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BULLETIN OF JULY 3, 2011

SUNDAY/JULY 3

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Tone 2)

New-Martyrs of the Turkish Yoke

8:00a.m. Church Doors Open

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

11:45a.m. Movie: "Great Souls: Alexander Solzhenitsyn"

MONDAY/JULY 4

6:30p.m. Memorial Service for Justina Sokol

TUESDAY/JULY 5

St. Elizabeth of Moscow

6:00p.m. Compline and Akathist to St. Elizabeth

7:00p.m. Movie: "Great Souls: Alexander Solzhenitsyn"

WEDNESDAY/JULY 6

6:30p.m. Memorial Service for Kulick & Sokol Families

7:00-8:00p.m. Lemonade and Informal Conversations at the Rectory

SATURDAY/JULY 9

9:00a.m. Memorial Service for Tatiana Onuschak (1 year anniversary)

9:30a.m. Akathist; Confessions

5:30p.m. Vigil; Confessions

SUNDAY/JULY 10

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Tone 3)

8:00a.m. Church Doors Open

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

2:00p.m. Marriage of Amanda Kita and Scott Nagele



Lessons in Divine & Christian Love (67)

The Lord Jesus has repeated again and again the reminder to men, that they should not worry about food and drink and clothing. Those are the main cares of the pagans, but not of His followers. It is not worthy of the sons of God, that those concerns which are uppermost in animals should also be the main concerns of men. The one who has called us as His guests in this world knows our needs and attends to them for us. Or do we think that God is a poorer householder than a human householder? God forbid. Despite all our worries for the body we cannot be saved from old age, sickness, death and decay. Nevertheless we know that the Almighty has clothed our souls in this mysteriously woven tapestry, this body, fashioned from earthly materials. We consider it precious but Him we deem secondary, who will clothe us after death in an incomparably beautiful body, immortal and incorruptible, which will not suffer nor age. That is promised to us by the One who created us out of pure love, and who reserves His love as response to our love.

Fr. Callistratus of Mileseva (Serbia)



Parish Synodicon: Memory Eternal!

July 05, 1925 Athanasius Demchuk
July 05, 1970 Alexis Fedchin
July 07, 1984 Anna Cohen
July 09, 1971 Kuzma Savich
July 09, 2010 Tatiana Onuschak
July 10, 1951 Vassily Fetchina



Offerings for the week of July 3

Olive Oil – in memory of Michael and Justina; in memory of Vaschen and Emilia; for the health of Ekaterina Lewis (birthday); for the health of Larissa Kulick (birthday); for the health of Mark and Barbara Kulick (anniversary).

Wine – in thanksgiving to God; for the health of Atopere and in memory of Joan.

Flowers – for the health of Maria Torrisi (birthday); for Mrs. Galadi

Annual Parish Cemetery Envelope –

Memorials received to date – 7th Up-Date

In memory of Michael and Anna Tacak; in memory of Zahodnick, Kapusniak and Murzda families.

Vacation planning & Church Locations

The website Orthodoxy in America: www.orthodoxyinamerica enables you to find any Orthodox Church in USA and Canada. Vacation planning should always include our participation at the Divine Liturgy on every Sunday.

Parish Council Meeting

July 14th, Thursday at 7:00p.m.

The Calendar

- July Wed. Nights: 7-8p.m. "Lemonade & Informal Conversations at Rectory"
- July 10 – Marriage of Amanda Kita and Scott Nagele
- July 17 – Marriage of Catherine Gorbatuk & Christopher Brooks
- July 24 – Blessing of Autos, Bikes, Wagons, and other things that "make us move"
- Aug. 21- Parish Picnic
- Aug. 27-28 Visit of Bishop Michael to St. Nino Mission in Staten Island
- Aug. 28 – Prayers for Students & Teachers

A Prayer for Safe Travel

Is available after Sunday Divine Liturgy – request it when you venerate the Holy Cross.

Summer Offerings – Be Attentive

Please make your offerings to cover the time you may be away this Summer. Your regular support is needed and appreciated.

Thanks

To all for the contribution of foods for our parish patronal feast as well as for the preparation and clean-up. Photos of Ss. Peter & Paul Day (81) are on the parish website: www.ssppoc.org

Wednesdays of July – Lemonade & Informal Conversations 7-8p.m.

On these evenings for an hour we meet at the parish rectory for a cold glass of lemonade and engage in conversations about matters of life, with a focus on the spiritual and moral aspects. All are invited to converse, listen, question, share, or just have a cold drink. Come to the front door. Non-parishioners are also invited.

Remember in Prayer

Atopere (Sandy) Filippini.

A Custodian is sought

We are presently looking for someone to do custodial care for the lower hall. There is a recompense for this work. For details, speak with our Junior Warden, Austin Kachek.

NY-NJ Diocesan Youth Day – Aug. 18th

The Diocese is sponsoring a Youth Day at Great Adventure on Thursday, August 18th. All our young people are invited. For more information please go to the Diocesan Youth Day Website: www.dioceanyouthday.webs.com

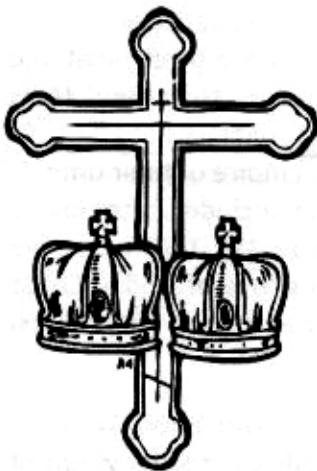
Summer Reading

In the summer, things take on a slower pace. Our Parish Library has a great selection of books for your edification. Church history, Lives of the Saints, Theological topics, Iconography, Architecture, etc. etc. When at the Coffee Hour, make a turn into the Library.

***Archpastoral Letter of His Grace, Bishop Michael,
RE-AFFIRMING THE SANCTITY OF MARRIAGE***

June 24, 2011

Feast of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist



Beloved Fathers and Mothers, Brothers and Sisters in the Lord:

Christ is in our midst! – He is and ever shall be!

On this very day, we have witnessed the successful efforts of public officials in the State of New York to legally re-define the meaning of marriage to include unions between two persons of the same gender. It is important for us, as Christians of the Orthodox Church, preserving the Tradition of teaching the truth handed down by the Lord Himself, “the faith which was once for all delivered to the Saints” (Jude 3), to re-affirm the meaning of marriage given to us in His Sacred Scripture.

In the document, **Affirmations on Marriage, Family, Sexuality, and the Sanctity of Life**, written and adopted by the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America in 1992, we read (in part) the following summary of the teaching of our Faith on this matter:

- 1) God wills that men and women marry, becoming husbands and wives. He commands them to increase and multiply in the procreation of children, being joined into “one flesh” by His divine grace and love. He wills that human beings live within families (Genesis 1:27; 2:21-24; Orthodox Marriage Service).*
- 2) The Lord went even further to declare that people who look at others to lust after them in their hearts have “committed adultery” (cf. Matthew 5:27-30).*
- 3) Christ’s apostles repeat the teachings of their Master, likening the unique marriage between one man and one woman to the union between Christ and His Church which they experience as the Lord’s very body and His bride (Ephesians 5:21-33; 2 Corinthians 11:2).*
- 4) Marriage and family life are to be defended and protected against every open and subtle attack and ridicule.*
- 5) Sexual intercourse is to be protected as a sacred expression of love within the community of heterosexual monogamous marriage in which alone it can be that for which God has given it to human beings for their sanctification.*

