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Χριστὸς ἀνέστη! Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη! Christ is risen! Truly He is risen!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

So, this year's Paschal season has passed, and we now look forward to Pentecost. We certainly at that time remember and commemorate the founding of the Church, but there is much, much more to this for us than just that. Our goal in this life, as Christians, is truly the acquisition of the Holy Spirit. Saint Seraphim of Sarov says: "the true goal of our Christian life consists in the acquisition of the Holy Spirit." He says: "What God requires is a true faith in Himself and His Only-Begotten Son. In return He generously bestows the grace of the Holy Spirit. The Lord seeks hearts filled with love for God and for one's neighbor."

In this holy endeavor, we will come to shine with, and radiate, the Light, the Life and the Love of Christ that the saints throughout the ages have amply, widely and repeatedly demonstrated. Saint John Chrysostom reminds us that this is not just a task for monks or nuns, but is one for all Christians. "Those who live in the world, even though married, should resemble the monks in everything else. You are wholly mistaken if you think that there are some things that are required of seculars, and others for monastics.....They will have to render the same account.....When Christ orders us to follow the narrow path, He is speaking to all men."

As I have said many times, and will continue to say, this process of spiritual transformation requires persistence, dedication, long-term commitment, hard work and the Grace of God. The Church nourishes, guides, and helps us. We help and support one another, and God gives the blessings and the increase. Let us all take this truly to heart, and re-dedicate ourselves to this Holy Work, and truly be seeking to welcome the Descent of the Holy Spirit, seeking ever and always to acquire It. God bless you.

Your Brother in Christ,
Fr. John

NOTED DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR:

June 4: Holy Pentecost

June 12: Father's Day

June 30: Synaxis of the Holy Apostles

STEWARD'S NEWS:

Georgia Derziotis

Greenhouse Cottages, 613 Greenhouse Way Cottage 5, Suite J Carmel, IN 46032

Her cell # is 317-460-4709

The number in her room is 317-210-9859

She is very receptive to visitors and phone calls since her new change of residence.

+METROPOLITAN NICHOLAS VISITED MAY 17th :

His Eminence stated that George Pappas, Debbie O'Reilly, or Dr. Emmanuel Kratsios were eligible to run for PC according to the UPR. His Eminence wanted the other six Parish Council members (George Chimples, Nearhos and Xanthippi Darzentas, Angelus Kocoshis, Dr. Tom Kocoshis, and Phyllis Kriner) affirmed, and to have a meeting and to elect officers. Then His Eminence wants them to appoint a seventh member to the Parish Council. His Eminence will send us a letter confirming all this to Holy Apostles.

There was also some good ideas shared on possible ways of growing our parish, and that the entire parish must help in doing this.