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September 22, 2013

13th Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday Before the Feast of the Holy Cross

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun., Sept. 22 13th Sunday after Pentecost. Sunday Before the Holy Cross. Grandparents of the Lord Joachim and Anna.

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy - Special Sheets

Meeting of Church School parents with Fr. Nik in big classroom upstairs.

Wed., Sept. 25 Last Day of the Feast of the Birth of Holy Mary Theotokos. Mar. Bp. Autonomous

AM *Pirohi Prep*

Thu., Sept. 26 Pre-feast of the Holy Cross.

9:00 AM *Pirohi Making*

7:00 PM Great Vespers with Litija

FRI., SEPT. 27 EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

9:00 AM Installation of the Holy Cross. Divine Liturgy.

Strict Fast today

9:30 AM – 4:30 PM *Pirohi Sale*

Sun., Sept. 29 14th Sunday after Pentecost. Sunday After the Holy Cross.

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy - Special Sheets

FEASTS & FASTS

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS, Fri., Sept. 27 (Sept. 14). This is a **Major Holy Day** of the Church. This is a *Strict Fast Day*, as we remember *Our Lord's willingness to suffer the Cross for our sakes.*

PEOPLE STUFF

Please remember in your prayers:

Deceased: Irene Munchak

Living: Stephanie Bonk. Gloria Bracey. Mary Chupron. Susan Danchak. Michael Danchak. Jada Eiden. Robert & Eddie Hawley. Lorraine Kacaba. Dawn, Warren & Colten Kieffer. Anna Mae Kuklis. Dee Lositski. Peggy Majcher. Emma Sacco. Amy Shimo. Connie Lou Slater. Faye Snell. Jeff Thomas. William Thomas. Ann Marie Tigue. Gary Wassel. Julia Worobey. Eric Youshock.

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

In Assisted Living Homes: Julie Kovacs.

Eternal Light: Memory of Margaret Farkaly & Richard Farkaly by Bev and Bill Thomas.

Panachida: Eugene Danchak, Jr by Susan Danchak

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND HIS CHURCH

September 15, 2013

\$ 752.25	General Collection
\$ 30.00	1 st Sunday
\$ 94.00	7 Day Lights
\$ 12.00	Taper Candles
\$ 63.00	Holy Days
\$ 1143.00	Pirohi
\$ 139.00	Maintenance & Repairs
\$ 2233.25	Total Collection

PARISH STUFF

Parish 75th Anniversary, October 27:

- Divine Liturgy will be at 10:00 AM that day.
- Banquet tickets will be \$30 each for adults.
- There will be a menu choice of beef, chicken or fish for the meal.
- As you have seen in the letter, we have worked up special prices for parish children in order to encourage all of our parishioners to attend the banquet.
- *If you did not receive your letter yet*, please let the Parish Board know immediately and they will get you one.

2nd Pirohi Sale this week The first one went well, but we definitely need more help! See Calendar for days and times.

Church School News. Today, I would like to meet with all the Church School parents upstairs in the big classroom. We can have this little meeting as soon as I get over to the hall. I do not anticipate it taking very long.

Adult Enrichment Gatherings: Next AEG will be on Wednesday, Oct. 2, at 6 PM.

Candlesticks and Lamps. You may have noticed that most of the Candlesticks on the altar and in front of the Iconostasis are looking a bit worse for wear. What you may not have noticed is that the 6 sticks on the Main Altar and the floorstands in front of the icon screen are breaking up – literally. We have decided to replace these candlesticks in 2 ways:

- We are resurrecting the old brass candlesticks for the 3 altars and the altar servers. They are well-made cast and worked brass – modern stuff just can't compete with the old tried and true. The Main Altar will have two 3-branched candlesticks, as laid out in the rubrics, and there will be 2 single candlesticks for each Side Altar and for the servers. The cost for refurbishing these will be
 - Each 3-branched candle is \$300.

- Each single candle is \$100.
- The four floor candle stands in front of the icon screen will be replaced with hanging lamps. We don't have a final price on these yet, but they will be, I hope, around \$100 each. I will get a final number as soon as possible.
 - BTW, we are keeping the best of the floor candle stands for use by the Icon Analogy and other liturgical uses.

We would like to offer those who originally donated items to have the first opportunity to donate the replacements. You will need to reach Fr. Nik today to let him know. After today, donations are open to anyone::

- Those who donated the current Main Altar candlesticks would have first dibs on any of the Altar candlesticks.
- Those who donated the four main icons on the icon screen would have first dibs on the new hanging lamps.
- *However*, we have no available complete record of who donated what, so we only know a few of those people.
- *So, . . . Everyone* is welcome to make a donation, but if people identify themselves as an original donor by today, they move to the top of the pack.

We want to have this project completed for the 75th anniversary celebration. If anyone wishes to make a donation, please speak with one of the Officers of the Parish Board.

FROM THE DIOCESE

OTHER STUFF

11TH ANNUAL UKRAINIAN FOOD FESTIVAL – St. Michaels Orthodox Church on 540 North Main Ave., Scranton. Sunday, Sept. 22 from 11AM– PM. We will feature our homemade Ukrainian food such as: Halushky, Pyrohy, Halupchi, Kielbasi, Cabbage, and delicious deserts. All are welcome!