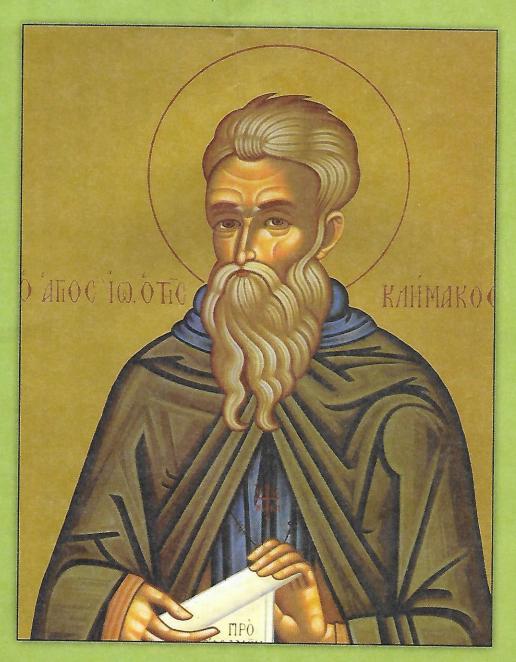
FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SAINT JOHN CLIMACUS



Icon of Saint John Climacus

The Ladder of Divine Ascent

Saint John Climacus (which means, of the ladder) was a sixth-century saint who entered the Monastery of Saint Catherine at Mount Sinai at age sixteen and dedicated his life to God. Over the course of his years at the monastery he developed a reputation for wisdom, selfdiscipline and an intense desire to grow in holiness.

He lived for seventy years at the monastery and eventually became hegumen (abbot). Although Saint John loved his monastery, he preferred solitude and spent many years in the wilderness living the life of a hermit. Even so, he was sought out by many pilgrims who traveled to Mount Sinai in search of this hermit saint and his wisdom.

Saint John is perhaps best known for his au-

thorship of a book entitled *The Ladder of Divine Ascent*. Even today, this thirty-chapter book is considered to be one of the most significant spiritual writings of Christian literature. Each of the thirty chapters represents one rung on a symbolic spiritual ladder of perfection leading from earth up to heaven. Thus, each chapter presents the reader with another spiritual exercise through which the highest point of earthly perfection may be reached before being consummated in heaven.

When he died, it was said of him that "his body ascended the heights of Mount Sinai, but his soul ascended the heights of heaven." By his example and through his prayers, may our sights remain high and heavenward as we continue on our Lenten journey.

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"Glory to Jesus Christ!"
"Slava Isusu Khristoo!"

June 6-7, 2020 All Saints Sun.

WELLCOME HOME EVERYBODY! We welcome today all our faithful to our vibrant Parish and Church, as we begin to re-open our services to the public. We are to follow certain guidelines from our Archbishop Borys in order ot ensure the health and safety of our People.

- 1. All the faithful must wear a facemask during the Liturgy except when consuming Holy Communion.
- 2. The Faithful must maintain a distance of 6 feet from each other both in and outside the church, except for family members.
- 3. The Liturgy you attend may be live-streamed, so be careful of all production equipment in the church.
- 4. Procedures for receiving Holy Communion will be announced by Father Pastor from the pulpit.
- 5. Please take your seat in church in accord with the markers of tape.
- 6. Donation baskets will be placed in the back of Church for your generour gifts to our beautiful Parish.
- 7. Thanks to all for heeding these temporary yet necessary regulations.

WORKERS WILL BEGIN to install a new roof on our Church in two weeks

airy atmosphere of the World Wide Web. We are this close to paying for this project, so you can still give us a hand this week.

FATHER RONALD THANKS all our kind folks for remembering him on his birth-day (May 22) and his ordination anniversary (May 25). God bless all of you with health and peace in these troubled times.

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 6, 6 pm For all our benefactors' health, Live Streamed. Sunday, June 7, 9 am Fonock, Maruszczak Family, Live Streamed

Saturday, June 13, 6 pm +Bridget Kovach (Pat Cook, Live streamed) Sunday, June 14, 9 am For all our dear faithful

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Tropar: Throughout the world Your Church is clothed in the blood of martyrs, as if in purple and fine linen. Today the church cries out to You: "O Christ, send Your bounties upon Your People, grant peace to the whole Christian Community, bestwo Your great mercy upon all our good Faithful.

GLORY TO THE FATHER AND THE

Kondak: O Lord, the universe offers the God-bearing martyrs as its Firstlings to the Creator of all things. O LOrd, by their prayers and those of the Mother of God, preserve Your Church and Your Community in true peace, amen.

Prokimen: Pray and give glory to the Lord, Our God, amen.

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