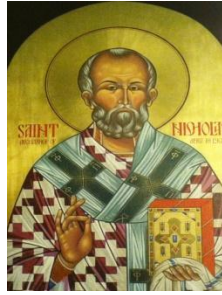


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SUNDAY AUGUST 21, 2016

Parish Calendar

Sunday, August 21 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost – Confessor Emilian

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Tone 8 – Blue Pew Book pp. 102-104 and from Transfiguration – pp. 166-169

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17 **Gospel:** Matthew 14:22-34

The Falling Asleep of the Most Holy Birthgiver of God and Ever-Virgin Mary

Saturday, August 27 – 6:00 PM – Great Vespers

Sunday, August 28 – 9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Special Hymns – Blue Pew Book – pp. 169-172

Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11 **Gospel:** Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28

Blessing of Flowers – *The Blessing of Flowers customary on the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos will take place at the end of the Divine Liturgy. Anyone who wishes to have their flowers blessed may bring them to the front and place them on the table at the left side of the Iconostas.*

Confessions: Before/after scheduled services or by appointment.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

Living : Fr. Paul Herbert. Fr. Lawrence Barriger. Fr. Michael Polanichka. 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 Living: Julie Roberts. Marion Sosnowski. Kathryn Stocoski. Delores Naglak. Mary Kneiss.

Eternal light: In memory of Denise Sovitch given by Laurence Czibik.

Parish News and Information

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND OUR CHURCH:
AUGUST 14, 2016

FILL UP THE BREADBASKETS OF NEPA!

Five boxes of food items were delivered to the Bread Basket Wednesday morning. As always, they are very thankful for our continued support of this very important mission as are our neighbors who receive the much-needed food.

Please continue to donate and help those in need!

“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...**”

\$393.00	General Collection
\$5.00	First Sunday
\$78.00	7 Day Light
\$9.00	Holy Days
\$93.00	Church Dues
\$10.00	Vigil Light
\$7.00	Eternal Light
\$9.00	Tapered Candles
\$60.00	<u>Rebate – Maines Food Service</u>
\$664.00	Total Collection

FALL 2016 PIROHI SCHEDULE

Wednesday Prep	Thursday Pinching	Friday Sales
September 28	September 29	September 30
October 5	October 6	October 7
October 19	October 20	October 21
November 2	November 3	November 4
November 16	November 17	November 18
November 30	December 1	December 2
December 14	December 15	December 16

Looking forward to making pirohi in September! The times are as follows:

Wednesdays – PIROHI PREP – 7:30 AM

Thursdays – PIROHI MAKING – 8:00 AM

Fridays – SALE – 10:00 AM → 3:00 PM

***CHURCH BOARD MEETING** will take place today following the Divine Liturgy.

News Around the Diocese

Beetreat! – Pan Orthodox Youth Retreat led by Steve Christoforou (from *Be the Bee* Series on YouTube) on August 27, 2016 from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM at Saint Michael's Orthodox Church in Binghamton! To register please go online asap to: bethebee.goarch.org/retreats.

The Transfiguration of our Lord

Text from *The Prologue of Ohrid (Volume Two: July – December)*

Image from: www.orthodoxbakersfield.org



In the third year of His preaching, the Lord Jesus often spoke to His disciples of His approaching passion, and also of His glory following His suffering on the Cross. So that His impending passion would not totally weaken His disciples, and so that no one would fall away from Him, He, the All-wise One, wanted to show them a portion of His divine glory before His passion. For that reason, He took Peter, James and John with Him and went by night to Mount Tabor; and was there transfigured before them: *“His face shone as the sun, and His raiment was as white as the light”* (Matthew 17:2). Moses and Elias, the great Old Testament prophets, also appeared beside Him. Seeing this, His disciples were stunned. Peter said: *“Lord, it is good for us to be here: if You will, let us make three tabernacles; one for You, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”* (Matthew 17:4). While Peter still spoke, Moses and Elias departed, and a bright cloud overshadowed the Lord and His disciples, and there came a voice from the cloud saying: *“This is My Beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased; hear Him”* (Matthew 17:5). Hearing the voice, the disciples fell face down on the ground as though dead, and remained that way, prostrate in fear, until the Lord came to them and said: *“Arise, and do not be afraid”* (Matthew 17:7). Until then, our Lord had manifested His divine power many times to the disciples; but on Mount Tabor He manifested His Divine Nature. This vision of His Divinity, and the hearing of the heavenly witness to His being the Son of God, must have served the disciples in the days of the Lord’s passion – in the strengthening of a steadfast faith in Him and in His final victory.

[The Lives of the Saints](#)

Saint Emilian the Confessor

Text From: [The Prologue of Ohrid: Volume Two \(July – December\)](#)

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Emilian served as bishop in Cyzicus, during the reign of the nefarious and iconoclast Emperor Leo the Armenian. Since he did not want to submit to the decrees of the emperor, which demanded the removal of icons from the churches, Emilian defended the veneration of icons against the emperor and thus, amongst other Orthodox bishops, was sent into exile. He spent five years in exile, enduring much pain and humiliation for the sake of Christ. Emilian died in the year 820 and took up his habitation among the citizens of heaven.

