

St. Alexis of Wilkes-Barre Orthodox Church

A Mission of the Orthodox Church in America

2323 N State St, Unit 112, Bunnell, FL 32110

Sunday Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM

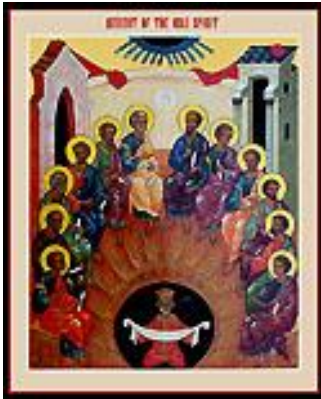
Confessions heard Saturday after Great Vespers or by appointment

SUNDAY, May 31, 2026

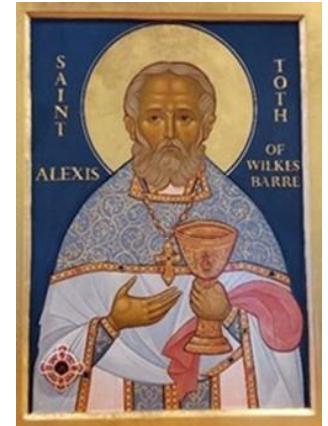
TONE 7

8th Sunday of Pascha

Holy Pentecost – Feast of the Holy Trinity



“The Orthodox Christian Church is evangelical, but not Protestant. It is orthodox, but not Jewish. It is catholic, but not Roman. It is not denominational, it is pre-denominational. It has believed, taught, preserved, defended, and died for the Faith of the Apostles since the Day of Pentecost nearly 2,000 years ago.”
– *Our Life in Christ*



Welcome to our Guests!

Thank you for coming to pray with us. You will find a weekly bulletin with today’s hymns and a blue guest information card on the back table. Please fill out the card and give it to a greeter or put it in an offering box. You are also invited to *Coffee Fellowship* in the parish hall following the Liturgy this morning. Our priest, Fr David, looks forward to meeting you!

According to ancient Christian practice, Holy Communion (Eucharist) is served to members of the Orthodox Church who have made preparation through prayer, fasting, and recent confession, and who are at peace with their neighbor. If you are not a member of the Orthodox Church, you may be offered blessed bread (*antidoron*) by others in respect and love.

Announcements:

The Feast of Pentecost

“Behold we now celebrate the feast of Pentecost, the coming of the Spirit, the fulfilment of the promise and also of our hope.” This is the proclamation during Saturday evening Great Vespers inviting us to enter this Great Feast celebrated on the 8th Sunday of Pascha. Because we now have our own building we will get to hear all of the readings from the Old Testament which are so rich in foretelling this day. You may also go to [our OCA web site to read all of them](#).

As soon as the Liturgy is over today, we will begin the solemn prayers of Vespers of Pentecost, which are done while kneeling. This will be the first time since Pascha to kneel during services. At this moment each person kneeling will be asking for the one supreme gift of the Father, which is to fill our hearts once again with renewed Pentecostal grace, love, and power to live as Christians in this world. These prayers combined are Trinitarian, and so today is also called among the Orthodox, “the day of the Trinity.” (Excerpts from, *The Year of Grace of our Lord*, by A Monk of the Eastern Church.)

Come and be equipped for the days ahead. The best is yet to come!

Typical church office hours (call or text before coming to confirm someone will be there):

- Wednesdays 11-5
- Fridays 10-4
- Saturdays 1-4

To schedule an appointment with Fr David:

- Email him at priest@stalexisoca.org or
- Call him at 386-263-8383 (the new church phone number)

SAVE THE DATE!

The Annual Diocese of the South Assembly will be taking place July 20-24 and will be held in St Augustine, FL – and St. Alexis Mission has been given the role of HOST for the event.

- ❖ Volunteers are needed! Want to help? Contact DiDi Dejanovic, our DOS Assembly Assistant!
 - 609-668-1836
 - DiDi@stalexisoca.org
- ❖ A **Pontifical Liturgy** open to the public will be celebrated during the Assembly at Annunciation OCA Mission in Jacksonville, Florida on **Wednesday July 22 at 9am.**
- ❖ You won't want to miss it!

Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David after Coffee Fellowship Hour

Fr David facilitates this informal session on designated Sundays. *Check the calendar and look for "Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David."* Catechumens, please make it a priority to attend –all others are welcome to join in. If you are a guest, seeker, inquirer, or member, this is an opportunity to learn more about Orthodox faith and practice. We meet around a table in the Parish Hall.

Celebrating New Life!

Glory to God for All Things!!!

Our St. Alexis family is coming together to celebrate our four expectant families as they prepare to welcome their precious newborn babies.

Everyone is welcome!

The celebration will be held Saturday, June 20 - 2:30 to 4:30 in our parish hall.

Light refreshments will be served.

For those who would like to give something for the newborns and new mothers, **there will be a collection basket in church from Sunday, May 31 until Sunday, June 14.**

Examples of items to contribute include:

diapers, newborn wipes, baby clothes (generic colors), bottles, pacifiers, receiving blankets, gift cards and baby toiletries - to name a few.

Should anyone wish to make a monetary contribution, please see Helen Ireland, our parish treasurer.

If you'd like to know further details or to help with the planning, please see Carol Pearce at church.

Thank you!

