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BULLETIN OF FEBRUARY 27, 2011

SUNDAY/FEBRUARY 27

Meat-Fare or Judgment Sunday (Tone 7)

St. Raphael of Brooklyn

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour

12:30p.m. Baptism of Gabriel Brugemann

Meat-Fare Sunday

February 27 – this is the last day for meat products until Pascha, April 24

Fast Days only from meat

Wednesday/Mar 2

Friday/Mar 4

TUESDAY/MARCH 1

7:00p.m. 9th Day Memorial Service
for Ludmila Tjaden and Michael Warin

SATURDAY/MARCH 5

9:30a.m. Akathist; Confession
5:30p.m. Vigil; Confession

SUNDAY/MARCH 6

Cheese-Fare Sunday (Tone 8)

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour; Book-for-the-Month from Parish
Library

6:30p.m. Vespers and Rite of Forgiveness:
Entrance into the Great and Holy Fast

Cheese-Sunday

March 6 – this is the last day for dairy and fish products until Pascha, April 24

PURE MONDAY/MARCH 7

First Day of the 40 Days of the
Great and Holy Fast



Lessons in Divine & Christian Love (48)

When Christ commanded: "Love your neighbor," He did not think as many do, that it is necessary that we love only the good and the righteous and healthy and good-looking, but also the bad and the unrighteous and sick and leprous, and the hunchbacked and the blind and crazy and unattractive and repulsive and disgusting....

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Love is not just one of the sentiments of the heart. Love is the queen of all noble and determinative feelings. St. Theodore of Edessa says: "Love is truly called the mother of virtue, the primary commandments and prophet." Everything else remaining that is noble, positive, compassionate, is tantamount to her ladies in waiting. For this reason the Apostle also wrote to the Colossians that love is perfection: "Love is the bond of perfectness" (cf. Col. 3:14). But to the Thessalonians: "The Lord directs your hearts into the love of God" (2 Thess. 3:5). Truly, love is the shortest way to the kingdom of heaven. Love eliminates the distance between God and man.

- Fr. Callistratus of Mileseva (Serbia)

Parish Synodicon: Memory Eternal!

Apr. 01, 40th Day Ludmila Tjaden
Apr. 02, 40th Day Michael Warin
Feb. 28, 1969 John Semoskovich
Feb. 28, 1983 Anna Cimpko
Feb. 28, 1992 John Lapchuk
Feb. 29, 1944 John Marchisin
Feb. 29, 1960 Fr. Jacob Grigorieff
Mar. 01, 1962 Constantine Bobich
Mar. 02, 1917 George Bekzar
Mar. 02, 1919 Peter Palomar
Mar. 02, 1994 Traiko Josifovich
Mar. 02, 2005 Helen Rzeszowski
Mar. 03, 1953 Xenia Kozich
Mar. 03, 1961 Pauline Leich
Mar. 03, 1962 Joseph Legedza
Mar. 03, 1969 Fr. Theodore Labowsky
Mar. 03, 1970 Samuel Savastinuk
Mar. 04, 1935 Anna Klimovich
Mar. 04, 1959 Sedor Dezko
Mar. 05, 1981 Gregory Grenther
Mar. 05, 1989 Joan Balogh



Offerings for the week of February 27

Olive Oil – in memory of Michael and Justina; in memory of Vaschen and Emila; for the health of Protodeacon Paul (birthday); for the health of Sandy and in memory of Joan; in memory of Floarea, Gheorghe, Elena, Petre, Maria, Aurelia, Elena, Sasinca and Alexandru.

Wine: for the health of Kyra (birthday); in thanksgiving to God on Gabriel's Baptism and for protection and salvation.

Coffee Hour Hosting

Feb. 27 - Inga, Eka and Marina
Mar. 06 - Nana, Nino and Nona
Mar. 13 - Motoviloff, Torrisi and Kachek

Offerings of Boiled Wheat

Are sought for the Memorial Saturday Commemorations on Mar. 19/Mar. 26 and Apr 02. Please subscribe for one of these dates in advance and let Father James know.

Many Blessed Years!

To Gabriel Bruggemann (grandson of Mariana Vajda) on his holy baptism today.

Memory Eternal!

