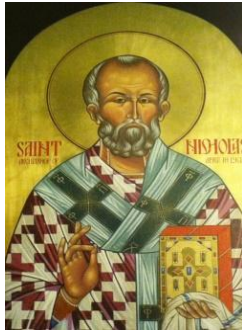


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SUNDAY AUGUST 20, 2017 -THE VENERABLE MARTYR DOMETIUS

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 20 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost (Sunday after Transfiguration) – The Venerable Martyr Dometius

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Blessing of the first-fruits.

Everything from Transfiguration (Blue Pew Book pp. 166-168) *except* Prokimen / Alleluia (Tone 2 – p. 86)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12 Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35

Panachida for Helen and Macar Oneschuck given by Daniel Oneschuck.

Sunday, August 27 – Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost – Prophet Micah

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Tone 3 – hymns (Blue Pew Book) pp. 87-89 (Tropar, Kondak, Birthgiver hymn, Prokimen, Alleluia)

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 19:16-26

6:30 PM – Great Vespers for the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos.

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 it for 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. Nicholas Wyborski. Fr. John Zboyovski. Fr. Robert E. Lucas. Deacon James Phifer. Pani Donna Smoley. Pani Linda Barriger. Pani Amy George. Pani Peggy Teklinski. Reese: Eric, Tamsen, James, Gineva, Benjamin, and Thomas. 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 Skotleski. 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. Mary Kay Wroblewsky.

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

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

Eternal light : In memory of Helen and Macar Oneschuck given by Daniel Oneschuck.

Parish Life

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:

August 13, 2017

\$371.00	General Collection
\$2.00	First Sunday
\$90.00	7 Day Light
\$10.00	Holy Days
\$20.00	Maintenance and Repairs
<u>\$10.00</u>	<u>Taper Candles</u>
\$503.00	Total Collection

Parish News

- The **Parish Board** will meet **this morning** immediately following Liturgy.
- The **Altar Society Meeting** has been rescheduled to **next Sunday, August 27** immediately following Liturgy.

NEWS AROUND THE DIOCESE

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

2017 National ACRY Convention! - The St. Nicholas ACRY Chapter #11 of Homestead will be the host of the 73rd National Senior and 34th National Junior ACRY Convention on **September 1-4, 2017**. We hope you will make the trip to the Pittsburgh, PA area for a fun and enjoyable weekend!

{For more info, please visit <http://acrod.org/organizations/senioracry/acryn-e/acrycomeevents/2017-acry-convention>}

Second Annual Stewardship Retreat! - JOHNSTOWN, PA - [Diocesan Chancery] -- The 2nd Annual Stewardship Retreat will be held at Camp Nazareth from September 22-24, 2017. This Year's Theme is Igniting the Flame of True Stewardship. On Friday evening, Mother Christophora, Abbess of The Orthodox Monastery of the Transfiguration, will be the presenter. On Saturday, Bill Marianes, Ancient Faith Radio-contributor and Stewardship Evangelist from the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, will be the day-long presenter. The Retreat is open to Coordinators, Clergy and members of Church Boards. There is no charge and lodging will be provided by the Camp. Anyone interested in attending, should notify their priest. Please respond by no later than September 1st, so that final arrangements can be completed at the Camp.

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

TEXT and IMAGE from: <https://www.goarch.org/transfiguration>



Tropar of the Feast (Tone 7)

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, *
revealing as much of Your glory to Your disciples as they could
bear. * Through the prayers of the Birthgiver of God, * let Your
everlasting light also shine upon us sinners, * O Giver of Light *
glory be to You.

Kondak of the Feast (Tone 7)

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, * and
Your disciples beheld as much as they could of Your glory, * so
that when they would see You crucified * they would understand
that You suffered willingly, * and would proclaim to the world *
that You are truly the brightness of the Father.

“ The Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ is celebrated each year on August 6/19. The feast commemorates the transfiguration (or metamorphosis) of Christ on Mount Tabor, when our Lord appeared in His divine glory before the Apostles Peter, James, and John.

The event of the Transfiguration is recorded in three of the four Gospels: Matthew 17:1-9, Mark 9:2-8, and Luke 9:28-36. Jesus took the Apostles Peter, James, and John with Him up upon a lofty mountain, and while they were on the mountain Jesus was transfigured. His face shone like the sun, and His garments became glistening white.

Moses and Elijah appeared with Christ, talking to Him. Peter declared how good it was for them to be there and expressed the desire to build three booths for Moses, Elijah, and Christ. This reference to the booths could imply that this occurred during the time of the Feast of Tabernacles when the Jews would be camping out in the fields for the grape harvest; for this Feast had acquired other associations in the course of its history, including the memory of the wanderings in the wilderness recorded in the Old Testament book of Exodus.

While Peter was speaking, a bright cloud overshadowed them. A voice came from the cloud saying, "***This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; hear Him.***" When the disciples heard this they fell on their faces filled with awe. Jesus came to them and told them to not be afraid. When the three looked up they saw only Jesus.

As Jesus and His disciples came down the mountain, He told them not to speak of what they had seen until He had risen from the dead. ”