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9TH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

PARISH CALENDAR

Sun., Aug. 10 9th Sunday of Pentecost. Apostles & Deacons Prochorus et al.

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy – pp. 102–104

Thu., Aug. 14 Procession of the Life-Giving Cross.

Dormition Fast Begins

Sat., Aug. 16 Myrrhbearer Salome

Noon to 4 PM: Barbequed Chicken Dinner & Bake Sale.

Sun., Aug. 17 10th Sunday of Pentecost. 7 Martyred Children of Ephesus.

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy – pp. 81–83

Parish Board Meets

FEASTS . . . & FASTS

Fasts: The next Fasting Period coming up is the Dormition Fast, which begins this Thursday, Aug. 14 and ends on August 27.

Feasts: The next feasts upcoming are two great Feasts of the Church: The Transfiguration of Our Lord on Mount Tabor (Tue., Aug. 19) and the Dormition of Holy Mary Theotokos (Thurs., Aug. 28).

PEOPLE STUFF

Please remember in your prayers:

Living: Stephanie Bonk. Gloria Bracey. Mary Chupron. Susan Danchak. Ricky, Rick & Sarah. Michael Danchak. Fr. George Dursa. Jada Eiden. Robert & Eddie Hawley. Lorraine Kacaba. Anna Mae Kuklis. Dee Lositski. Peggy Majcher. Mildred Orzolek. Emma Sacco. Amy Shimo. Connie Lou Slater. Faye Snell. Marion Sosnowski. Russell Spilka. Jeff Thomas. Ann Marie Tigue. Fr. Donald Valasek.

Gary Wassel. Julia Worobey.

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

Assisted Living Homes: Michael Besket. Julie Kovacs. Julie Roberts.

Eternal Light: Memory of Floyd Swingle, Sr. - Iim & Evelyn Reese.

Panachida: George Costianes - Fr. Nik.

PARISH STUFF

Chicken Barbeque & Bake Sale! The St. Nicholas Men's Club is holding a Barbequed Chicken Dinner on Saturday, August 16, from Noon to 4 PM at the Parish Hall, 505 Jefferson Ave., Scranton, PA.

The Dinner Menu will be ½ BBQ'd Chicken, Fresh Corn on the Cob, Potato, Tomato-and-Cucumber Salad.

The St. Nicholas Altar Society is holding a Bake Sale in conjunction with the Dinner and Fresh Baked Goods will be available for purchase in the hall.

If you are planning to contribute to the bake sale, please let Carol Pugh know at 570-489-2321 or Toots638@comcast.net.

Dinners are \$10 each. Advanced Reservations are preferred, to be returned by August 9.

For Reservations, Tickets or more information, please contact Bill Wassel at 570-241-3700 or bwassel@hibblerealty.com.

Parish Board meets next Sunday after Divine Liturgy.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND HIS CHURCH

Sunday, August 3, 2014

\$ 784.00	General Collection
\$ 326.00	1 st Sunday
\$ 80.00	7-day Candles
\$ 139.00	Holy Days
\$ 180.00	Dues
\$ 35.00	Maintenance & Repairs
\$ 8.00	Tapers
\$ 7.00	Eternal Light
\$ 1559.00	Total Collection

Paint-the-Town collection was \$125.00.

FROM THE DIOCESE & OTHER STUFF

Flea Market!!! Something for Everyone. At Sacred Heart Church of Peckville.

LOCATION: 1101 Willow Street, Peckville, Pa

CONTACT: 570-383-3244

DIRECTIONS: Main Avenue to Mid-Valley Hospital/Out Patient Clinic, bear right (coming from Dickson City), Turn left (coming from Eynon), turn right on Electric Street and then turn left on Willow Street. (Located 2 blocks from Mid-Valley Hospital) Plenty of FREE PARKING in Church's Parking Lot

Still going on today, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Huge flea market, many new items available, plus food, and instant bingo!

23rd Annual Ukrainian Folk Festival celebrating Ukraine's Independence Day. Sunday, August 24, starting at 12:00 noon. At the Ukrainian American Sport Center Tryzub, County Line and Lower State Rds., Horsham, PA. Enjoy an outdoor concert of Ukrainian Folk and Modern Dance, Music and Song, Featuring Dance Ensembles from Whippany, NJ & Jenkintown, PA. Also, violinist Innesa Tymychko Dekajlo from Lviv, Vox Ethnika Orchestra from New York and the Spiv Zhytthia Chamber Choir from Washington, DC. Ukrainian ethnic foods, baked goods, picnic fare and refreshments available. For info: see flyer on Bulletin Board and/or 267-664-3857, www.tryzub.org.

SS BORIS & GLEB

July 24/August 6

Saint Boris was one of the sons of St Vladimir, Prince of Kiev who became Christian with all of his country,

and was named Romanus at his Baptism. After their father's death the eldest son Sviatopolk planned to kill his brothers Boris, Gleb, and Yaroslav in order to seize power. He sent a message to Boris, pretending that he wished to live in peace with him, and to increase Boris's land holdings inherited from their father.

Some of Vladimir's advisers told Boris that he should take the army and establish himself as ruler of Kiev. St Boris, however, said that he could never lift his hand against his own brother. Unfortunately, Sviatopolk was not so scrupulous. He came to the town of Vyshegorod to ask its leaders if they were loyal to him. They assured him that they were ready to die for him.

Sviatopolk sent assassins to the Alta to kill Boris, who already knew that his brother wanted him dead. When they arrived they heard him chanting psalms and praying before an icon of Christ. He asked the Lord to strengthen him for the suffering he was about to endure. He also prayed for Sviatopolk, asking God not to count this against him as sin.

Then he lay down upon his couch, and the assassins stabbed him with their lances, and also killed some of Boris's servants. Wrapping Boris in a cloth, they threw him onto a wagon and drove off with him. When Sviatopolk saw that he was still breathing, he sent some men to finish him off with swords.

St Boris received the crown of martyrdom in 1015. He and his brother Gleb became known as Passion-Bearers, since they did not resist evil with violence.

Saint Gleb was named David at his Baptism. After Sviatopolk had killed Boris, he wondered, "Now how can I kill Gleb?" He sent him a message saying that their father was ill and wished to see him. As he was on his way, he received word from Yaroslav that their father had died and that Sviatopolk had murdered Boris.

St Gleb wept for his father and brother, and was lamenting them when the assassins arrived. They seized his boat and drew their weapons, but it was Gleb's cook Torchin who stabbed him with a knife.

The martyr's body was thrown onto the shore between two trees. Later, he was buried beside St Boris in the church of St Basil.