The Saint Nicholas Chronicle



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SUNDAY MAY 20, 2018 - Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

PARISH CALENDAR

<u>Sunday May 20</u> – Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council (Seventh Sunday of Pascha)

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) – pp. 211-212 (includes Antiphons and Glorification from the Feast of Ascension)

Epistle: Acts 20:16-18, 28-36 **Gospel:** John 17:1-13

Panachida for Richard Czibik given by Laurence Czibik.

Thursday May 24 - Feast of Saints Cyril and Methodius, Equals to the Apostles and Teachers of the Slavs

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) – p. 159

Epistle: Colossians 3:12-16 Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

<u>Saturday May 26</u> – Fifth All-Souls Saturday (Virgin Martyr Glyceria)

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns for the Departed (Blue Pew Book) – pp. 235-240

Epistle: Acts 28:1-31 Gospel: John 21:15-25

THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

Saturday May 26 – 6:00 PM – Great Vespers

Sunday May 27 – 9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy (with kneeling prayers and procession at the end of Liturgy)

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) – pp. 213-216

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11 **Gospel:** John 7:37-52, 8:12

Monday May 28 – Pentecost Monday (Day of the Holy Spirit)

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) - pp. 216-217 (with Antiphons, Entrance Hymn, Tropar, Kondak, and Glorification from Pentecost)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 13:11-13 **Gospel:** Matthew 18:10-20; 28:18-20

<u>Please note</u>: Father Daniel will once again be blessing graves for Memorial Day on Monday, May 28, 2018 at St. Nicholas, Abington Hills, and Fairview cemeteries. If you want the names of your departed loved ones read during the Panachida at the cemetery (there will be three Panachidas, one at each cemetery), please fill out the form given with the bulletin. Also, this year, please be aware that in the event of rain, the grave blessings will be rescheduled. Thank you!

Confessions: (30 minutes) <u>Prior to</u> as well as <u>following scheduled services</u>. 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

<u>Siving</u>: Fr. Lawrence Barriger. Fr. Michael Polanichka. Fr. John Gido. Fr. Luke Mihaly.

Fr. George Hutnyan. Fr. James Gleason. Fr. Tom Kadlec. Fr. George Dursa. Fr. John Baranik.

Fr. Jonathan Tobias. Fr. Michael Rustick. 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. Stephen Barnett.

Ann Richardson. Joseph Kacaba. Lorraine Kacaba. Lovie Swingle. Stephanie Bonk.

Bill Wassel. Owen Bonn. Gloria Bracey. Susan Danchak. Michael Danchak. Jada Eiden.

Madelyn Hodanich. Margaret Skotlewski. John Hrywnak. Jennifer Hrywnak. Mary Phillips.

Johnny Huniyack. Dorothy Bentler. Anna Mae Kuklis. Rose Markiewicz. Karen Rolka.

JoyAnn Scarnato. Amy Shimo. Frank Shimo. Russell Spilka. Rita Sher. Jeff Thomas. Janet Pugh.

Gary Wassel. Elizabeth Dutko. AnnMarie Tigue. Michael Coviello. Mary Kay Wroblewsky.

<u>Ot home</u>: Michael Andreosky. Ann Richardson. Anna Senich.

<u>Assisted Living</u>: Delores Naglak. Susan Danchak.

<u>Eternal light</u>: In memory of Joseph Buzad given by Laurence Czibik.



Parish Life

Happy Anniversary to **Terri and Louis DiMichele** who celebrated their wedding anniversary this past Monday (5/14/18)! May God grant them many blessed years! Na M'nohaja i Blahaja L'ita!

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..."

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND OUR CHURCH:

| | May 13, 2018 |
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| \$724.00 | General Collection |
| \$2.00 | First Sunday |
| \$158.00 | 7 Day Light |
| \$16.00 | Holy Days |
| \$283.00 | Church Dues |
| \$10.00 | Taper candles |
| \$7.00 | Eternal Light |
| \$1,200.00 | Total Collection |

PARISH NEWS

- **Church School** will be held **this morning** and then again on **Sunday, June 3,** immediately following Divine Liturgy. June 3 will be the last class before summer break.
- The **Parish Board** will meet **this morning** immediately following Divine Liturgy.
- The Men's Club will meet next Sunday, May 27, immediately following Divine Liturgy.
- **Camp Nazareth Family Day** (Sunday, June 3, 2018 part of Family Camp 2018) **Raffle Tickets** are available for purchase! If you are interested, please see Father Daniel or Jane Togher. They are \$20.00 each. The Grand Prize will be \$10,000 cash, and other prizes range from varying cash amounts to 1 Week Camping Sessions.