To the newly-departed Ludmila Tjaden (+21 Feb) and Michael Warin (+22 Feb). Our sympathy to their families. A 9th Day Memorial for Ludmila and Michael will be held on Tuesday, March 1 at 7:00p.m.

Remember in Prayer

Sandy Filippini (home).

Easter Candy Sale

Our Annual Easter Candy Sale is now under way. Order forms are on the vestibule stand. Help us make this fund raiser a success.

New Parish Council

The New Parish Council will be installed on Sunday, March 13 at the Divine Liturgy. The next Parish Council Meeting will be Thursday, March 17 at 7:00p.m.

Coffee Hour Hosting

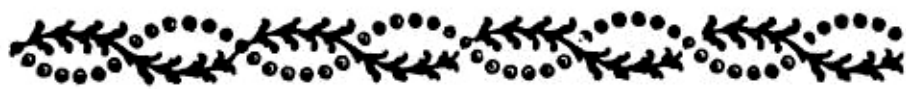
The new system of "a group" of people hosting the Sunday Coffee Hour is working out very well. Our sincere thanks to all our hosts! The variety of foods has been excellent. Coffee Hosting Groups are reminded that foods need to be in conformity with the lenten rules.

Namesday Greetings

St. Daniel/Mar. 4: Daniel Torrisi, Many Blessed Years!

Whom To Speak With About What

Parish Membership - Fr. James
Church School - Jill Peterson
Hall Rental/Usage - Austin Kachek
Offering Envelopes - Katherine Mantzofos
Parish Council Agenda - Symeon Combs
Parish Properties/Grounds - Austin Kachek
Library - Henry Hando
Cemetery - Fr. James
Charity Requests - Fr. James or Stacy Kita
Ushers - Symeon Combs
Readers/Choir - Patricia Sokol
IOCC - Protodeacon Paul
Parish Records - Fr. James
Website - Fr. James or Timothy Gorbatuk
Fund-Raising - Peter Gorbatuk



SOME HELPFUL LENTEN HINTS

1. In the 40 days, regardless of how you fast in terms of quantity and types of food, fast every day of the 40 days.
2. Know exactly what the fasting regulations are and try to approximate them as best you can. Each Great Lent, try to be more exact in fasting.
3. Particular concerns about fasting? Age, mixed marriages, never fasted before, health issues? You have a priest, talk to him.
4. Be sure to recite the lenten prayer of St. Ephrem. It is standard for Great Lent. If you cannot make the prostrations, make bows or just cross yourself.

As Christ has taught us in the Scriptures, a pure fast means the putting away of sin, the rejection of the passions, love for God, attentiveness in prayer, tears of compunction, and acts of mercy to the poor.

5. Increase the measure of your prayers and bows and prostrations. On Saturday and Sundays, we do not make prostrations.
6. Notice that on weekends the fasting is mitigated somewhat. Wine and oil are permitted, so we "slightly" relax.
7. The lenten services and lenten tones are to be found at the liturgical services Sunday evening through Friday evening. At these services we should strive to participate in.
8. Outdoor sportplaying is great during lent. Yes, we can both benefit and enjoy it. Nothing contrary to a lenten spirit here.

O my soul, because of fasting Moses beheld God; because of fasting Elias rode in the chariot of fire, and Paul was taken up to heaven. Therefore let us fast from evil and we also shall be taken up on high, gaining freedom from the passions.

9. In Great Lent we strive to avoid going to the movies, social parties, vacations, and other entertainments. This we do so we can have more time for services, charitable works and prayer.
10. Confession and Holy Communion are central to securing the benefits of Lent. Without fail, we should receive the Sacraments.
11. TV and Computer Time - here we need to be mindful of what we do and how much time we spend. Some give up tv for all Lent. Others strictly limit their time and watch only educational and news shows. Surfing on the web? Hit the theological sites.
12. Lent is a time to be attentive to the "inner man." What are the movements of my mind, will and heart? Are they centered upon Christ? Are they light-bearing or dark?
13. Great Lent - the time to do solid spiritual reading; the time to be charitable; the time to put things spiritual in good order. A time of work.
14. The Forty Days are ones of spiritual sweat, fasting, increased prayer, repentance, correction of ways, cultivation of virtues, uprooting of harmful passions. A great time is Lent and a great gift from God.

