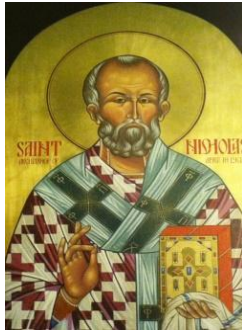


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SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2017 - THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL, THE HOLY MARTYR LONGINUS

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 29 – Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost – Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council / Martyr Longinus

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns – Blue Pew Book – Tropar Tone 4 (p. 90) and Prokimen Tone 4 (p. 92) / Special Hymns pp. 114-115

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20 Gospel: Luke 8:5-15

Panachida for Veronica Czibik given by Laurence Czibik.

Thursday, November 2 – 6:30 PM – Moleben to Saint Nektarios (*with anointing*)

Sunday, November 5 – Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost – Apostle James, Brother of our Lord

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns – Tone 5 – Blue Pew Book pp. 93-95

Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Confessions: (30 minutes) Prior to as well as following scheduled services. When you come for Confession, please prepare yourself and sit in the front pew. If you cannot make the scheduled service times, please let me know and we can set up a time that is convenient for you. Thank you!

Please Keep in Your Prayers

Living : Fr. Lawrence Barriger. Fr. Michael Polanichka. Fr. John Gido. Fr. George Hutnyan. Fr. James Gleason. Fr. Tom Kadlec. Fr. George Dursa. Fr. Jonathan Tobias. Fr. Michael Rustick. Fr. John Baranik. Fr. Nicholas Wyborski. Fr. John Zboyovski. Fr. Robert E. Lucas. Deacon James Phifer. Pani Donna Smoley. Pani Linda Barriger. Pani Constance Miloro. Pani Amy George. Pani Peggy Teklinski. Reese: Eric, Tamsen, James, Gineva, Benjamin, and Thomas. Stephen Barnett. Ann Richardson. Joseph Kacaba. Lorraine Kacaba. Lovie Swingle. Stephanie Bonk. Joseph Majcher Sr. Joseph Majcher Jr. Bill Wassel. Owen Bonn. Gloria Bracey. Susan Danchak. Michael Danchak. Jada Eiden. Madelyn Hodanich. Margaret Skotlewski. Johnny Huniyack. Anna Mae Kuklis. Rose Markiewicz. Mary Phillips. John Polanichka. Dana Polanichka. Karen Rolka. JoyAnn Scarnato. Amy Shimo. Faye Snell. Russell Spilka. Rita Sher. Jeff Thomas. Janet Pugh. AnnMarie Tigie. Gary Wassel. Michael Coviello. Mary Kay Wroblewsky.

At home : Michael Andreosky. Elizabeth Basalyga. Anna Senich.

Assisted Living : Marion Sosnowski. Delores Naglak. Susan Danchak.

Eternal light : In memory of Veronica Czibik given by Family.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND OUR CHURCH:

Parish Life

October 22, 2017

\$526.50	General Collection
\$10.00	First Sunday
\$71.00	7 Day Light
\$1,151.00	Pirohi
\$20.00	Holy Days
\$465.00	Church Dues
\$17.00	Maintenance and Repairs
\$19.00	Heat Offering
\$9.00	Taper Candles
<u>\$14.00</u>	<u>Eternal Light</u>
\$2,302.50	Total Collection

FILL UP THE BREADBASKETS OF NEPA!

Please remember those families who rely upon food donations to help make ends meet! We have a food donation container in the Church Hall, and ***we need your help*** to fill this container with non-perishable food items: cans, dry goods, etc.

“Then the King will say to those on His right hand, ‘Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food...’”



- The **2018 Church calendars** are in! They can be picked up in the Church Hall.

FALL 2017 PIROHI SCHEDULE		
Wednesday Prep	Thursday Pinching	Friday Sales
<i>November 1</i>	<i>November 2</i>	<i>November 3</i>
November 15	November 16	November 17
November 29	November 30	December 1
December 13	December 14	December 15

- The **Altar Society** will meet **next Sunday November 5** immediately following Liturgy.
- The **next Sunday School class** will be held **Sunday November 12** immediately following Liturgy.
- The **Men's Club** will meet **Sunday November 12** immediately following Liturgy.
- The **Parish Board** will meet **Sunday November 19** immediately following Liturgy.

NEWS AROUND THE DEANERY / DIOCESE / COMMUNITY

(for more info, or to register, please go to www.acrod.org or www.campnazareth.org)

5th Anniversary of His Grace Bishop Gregory! This November 27, 2017 marks the five-year Anniversary of His Grace, Bishop Gregory's consecration and enthronement as our Diocesan hierarch! On November 27 at the Holiday Inn in Johnstown, PA, Prayers of Thanksgiving will take place at 5:00 PM and a Dinner will follow at 6:00 PM. **If you and your family wish to go, please fill out and mail the form with check by November 6!** (*If you did not receive a form, please see Father Daniel!*)

Annual Deanery DDD Dinner! - This year's Pocono Deanery DDD (*Distinguished Diocesan Donors*) Dinner for those who gave at least \$100 to the DDD Fund will take place **next Sunday, November 5, 2017** at St. George's Hall in Taylor, PA. Thank you!

JOHNSTOWN, PA [National Jr. ACRY] – The Annual Fall Youth Encounter will take place from **Friday Nov 10 – Sunday Nov 12, 2017 at Camp Nazareth in Mercer, PA.** The Encounter is sponsored by the National Jr. ACRY and is **open to youth ages 8-18.** All Diocesan youth are invited and do not have to be a member of the Jr. ACRY to attend.

