Mary Pletnikoff & the Infant Anastasia, Matushka Tamara Cowan & the Child to be granted to her, Hannah Gordon, Harry Sysak, Sharon Hanna, Mary Lou Grove, Dorothy Medill, Janice Fields, Mary Kneiss, Eva Pron, Ryan Matthew Pron, Peter Melnik, Charles Hier, Julie Harb, Beth Arneson, Fred Salay, Samuel Utley, Subdeacon Peter Takarchek, John DellaMonica, Carol Allen, Helen Davis, Thimi Costas, Mary Themel, Gloria Onufrak, Carol Durkish, Elizabeth Middlesworth, Ludmilla Kern, Daniel, Pei, Lydia, Joshua, Anna Medill, and the infant JaNae.

***Prayers for the newly Departed: Memory Eternal!***

Boris Yeltsin (+4/23), Salem Essis (+4/23), Helen Osuch (+4/28), Anne Towner (+5/1), Joseph Basalayga (+5/7), together with all victims of terrorism and violence throughout the world.