Encouraging ACH donations at St. Alexis for Tithes and Offerings and the Building Fund

We encourage online donors to choose **ACH** rather than credit card transactions. Our parish is charged a 2.2% transaction fee for each credit card donation. In contrast, we are charged only \$.25 for each ACH donation. To donate via ACH, register with **Church Connect**, a one-time, quick, secure set up:

Church Connect - Our St Alexis Orthodox Church App

- Scan the **QR code** with your smart phone to create your account
- You may also go directly to the link at: stalexisoca.org/give
- If you need help setting up your account, see Mka Rozanne or Mike Ruddy



NEW ONGOING Opportunities for Love and Ministry in our Parish:

- ❖ **Seeking Altar Servers:** Men of all ages, if you are a member of the faithful and are open to being trained to serve in the altar, please see Fr David. *You must arrive at least 20 minutes before the service begins.*
- ❖ **Church Cleaning Time happens every Wednesday 3:30-5:30pm (Vespers begins at 6pm).** Nelya Lashkul is a steward of this ministry. Ask her how you can help or contact the church office.
- ❖ **We are looking for volunteers for church projects and assistance in the office. Come by the church office during office hours and ask how you can help!**
- ❖ **Child Care:** Interested in helping our catechumens by providing supervision for their children during catechism each Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm? This is a special ministry requiring at least two qualified adults each Wednesday evening. An honorarium may be available if needed for this ministry. See Fr David or Mka Rozanne to learn more.
 - NOTE: According to OCA policies, anyone who works with children in the parish must submit to a background check and complete a briefing process. There must be two adults caring for children at all times unless the children are with a parent or relative.

Prayer Lists – Pray for each other daily:

The Departed:

- The Priest Slava
- Victims of accidents, hostilities, and natural disasters around the world
- The unborn Patrick and all the unborn

All whom we carry in our hearts, including:

- Fr Aleksandr Yu Shi, Fr. Kung Ming Cheung, Fr. Denis
- Fr Patrick, Mka Lauren, James, Walter, Henry, Kathryn, Ethan, Marissa, Andrew
- Fr Nicholas & Mka Anastasia, Fr Philip & Kh Diane, Fr James & Mka Daphne,
- Our missionaries: the Hoppes, Brandows, Macdonalds, and Hannah Valentine
- Iconographer Elena Mavrodieva and her family
- Wood craftsmen Artem, Daniel and Sdn Alexander
- Ilya, Anastasia, the Poleschuk family, Moses, Michael, Elena, Stefan, Naomi
- Anna and the child she carries, Amy and the child she carries, Nadia and the child she carries, Kenadea Mary and the child she carries, Marissa Martha and the child she carries
- All members of our community traveling or on the bed of sickness
- St Gerard Campus staff and the mothers and babies they serve
- All who are homeless, unemployed, or under-employed in our community
- All of our guests and inquirers seeking God through the Orthodox Church
- Catechumens Chris, Lesly, Gianna, Marco, Samuel, Maryam, Annie, Gillian, Tyler
- Catechumens Vincent & Amy preparing for illumination

Hymns for this Sunday: *Please sing along with the choir – and all week long!*

Tone 8 Troparion of the Feast

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

Tone 8 Kontakion

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.

Scripture Readings for this Sunday:

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11

Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12

The Lord's Prayer

English

Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.

Slavonic (Transliterated)

Ot-che nash,
Ee-zhe ye see na nye-bye-sekh!
da svya-tee-tsya ee-mya Tvo-ye, da pri-ee-dyet Tsar-stvi-ye Tvo-ye:
da boo-dyet vol-ya Tvo-ya, ya-ko na nye-bye-see ee na zem-lee.
Khleb nash na-soosch-nui dazhd nam dnyes:
ee o-sta-vee nam dol-gee na-shya, ya-ko-zhe ee mui o-sta-vlya-yem
dol-zhnee-kom na-shim:
ee nye vye-dee nas vo ees-koo-shye-ni-ye,
no eez-ba-vee nas ot loo-ka-va-go.

Spanish

Padre nuestro, que estás en los cielos,
Santificado sea tu nombre.
Venga tu Reino.
Hágase tu voluntad así en la tierra como en el cielo.
El pan nuestro de cada día dánosle hoy,
Y perdona nuestras deudas, así como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores;
Y no nos dejes caer en la tentación, mas líbranos del mal.

Life in our Church

Saturday, May 30	Choir Rehearsal <i>(in the nave)</i> Great Vespers <i>Confessions following</i>	3:30 PM 5:00 PM
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Sunday, May 31	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>(Feast of Pentecost - Feast of the Holy Trinity)</i> Kneeling Prayers immediately following Liturgy <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour</i>	9:30 AM
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Fast-free week May 31-June 7

Wednesday, Jun 3	Church Cleaning Daily Vespers Catechism	3:30 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM
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Saturday, June 6	NO Choir Rehearsal today Great Vespers <i>Confessions following</i>	5:00 PM
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Sunday, Jun 7	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>(Sunday of All Saints)</i> <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour</i> NO Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David today	9:30 AM
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The Apostles' Fast June 8-28

(No meat or cheese or eggs for Coffee Fellowship Hour potlucks. Thank you!)

Wednesday, Jun 10	Church Cleaning Daily Vespers Catechism	3:30 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM
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Saturday, June 13	Choir Rehearsal <i>(in the nave)</i> Great Vespers <i>Confessions following</i>	3:00 PM 5:00 PM
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Sunday, Jun 14 <i>Father's Day</i>	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom <i>(Sunday of All Saints of North America)</i> <i>Coffee Fellowship Hour (no meat or dairy)</i> Intro to Orthodoxy with Fr David	9:30 AM ~12:15 PM
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Wednesday, Jun 17	Church Cleaning Daily Vespers Catechism	3:30 PM 6:00 PM
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His Eminence, The Most Reverend ALEXANDER, Archbishop of Dallas and the South
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Parish Council President James Humphries ♦ 904-540-2476