As soldiers of Christ let us now suffer hardship; for quickly will the time pass by and on those who have fought bravely Christ will bestow crowns of victory, when He comes in glory upon earth to judge all the world.

Ludmila V. Tjaden

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AGE: 91 ? Scotch Plains

Ludmila V. Tjaden, 91, passed away Monday, February 21, 2011 in Brick, NJ. Born Ludmila Vladikin in London and raised in Queens, New York, she was a World War II veteran and proudly served in the US Army from 1943 to 1945 as a medical technician. While stationed at Fort Dix she met her future husband Herman and was married in 1945. They raised their family in Scotch Plains where they resided for 54 years and later became active members of the Clark chapter of AARP and the North Central Jersey Exxon Annuitant Club. She devoted much of her time to volunteering in the community and served over 30 years in various leadership roles for the Washington Rock Girl Scout council including camp director and Community Chairman. The church was her passion and during her many years as a member of Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church, Ludmila worked on special projects and served on the parish council and as an all-american council observer. She also volunteered her time at the Ss. Cosmas & Damian Adult Home in Staten Island. Ludmila is predeceased by her parents, Vladimir and Alexandra Vladikin; and by her husband Herman of 62 years. He is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Tom Gil of Howell; a son, Peter of Arlington, VA; a daughter, Alexandra Dzapinka of Augusta, NJ; and two grandsons, George and Matthew.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend visitation at Fucillo & Warren Funeral Home, 205 South Main Street, Manville, NJ 08835 on Thursday, February 24 from 4-7 p.m. with Fr. James Parsells officiating the Panikhida at 6:30 p.m. Additional visitation will be held at the funeral home on Friday, February 25 from 10-10:30 a.m. A Funeral service will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 25 at Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church in Manville. Ludmila will be laid to rest at Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Cemetery in Hillsborough. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Ludmila's memory to Alzheimer's Association, Greater NJ Chapter, 400 Morris Avenue, Suite 251, Denville, NJ 07834. To send condolences to the family or sign an online guest book, please visit www.FucilloandWarrenFuneralHome.com.

Michael Warin Sr.

Michael Warin Sr., 89, entered peacefully into eternal life on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2011, at his home in Edison, N.J. Services will be held on Saturday, Feb. 26, 2011, beginning at 10 a.m. in the McCriskin-Gustafson Home for Funerals, 2425 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080, followed by an 11 a.m. funeral service at Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church in Manville, N.J. Burial will follow at the Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Cemetery in Hillsborough, N.J. Visitation will be in the funeral home on Friday, Feb. 25, 2011, from 4 to 8 p.m., and on Saturday from 9:45 a.m. until the service time. A Panikhida service will be held Friday evening at 7 p.m. Born and raised in Old Forge, Pa., Michael lived in Paterson, N.J., and briefly, Newark, N.J., for six years, and then in South Plainfield, N.J., where he raised his family and lived for 46 years. He had been a resident of Edison since December 2002. As a youth, he worked in the Civilian Conservation Corps in Pennsylvania, planting trees and learning skills. In August 1942, he enlisted into the service. Michael was a World War II Army veteran and served in the 287 Field Artillery. He was in the Southwest Pacific Theatre in Guadalcanal, New Guinea and the Philippines. A former member of VFW Post 4954 of Old Forge, Michael was a member of the South Plainfield VFW Post 6763 and the American Legion 0243. He retired from the E.I. Dupont, Newark, N.J., plant in 1982 after 31 years of employment as a continuous unit operator. Michael, the family man, would always encourage any entrepreneurship endeavor. He would always be there to help with projects and hard work along the way. Michael, the parishioner, always enjoyed helping out his church. He was predeceased by his dear and loving wife of 47 years, Ann (Stefano) Warin, and by his siblings, Anna Kravchuk, Olga Smith, Walter, Peter and John. Michael is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Joanne (Maier) Warin of New Providence, N.J.; his daughter, Shirley Ann Warin of Edison; his brother, Steve Warin of Sparta, N.J., and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, and great-great-nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations sent to Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church, 605 Washington Ave., Manville, N.J. 08835, or to the South Plainfield Senior Center, 90 Maple Ave., South Plainfield, N.J., would be appreciated. We would like to thank the Center for Hope Hospice for their compassionate care during Michael's end of life journey.

