

ST. NICHOLAS NEWS

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September 16, 2012

15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun., Sept. 16 15th Sunday of Pentecost. Martyred Bishop Anthimus.

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

Board Meeting

Wed., Sept. 19 Miracle of St. Michael at Colossae.

AM Pirohi Prep

Thu., Sept. 20 Pre-feast of the Birth of Holy Mary Theotokos

AM Pirohi Making

No Vespers for the Feast here. Vespers at St. George in Taylor at 6 PM

FRI., SEPT. 21 BIRTH OF HOLY MARY THEOTOKOS

No Divine Liturgy here. Liturgy at St. George's in Taylor at 9 AM.

9 AM to 4:30 PM Pirohi Sale

Sat., Sept. 22 Saturday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Vespers canceled for this evening

Sun., Sept. 23 SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS. *Within the Feast of the Birth of Holy Mary*

Theotokos. 16th Sunday of Pentecost.

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

CALENDAR EVENTS LOOKING AHEAD

Feast Days coming up:

- **Birth of Holy Mary Theotokos**, Fri., Sept. 21 (Sept. 8). The story of the birth of the Theotokos is found in a second century manuscript called the Proto-Gospel of James. Both Joachim and Anna had been praying for years for a child. One day while Joachim prayed in the desert and Anna at home, an Angel of the Lord appeared to both and announced the conception of a daughter who would have a great destiny. Overwhelmed with joy, Anna ultimately gave birth to Mary.
 - Although this is a Major Holy Day, I will not be able to celebrate services on the day (see below). However, I will offer the festal anointing (mirovanije) next Sunday on behalf of those who were not able to go Liturgy elsewhere on the feast.
- **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**, Thu., Sept. 27 (Sept. 14). This is a **Major Holy Day** of the Church, with the same obligations of observance as Sunday. This is a *Strict Fast Day*, as we remember Our Lord's willingness to suffer the Cross for our sakes.

Pirohi Sales are also scheduled for October 5 and October 19..

PEOPLE STUFF

Please remember in your prayers:

Deceased: Metropolitan Nicholas.

Living: Stephanie Bonk. Gloria Bracey. Susan Danchak. Gary Joyce. Joseph Kacaba. Lorraine Kacaba. Dee Lositski. Peggy Majcher. Emma Sacco. Amy Shimo. Connie Lou Slater Kathryn Stocoski. Jeff Thomas. Ann Marie Tigue. Gary Wassel. Julia Worobey.

At Home: Michael Andreosky. Elizabeth Basalyga. Steve & Julie Roberts. George & Anna Senich.

In Assisted Living Homes: Kathryn Derenick. Julie Kovacs. Irene Munchak. Julie Soares.

Altar Vigil Candles -

Mem. Of Gene Danchak - Susan Danchak & sons.

Mem Margaret Farkaly - Bill & Beverly Thomas.

Panachida: Gene Danchak, Jr. - Susan Danchak.

PARISH EVENTS

OTSA - The Orthodox Theological Society of America meets this coming Thursday through Saturday, 9/20 - 9/22 and I will be participating. Unfortunately, since the majority of Orthodox people in America are New Calendar, the Society has to give greater consideration to the schedule of the greater number of people. This means that I will not be able to celebrate services here for the Feast of the Birth of Holy Mary Theotokos.

As noted in the Parish Calendar, there will be services at St. George's in Taylor for the Feast, and we will offer the Festal Anointing (Mirovanije) here on Sunday for the benefit of those who cannot go there.

If there is an emergency, please call me on my cell phone and call Fr. Mark Leasure at 570-562-1170.

Next Pirohi Sale: this Friday, Sept. 21. Pirohi are on sale for \$7.00 per dozen.

Church School BEGINS! The First Day of Church School will be on Sunday, September 30, after Divine Liturgy.

