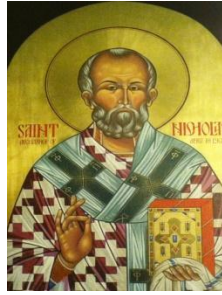


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SUNDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2016

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 6 – Martyr Arethas

(Annual Parish Meeting today!)

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Tone 3 – Blue Pew Book – pp. 87-89

Epistle: Galatians 1:11-19

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Panachida for Walter Orzolek.

Tuesday, November 8 – Great Martyr Demetrius the Wonder-Worker

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Special Hymns – Blue Pew Book – pp. 115-116

Epistle: 2 Timothy 2:1-10

Gospel: John 15:17-16:2

Saturday, November 12 – Memorial Liturgy for Kathryn Stocoski given by John and Mary Brizinski

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns for the Deceased – Blue Pew Book – pp. 235-240

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 3:12-18

Gospel: Luke 8:16-21

Sunday, November 13 – The Apostle Stachys of the Seventy

(DDD Dinner today!)

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Tone 4 – Blue Pew Book – pp. 90-92

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

Confessions: Before/after scheduled services or by appointment.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

Singing: Fr. Lawrence Barriger. Fr. Michael Polanichka. Fr. John Gido. Fr. George Hutnyan. Fr. James Gleason. Fr. Tom Kadlec. Fr. George Dursa. Fr. Donald Valasek. Fr. Michael Rustick. Fr. John Zboyovski. Fr. Robert E. Lucas. Pani Donna Smoley. Pani Linda Barriger. Pani Peggy Teklinski. Reese: Eric, Tamsen, James, Gineva, Benjamin, and Thomas. Anna Richardson. Joseph Kacaba. Stephanie Bonk. Owen Bonn. Gloria Bracey. Bob Chalk. Susan Danchak. Ricky, Rick & Sarah. Michael Danchak. Jada Eiden. Tammy Hall. Heather Harris. Robert Hawley. Madelyn Hodanich. Johnny Huniyack. Lorraine Kacaba. Anna Mae Kuklis. John Lange. Rose Markiewicz. Mary Phillips. John Polanichka. Karen Rolka. JoyAnn Scarnato. Amy Shimo. Faye Snell. Patricia Snell. Russell Spilka. Jeff Thomas. AnnMarie Tigue. Gary Wassel. Eugene Vaskalis.

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

Assisted Singing: Julie Roberts. Marion Sosnowski. Delores Naglak. Mary Kneiss. Susan Danchak.

Eternal light: In memory of Walter Orzolek given by the Bonk Family.

Parish News and Information

FILL UP THE BREADBASKETS OF NEPA!

Please continue to remember and support 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.

Since last December, we have collected and distributed 24 boxes of food! Keep it up!

“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...***”

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND OUR CHURCH:

OCTOBER 30, 2016

\$417.00	General Collection
\$70.00	7 Day Light
\$14.00	Eternal Light
\$13.00	Taper Candles
\$985.00	Chicken Dinner
\$100.00	Memory of Veronica Czibik
\$50.00	Memory of Walter Orzolek
\$50.00	Memory of Kathryn Stocoski
\$1,699.00	Total Collection

FALL 2016 PIROHI SCHEDULE		
Wednesday PREP 7:30 AM	Thursday PINCHING 8:00 AM	Friday SALES 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
October 5	October 6	October 7
October 19	October 20	October 21
November 2	November 3	November 4
<u>November 9 (Prep/Pinching)</u>		
November 16	November 17	November 18
November 30	December 1	December 2
<u>December 7</u>	<u>December 8</u>	
December 14	December 15	December 16

- Please note the extra days added for pirohi-making prior to the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays.
- Also, "Thank You!" to all those who are working so hard to make our Pirohi Sales a success! We could always use more help!

Upcoming Events - MARK THE DATES!

The Annual Parish Meeting

Please remember that the quorum for an Annual Meeting is **25 members**. All parishioners are encouraged to attend **today** and participate in the operation of St. Nicholas Church. As always, all nominations for office are welcome. Three positions on the Parish Board will officially be up for election.