FROM THE SYNAXARION FOR MEMORIAL SATURDAY

It is evident that there is no set term of life. Or, if there is one, it is whatever God wills. For as he so wishes He adds to or deletes from the time of the life of this or that person, administering all things for our benefit. And when He wills, God arranges both the place and time of repose. According to St. Athanasius the Great, the term of each person's life is set by the will of God. St. Basil the Great teaches us that death comes as soon as the term of life has been fulfilled; by the words, term of life, God's will is meant.

Orthodox Church in America
 Diocese of New York & New Jersey
 New Jersey Deanery Lenten and Bright Wednesday Service Schedule

WORSHIP, PRAYER AND REPENTANCE

Great Lent and Bright Week – March 13, 2011 - April 27, 2011

**New Jersey Deanery
 SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY
 VESPERS 4:00 PM**

March 13
Sunday of Orthodoxy
Holy Spirit Church
 102 Route 284
 Wantage (Sussex), NJ 07461
Homilist:
His Grace, Bishop Michael
 Bishop of New York
 and the Diocese of
 New York and New Jersey



**Clergy of the New Jersey
 Deanery and the Clergy of the
 Hudson Valley (NY) Clergy
 Association will concelebrate
 with His Grace, Bishop Michael,
 Main Celebrant and Homilist**

**New Jersey Deanery
 MISSION VESPERS
 4:00 PM**

March 20
Sunday of Saint Gregory Palamas
Ss Peter and Paul Church
 76 Whitehead Avenue
 South River, NJ 08882
Homilist: His Grace, Bishop Alejo,
Bishop of Mexico City and the
Exarchate of Mexico
Children's choir will sing some responses

March 27
Sunday of the Holy Cross
Holy Cross Church
 11 Wilkens Station Road
 Medford, NJ 08055
Homilist: Archpriest Daniel Skvir

April 3
Sunday of Saint John of the Ladder
Assumption of the Holy Virgin Church
 29 Huron Avenue
 Clifton, NJ 07013
Homilist: (To be announced)

April 10
Saint Mary of Egypt
Saint Vladimir Church
 812 Grand Street
 Trenton, NJ 08610
Homilist: Priest Stephen Evanina

**New Jersey Deanery
 BRIGHT WEDNESDAY VESPERS
 7:00 PM**

April 27
Bright Wednesday Vespers
Christ the Saviour Church
 365 Paramus Road
 Paramus, NJ 07652
Homilist: His Grace, Bishop Michael

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*"O Lord and Master of my  
 life! Take from me the spirit  
 of sloth, despair, lust of  
 power and idle talk.  
 But give rather the spirit of  
 chastity, humility, patience  
 and love to Thy servant.  
 Yea, O Lord and King!  
 Grant me to see my own  
 transgressions and not to  
 judge my brother, for  
 blessed art Thou unto ages  
 of ages. Amen"*

*The Prayer of Saint Ephraim*

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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# The Kursk Root Icon of the Mother of God will visit St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church



On Sunday, March 13, the Triumph of Orthodoxy, the Kursk Root Icon of the Mother of God, a spiritual treasure of the Russian Orthodox Church and worker of many miracles, will visit St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church in Perth Amboy, NJ.

The Kursk Root Icon manifested its first recorded miracle upon its discovery at the root of a tree in the year 1295 near the city of Kursk in Russia. When the discoverer of the icon picked it up, a spring gushed out of the ground where the icon had lain, and still flows today. Since that time, armies have been quelled, destructive passions have been stilled, and count-

less people have been healed when asking for the prayers of the Mother of God to her divine Son on their behalf before this Icon. As a child, St. Seraphim of Sarov was healed by the Icon, and St. John of San Francisco reposed in prayer before it.

*Orthodox clergy and faithful of New Jersey are cordially invited to greet the Icon and lift up their prayers to the Mother of God.*



**Sunday, March 13th at 5:00 PM**

**Greeting of the Icon followed by Great Vespers**

**St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church**

**145 Broad Street • Perth Amboy, NJ 08861 • (732) 826-4442**

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