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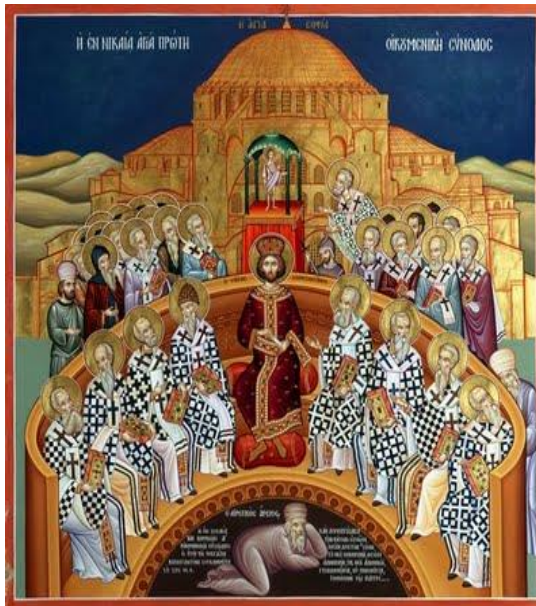
# SAINT INNOCENT ORTHODOX CHURCH

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May 28, 2017

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

*Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council at Nicaea  
Afterfeast of the Ascension*



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## *Troparion and Kontakion for Sunday, May 28, 2017*

### **Tone 6      Troparion      (Resurrection)**

The angelic powers were at Your tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Your grave, seeking Your most pure body. You took captive hell, // not being tempted by it. You came to the Virgin, granting life. // O Lord, Who rose from the dead, glory to You.

### **Tone 4      Troparion      (Ascension)**

You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, granting joy to Your Disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit. Through the blessing, they were assured, that You are the Son of God, // the Redeemer of the world!

### **Tone 8      Troparion      (Fathers)**

You are most glorious, O Christ our God! You have established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth. Through them You have guided us to the true Faith. // O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

### **Tone 8      Kontakion      (Fathers)**

The Apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrines have established one Faith for the Church. Adorned with the robe of truth, woven from heavenly theology, // It defines and glorifies the great mystery of piety.

### **Tone 6      Kontakion      (Ascension)**

When You had fulfilled the dispensation for our sake, and united earth to heaven, You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, not being parted from those who love You, but remaining with them and crying: // "I am with you, and there is no one against you!"



### **Epistle: Acts 20:16-18, 28-36**

**20** For Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he would not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hurrying to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the Day of Pentecost. <sup>17</sup>From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called for the elders of the church. <sup>18</sup>And when they had come to him, he said to them: "You know, from the first day that I came to Asia, in what manner I always lived among you, <sup>28</sup>Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy

Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. <sup>29</sup> For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. <sup>30</sup> Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves. <sup>31</sup> Therefore watch, and remember that for three years I did not cease to warn everyone night and day with tears. <sup>32</sup> "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup> I have coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup> Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me. <sup>35</sup> I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" <sup>36</sup> And when he had said these things, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

***Gospel: John 17:1-13***

**17** Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, <sup>2</sup> as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. <sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. <sup>4</sup> I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. <sup>5</sup> And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. <sup>6</sup> "I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. <sup>7</sup> Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. <sup>8</sup> For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received *them*, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. <sup>9</sup> "I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. <sup>10</sup> And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. <sup>11</sup> Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as *We are*. <sup>12</sup> While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. <sup>13</sup> But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.



*Many Years!*

May	28 Mose Williams
June	3 Aaron Williams

*Announcements for Sunday, May 28, 2017:*

- Next Saturday/Sunday is the Great Feast of the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Vigil will be served at 6pm on Saturday.
- Next Sunday there will be a short presentation on the Parish Hall capital campaign.
- On Sunday, June 11th we will have a Outreach Committee Meeting. Anyone who would like to be a part of the committee should come.

*We welcome all visitors to our Divine Liturgy this morning.*

There are green service booklets in the entrance area of our Church that will help you follow along with the service if you like. While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the cross and receiving the Holy Bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.