Also, if you have any topics you would like to be presented at the meeting, you can either contact Jane Togher or place them in the suggestion box located in the Church hall in order to have them added to the agenda. We look forward to seeing you at the parish meeting!

- The **Annual Parish Meeting** will take place **today** immediately following Divine Liturgy. ALL PARISHIONERS ARE KINDLY ASKED TO ATTEND! THANK YOU!
- Our next **Sunday School Class** will be held next **Sunday, November 13.**
- The **Parish Board Meeting** for November is scheduled for **Sunday, November 20.**
- **Community Service Opportunity!** Volunteers will be needed at the Scranton Cultural Center for the ***Friends of the Poor Thanksgiving Dinner*** → Tuesday before Thanksgiving (**morning prep and evening serving**), as well as the ***Family to Family Program*** → Wednesday before Thanksgiving (**distribution of turkey and food baskets**). Please help those in need!
- **Sunday School** will meet again on **Sunday, November 27.**
- The **Parish Board Meeting** for December is scheduled for **Sunday December 4.**
- Our church will host a **cookie sale** on **Friday, December 16** (the day of the final pirohi sale before Christmas). We need cookies and other baked goods!
- Our **Annual St. Nicholas Day Dinner** is scheduled for **Sunday December 18.** The idea of having a potluck dinner has been discussed. More information is forthcoming!

News Around the Diocese

Dedication and Blessing of Habitat for Humanity Memorial Building Project – Perth Amboy, NJ (St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church) --- St. John's Church is pleased to announce the dedication and blessing of the Habitat for Humanity Memorial Building Project as set for Wednesday, December 7, 2016! This is an exciting moment as the project is nearing completion through the labors and contributions of so many Diocesan Faithful.

A highlight of the dedication ceremony will be the presence of Pani Susan Rosco, and it is desired that as many Diocesan faithful as possible also be in attendance. In keeping with the spirit of service, a final work week in association with this dedication will take place from December 5th through the 10th. IOCC has graciously agreed to coordinate this aspect of the trip. It is hoped to have some social gatherings at night including a night on the town in New Orleans.

Registration: Will be done through IOCC and their website. This information is being distributed so that Diocesan faithful may begin to make plans that fit their schedules.

Cost/Logistics: The Volunteer contribution is \$350 per person which includes local transportation, room and board, materials, supplies, tools and site supervision. Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older, but 16 and 17 year-olds are accepted if they are accompanied by their parent, legal guardian, or an adult with a power-of-attorney to act on their behalf for the duration of the deployment. Individuals (or groups) are responsible to travel to the build city on their own, but ground transportation will be provided from the local airport(s) to the housing site.

Anyone interested in participating in this glorious moment is asked to contact Fr. Michael Chendorain at fathermikec@verizon.net or (732) 826-4442 as soon as possible.

REGISTRATION FOR THE FALL YOUTH ENCOUNTER ENDS TODAY!

Fall Youth Encounter to take place at Camp Nazareth! (Nov 11th-13th, 2016) Johnstown, PA (National Jr. ACRY) – The Annual Fall Youth Encounter will take place from Friday November 11 – Sunday November 13, 2016, 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.

The weekend will be full of fun and fellowship, and will include the Divine Liturgy, a religious talk with clergy, sports, and a special event that is sure to be a highlight of the weekend!

The Encounter will begin with arrival and registration on Friday from 7:00PM – 9:00 PM and will conclude on Sunday at Noon following the celebration of the Divine Liturgy at 9:00 AM with a Brunch to follow.

To register, please do the following:

1. Please email asudik93@verizon.net **TODAY**. Include the name of the Encounter participant, his/her age, and any food allergies.
2. Download and mail the completed registration forms (pages 3-7) and a check made out to National Jr. ACRY for \$90.00 **TODAY** to:

Angela Sudik 832 Northridge Dr. Pittsburgh, PA 15216
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Our Annual Deanery Distinguished Diocesan Donors (DDD) Dinner for those who gave at least \$100 to the DDD Fund will be held next Sunday November 13th, 2016 at Saint George's Hall in Taylor, PA.