- The Pre-school/Early Elementary Class will be led by Mrs. Terri DiMichele.
- The Middle School Class will be lead by Mrs. Nancy Barnett.
- The Junior/Senior Hi Class will be led by Fr. Nik.
- All classes will meet in the classrooms on the second floor of the hall if possible. The Hi School may have to meet in the rec room in the basement of the hall if their classroom is not ready..
- Parents are being emailed with more information.

75th Anniversary News. *Some folks have begun to sign up for the various committees!* Please consider helping to make this celebration a successful one. Sign up today!

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND HIS CHURCH

ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH

September 9, 2012

\$ 422.00	General Collection
\$ 10.00	1st Sunday
\$ 74.00	7 Day Light
\$1055.00	Pirohi
\$ 25.00	Holy Days
\$ 3.00	Maintenance & Repairs
\$1,589.00	Total Collection

DDD Donors 2012:

Frank Pucher	\$100.00
Steve & Julie Roberts	\$250.00
The Parish	\$100.00
William & Beverly Thomas	\$200.00
John & Rosemary Hrywnak	\$200.00
Julie Worobey	\$100.00
St. Nicholas Men's Club	\$100.00

Edward Bonk Jr,	\$100.00
William & Carol Wassel	\$200.00
Kathryn Stocoski	\$100.00
Altar Society	\$100.00.
Stephanie Bonk	\$100.00
Andrew Barnett	\$100.00

DIOCESAN NEWS

CAMP NAZARETH WORK WEEKEND AND RETREAT

The theme at camp this past season was that "The Church is the door to life." If the Church is the door to life then our beautiful Camp Nazareth is a pathway to the Church. For the second year we are organizing a work weekend over the Columbus Day weekend from October 5 through October 8, 2012.

Most people can arrive either Friday evening or Saturday morning and we will try to complete all work projects through noon on Monday. There is much to be done including new projects, repairs to existing facilities and cleaning.

All are welcome, boys and girls, men and women. Lodging, food and beverages will be provided. Come and help renew our camp and pray with us in the beautiful Sts. Cyril and Methodius Church.

Please notify Fr. Dn. Jim Phifer of Holy Ghost Parish if you intend to participate. His E-Mail address is frdnjamesphifer@gmail.com or call at 610-630-0506.

OTHER TIMES, OTHER PLACES

Rummage Sale

- Ss. Cyril and Methodius Ukrainian Catholic Church, Olyphant, Penna.
- 2nd Annual "Hometown Rummage Sale"
- Fund Raiser for the Celebration of the 125th Anniversary of the Church, 1888-2013
- *Where:* At the American Legion Hall, Raymond Henry Post #327 at 101 Willow Ave/Lackawanna Ave. Olyphant, Penna. (by the Bank)

- *When:* SEPTEMBER 21, 22, 23, 2012
 - Friday, Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 - Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Refreshments will be available by the American Legion.
- Contact:
 - Lauren Telep, at 570-383-0319 for more information.
 - Rev. Nestor Iwasiw, Pastor, Telephone 570-489-2271
 - Websites:
 - <http://www.stcyrils.maslar-online.com/>
 - www.parishesonline.com/sscyrilmethodiusblakely

Carpathian Festival

- St. Michael Church, 298 Clinton St., Binghamton, NY.
- Sunday, September 23, 11AM to 6 PM
- Food: Pirohi, Halushki, Kolbasi, Gulash, Baked Delicacies
- Tours of St. Michael Church
- Children's Games and Raffles
- St. Michael's Carpathian Dancers
- Dancing to Jeff Nyschot's Groove.

Cookbooks For Sale

- St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, Homestead, PA, the Mothers & Daughters Guild
- \$17 plus S/H
- To purchase, call
 - Flo: 412-466-7103 *or*
 - Stephanie: 412-271-6907
- See Flyer in Hall

Harvest Moon Festival

- Holy Name of Mary Catholic Church, 278 South Main St., Montrose, PA
- Columbus Day Weekend: Oct. 6 & 7
- Ethnic Foods, Live Entertainment, Fire truck Rides & MORE. See Flyer in Hall