NEWS AROUND THE DIOCESE / SCRANTON COMMUNITY

<u>Camp Nazareth Family Weekend and Family Day</u> – JOHNSTOWN, PA [Diocesan Chancery] - Our Diocese is pleased to announce its sixth annual Family Camp at Camp Nazareth this year in conjunction with <u>Family Day</u>, scheduled from Friday June 1 to Sunday June 3. The event is exactly what it sounds like. Families "camping" together in the Camp cabins and participating in a weekend of services, games, discussions, activities and challenges that are all designed to help families deepen their relationship with God and with one another.

This year's theme is "Being Grateful for Your Family." Come join His Grace Bishop Gregory in the beautiful environment of Camp Nazareth. Come and learn what it means to be a grateful family. "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from You the Father of Lights..." St. James writes in his letter (James 1:17). Did you ever consider that the biggest of these gifts may be your family? Come to Family Camp and see what God has given you and IS giving you through your family!

Each year we have a wonderful time together and we are looking forward to being together again this year. A variety of events and activities have been planned that will allow families to learn, have fun and pray together, and simply be together in the peaceful environment of the Camp. With the newly renovated and expanded cabins, together with the new High and Low Ropes Course the Camp has even more to offer our families this year.

Don't miss out on this opportunity for you and your family! Space is limited to the first 10 families, so register soon. Register online at campnazareth.org. Registration closes after Friday, May 25. Visit campnazareth.org for more information.

- **2018** Metropolitan Orestes Bowling Tournament! This coming Memorial Day weekend, May 25-28, 2018, the 70th National A.C.R.Y. Metropolitan Orestes Memorial Bowling Tournament will take place in Perth Amboy, NJ hosted by Jr. ACRY Chapter #45. Come join them for an enjoyable weekend of bowling, Christian Fellowship and worship in Perth Amboy, NJ! All are welcome and need not be ACRY members to participate! Sign up today! For more information and to sign up, visit www.acrod.org.
- JOHNSTOWN, PA -- [Diocesan Chancery] Plans are now in place for the **FIFTH Annual Diocesan Young Women's Encounter** which will take place from Sunday, July 1st to Wednesday, July 4th, 2018 at Saints Peter and Paul Church in Windber, PA. We encourage our young women, ages 12 to 18 to attend. This engaging experience will highlight how young women can live our Orthodox Faith and serve the Church with their own unique gifts. This year we will particularly be focusing on prayer, with the Mother of God as a model for all Orthodox Christians, and the verse Romans 12:12, "... rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation and continuing steadfastly in prayer..."

Registration will be primarily online like last year and will be open soon. A link will be placed on the home page at www.acrod.org when registration opens. Space will be limited to the first thirty respondents, so participants are urged to register in a timely manner. Registration Deadline is Friday, June 8, 2018. All parishes of the Diocese are urged to underwrite the \$100.00 participation fee for their young women in recognition of all the ways that these young women serve their parishes. Kindly have registration fees paid by the registration deadline. Questions about the event may be directed to Pani Eleni Stagon at acrodywe@gmail.com or by calling (973) 627-1462. Checks can be sent to:

Young Women's Encounter 66 Beach Street Rockaway, NJ 07866

- <u>2018 Diocesan Altar Boy Retreat</u> July 1 July 4, 2018. SAVE THE DATE! For more info, please see the flyer posted in the Church Hall.
- The first ever <u>Camp Nazareth Classic Golf Tournament</u> will take place on Sunday afternoon, June 10, 2018 at the Traditions at the Glen Resort in Johnson City, NY. All parish golfers welcome to participate! Checks should be made payable to "St. Michael's," with "CNC Golf Tournament" in the memo line. Please send them to the tournament chairman, Dr. Nicholas Seketa, 1104 Tamara Lane, Johnson City, NY 13790. (Telephone is: (607) 798-9455; E-mail: 2018camperclassic@gmail.com.)

THE VENERABLE FATHERS OF GEORGIA (May 7/20)

IMAGE and HYMN from: www.pravoslavie.ru
TEXT from: THE PROLOGUE of Ohrid

Hymn to the Venerable Fathers of Georgia

O God-fearing and thrice-venerable Syrian Fathers, lift up your holy hands to the Heavenly King and pray that He grant peace to our nation, safety to all Christian people, and great mercy to all those who call upon His name!



" In the sixth century, two hundred years after Saint Nina preached the Gospel in Georgia, the Most-holy Mother of God appeared to John, an Antiochian ascetic, and commanded that he select twelve of his disciples and go to Georgia to strengthen the Orthodox Faith.

Arriving in Georgia, these twelve missionaries were solemnly received by the prince of that country and the Catholicos Eulalius and immediately began their work with zeal. The people gathered around them in masses, and they strengthened the people in the Faith with great wisdom and many miracles.

The head of these Christ-loving missionaries was Saint John Zedazeni and the names of the others were: Abibus, Anthony, David, Zenon, Thaddeus, Jesse, Isidore, Joseph, Michael, Pyrrus, Stephen, and Shio. With apostolic fervor they all confirmed the Christian Faith in Georgia, established many monasteries, and left many disciples after them. Thus, they were made worthy of glory in heaven and power on earth.