

READINGS

THIS SUNDAY

Ninth Sunday of Pentecost

2 Corinthians 5:20-6:10
Luke 4:14-21

EPISTLE READERS

Sunday, August 3

8:30am – Cynthia Maroon
11:00am – Noor Neochi

Sunday, August 10

8:30am – Sandy Hamad
11:00am – Freddy Nemr

Sunday, August 17

10:30am – Erica Peters

Sunday, August 24

8:30am – Stephanie Hamad
11:00am – Layla Roland

Coming Events

Parish Advisory Board Meeting – TBA

Ladies' Guild Meeting – TBA

Men's Club Meeting - TBA

Caregivers' Meeting - TBA
(Following 8:30 Liturgy)

Next special collection:

August 17th
Maintenance and General Upkeep

Next First Friday Divine Liturgy
And Adoration
will be held on
September 5, 2025

Counting our Blessings

Weekly Collection

July 27, 2025

\$2,875.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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RECIPE FOR SPIRITUAL/ETERNAL SUCCESS

- CONFESSION – TO CLEAR OUT ANY MISTAKES OR PROBLEMS.
- ROSARIES – TO SEND ALL OF OUR HOPES TO MARY, MOTHER OF GOD.
- LITURGIES – WHAT BETTER WAY TO PRAISE AND WORSHIP OUR LORD.
- ADORATION – SPENDING TIME WITH OUR LORD TO SPEAK AND TO LISTEN.

MIX ALL INTO YOUR DAILY ROUTINE
AND YOU WILL FEEL THE PRESENCE OF
OUR LORD WITH YOU!!



From the Desk of The Pastor



Face to Face

In today's world, we are more "connected" than ever. A post online can gather dozens of hearts, thumbs up, and kind comments in a matter of minutes. Many of you interact faithfully with our parish Facebook page, liking prayers, sharing feast day reflections, or commenting "Amen" to a Bible verse.

But sometimes, I wonder: what happens when we meet in person?

Too often, the warmth we see online doesn't always carry into face-to-face encounters. The eye contact is less frequent. The smiles are more reserved. The conversations are shorter. And we leave wondering, were those "likes" just digital gestures, or signs of something deeper?

This isn't to criticize, but to invite reflection. We are human beings, created not for screens but for communion. Not just "connection," but *presence*.

Even our Lord, God Himself, chose not to stay in heaven and send blessings from afar. He *became flesh and dwelt among us*. He walked with us, ate with us, cried with us, touched the leper, and looked into the eyes of the sinner and the saint alike. The Incarnation wasn't a long-distance message, it was love made visible, present, and face to face.

If relationships could grow fully from a distance, the Lord would have stayed on His throne and simply "liked" our prayers. But He didn't. He came. He stayed. He gave us His presence.

So let us take His example seriously. Let's not let our online presence replace our in-person love. Let our smiles, greetings, and conversations in church, in the hall, or in the parking lot reflect the same joy and encouragement we share on social media.

Let us be truly *present*, to God, and to one another.

With love in Christ,
Fr. Ronald