Community Events/News

Saint Michael's Ukrainian Orthodox Church will be having a Brunch next Sunday, November 13, 2016 at 12:00 Noon to celebrate their Feast Day. There will be ham, eggs, potatoes, kielbasa, roll, fruit, Danish, and beverages. There will also be a drawing for raffle prizes. Cost for adults is \$10.00 and for children is \$5.00. Children under 5 are free! **PLEASE RSVP BY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2016!**

St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church's Annual Harvest Dinner will be held on **Sunday, November 20, 2016** starting at **12:30pm** at **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, for students age 6 to 12 is \$8.00, and there is no charge for children age 5 and under. **Advance reservations close Sunday, November 13 - no tickets will be sold at the door. Take-outs are available, but must be picked up promptly between 11:30am and 12:00 noon.** Also, tickets will be available for a Basket of Cheer raffle and a 50/50 drawing. For reservations please contact Dorothy Fleck at [570 346-4164](tel:5703464164).

The Lives of the Saints

The Holy Martyr Arethas

Text from: THE PROLOGUE of Ohrid (VOLUME TWO: July-December)

“This holy martyr suffered for the Christian Faith with over four thousand Christians – priests, monks and nuns, women and children. Arethas was the eparch in the town of Nagran, in the southern Arabian land of Omir. He was 95 years old when he suffered. Dunaan, a cruel Jewish persecutor of Christians, then governed Omir. Determined to eradicate all Christians from his land, he surrounded the Christian town of Nagran, and sent a message to the people saying he would put them all to death unless they renounced Christ. The citizens closed the gates, and Dunaan attacked the city wall for a long time without success. Then the iniquitous governor swore to the citizens that he would do nothing to them, if only they would open the gate for him to enter and receive the tribute that they owed him – and that he would take it and immediately withdraw. The Christians believed him and opened the gate. Then the oath-breaking Jew summoned the aged Arethas, the clergy and other distinguished citizens and beheaded them all with the sword. He then perpetrated a horrible slaughter in the town. Learning of this, the Byzantine Emperor Justin was greatly grieved, and wrote a letter to the Ethiopian Emperor, Elesbaan, requesting him to set out with an army against Dunaan to avenge the innocent blood of the Christians. Elesbaan obeyed Justin, attacked the governor of Omir with his army, defeated him, slew his entire army, and beheaded him. By a revelation from God, a certain devout man named Abramius was installed as governor of Omir, and again by God's revelation, Saint Gregory of Omir was installed as archbishop. Christians rebuilt the Church of the Holy Trinity (in Nagran) that Dunaan had burned, and also built a church to the Holy Martyr Arethas and the other martyrs of Nagran. Saint Arethas and the others suffered and received martyr's crowns from the Lord in the year 523.”

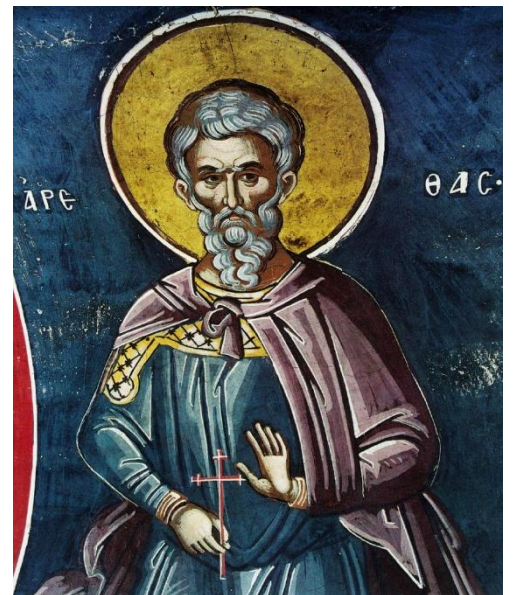


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