Join us for a weekend of fun and fellowship that will include Divine Liturgy, a religious talk with clergy, sports, and some special events that we hope will make this Jr. Encounter one of a kind.

The encounter will begin with arrival and registration on Friday, Nov 10th from 7:00 to 9:00pm and will conclude on Sunday Nov 12 at Noon following the celebration of Divine Liturgy at 9:00 AM and Brunch. Parents are invited to join us for Divine Liturgy on Sunday morning!

To register, please do the following:

- 1. Please e-mail Rachel Pribish at rachelprib@gmail.com by Wednesday, November 1st. Include name of Encounter participant, age, and any food allergies.**
- 2. Download and mail completed registration forms (Camper Registration and Media Release Form) and a check made out to "National Jr. ACRY" for \$90 by Wednesday, November 1st to:**

**Rachel Pribish
668 S. Broad St.
Elizabeth, NJ 07202**

In addition, we are seeking counselors for the weekend to supervise the campers. An application for those interested in a counseling position can be found below. Please note that in order to be considered as a counselor, volunteers must have all of their required PA clearances (Child Abuse Clearance, Criminal Record Check Clearance, FBI Fingerprinting Clearance, and Mandated Reporter Training). Registration fees will be waived for any adults who are asked to be a counselor for the weekend. Please contact Rachel with any questions.

Any adults who will be staying at camp for the weekend as volunteers, but not counselors are asked to complete the Volunteer Application form.

Space is limited! Participants will be accommodated on a first come, first serve basis. So sign up today!

Please contact National Jr. ACRY Advisor, Rachel Pribish at rachelprib@gmail.com or (908)-247-2269 for further information.

Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church is sponsoring a **Christmastime bus trip to New York City on Saturday, December 9, 2017.** There will be three stops in Manhattan: the Ukrainian Village on the lower East Side, Bryant Park's Winter Village housing 125 vendors in midtown, and the Christmassy Fifth Avenue area. There will be opportunity to buy some tasty Slavic goodies, see many beautiful Christmas decorations as only New York City can do it including the famous Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center, and more! Participants can follow the above three-stop itinerary or are free to do their own thing for part or all of the day. Departure from St. Vladimir Church, [428 North Seventh Avenue](#) will be at 8:00am and departure from New York City for home will be at 8:30pm. Cost is \$42.00 per person. For additional details and to make reservations contact Paul Ewasko at [570 563-2275](tel:5705632275).

Annual Harvest Dinner sponsored by St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will take place on Sunday, November 12, 2017 starting at 12:30pm at the St. Vladimir Parish Center ([428 North Seventh Avenue, Scranton PA](#)). There will be roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, hot vegetables, dinner rolls, dessert, coffee, tea and beverages. The price for adults is \$13.00, and for students ages 6 to 12 is \$8.00. There will be no charge for children age 5 and under. Please note that reservations will close Monday, November 6 - no tickets sold at the door. Take-outs are available by advance order and must be picked up promptly between 11:30am and 12:00 noon. Several door prizes will be awarded along with a Basket of Cheer raffle. For reservations contact Maria Black at [570 503-1514](tel:5705031514).

THE HOLY MARTYR LONGINUS, THE CENTURION

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“ The divine Matthew the Evangelist, in describing the passion of the Lord Jesus Christ, says: *Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earth quake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly saying, 'Truly this was the Son of God'* (Matt. 27:54).

That centurion was the blessed Longinus, who with two other of his soldiers came to believe in Jesus, the Son of God. Longinus was chief of the soldiers who were present at the Crucifixion of the Lord on Golgotha, and was also the chief of the watch that guarded the tomb. When the Jewish elders learned of the Resurrection of Christ, they bribed the soldiers to spread the false news that Christ did not resurrect, but rather that His disciples stole His body.

The Jews also tried to bribe Longinus, but he did not allow himself to be bribed. Then the Jews resorted to their usual strategy: they decided to kill Longinus. Learning of this, Longinus removed his military belt, was baptized with his two companions by an apostle, secretly left Jerusalem and moved to Cappadocia with his companions. There he devoted himself to fasting and prayer as a living witness of Christ's Resurrection, and converted many pagans to the true Faith by his witness. ”



“ After that, he withdrew to a village on the estate of his father. Even there, however, the malice of the Jews did not leave him in peace. Due to the calumnies of the Jews, Pilate dispatched soldiers to behead Longinus. Saint Longinus foresaw in the spirit the approach of his executioners and went out to meet them. He brought them to his home, not telling them who he was. He was a good host to the soldiers, and soon they lay down to sleep.

But Saint Longinus stood up to pray, and prayed all night long, preparing himself for death. In the morning, he called his two companions to him, clothed himself in white burial clothes, and instructed the other members of his household to bury him on a particular small hill. He then went to the soldiers and told them that he was that Longinus whom they were seeking. The soldiers were perplexed and ashamed, and could not even contemplate beheading Longinus, but he insisted they fulfill the order of their superior. Thus, Longinus and his two companions were beheaded. The soldiers took Longinus's head to Pilate, and he turned it over to the Jews. They threw it on a dung heap outside the city. ”

Troparion (Tone 4)

O Lord our God, your holy martyr Longinus * has deserved the crown of immortality * on account of his good fight. * Armed with your strength, he has vanquished his persecutors * and crushed Satan's dreadful might. * Through his supplications, O Christ our God, save our souls.