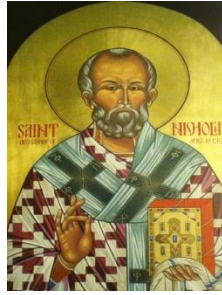


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SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

Parish Calendar

Sunday, September 11 – Beheading of Saint John the Baptist

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

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

Epistle: Acts 13:25-32

Gospel: Mark 6:14-30

Panachida for the repose of John Dutko AND for those killed in the attacks of 9/11/01.

(NOTE: This is a day of STRICT FAST)

Saturday, September 17 – Hieromartyr Babylas

9:00 AM – Memorial Liturgy for Denise Sovitch

Hymns for the Deceased – Blue Pew Book – pp. 235-240

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 2:6-9

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-22

Sunday, September 18 – Zachariah and Elizabeth

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Tone 4 – Blue Pew Book – pp. 90-92

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 16:13-24

Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-42

Confessions: Before/after scheduled services or by appointment.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

Living : Fr. Lawrence Barriger. Fr. Michael Polanichka. Fr. John Gido. 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. Joseph Brizinski. 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 Tigie. Gary Wassel. Eugene Vaskalis.

*Please also keep in your prayers Frank Pucher and Nicholas and Maryann Polanichka for safety in travel.

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 Mary Hafich given by the Pucher Family.

Parish News and Information

FILL UP THE BREADBASKETS OF NEPA!

Please continue to remember and support 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:
SEPTEMBER 4, 2016

\$762.00	General Collection
\$64.00	First Sunday
\$70.00	7 Day Light
\$7.00	Pirohi
\$465.00	Church Dues
\$14.00	Eternal Light
\$12.00	<u>Tapered Candles</u>

\$1,394.00

Total Collection

FALL 2016 PIROHI SCHEDULE		
Wednesday Prep	Thursday Pinching	Friday Sales
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 October! 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

***MENS CLUB MEETING** will take place **today** immediately following the Divine Liturgy.

***CHURCH BOARD MEETING** will take place on **Sunday September 25th** immediately following the Divine Liturgy.

News Around the Diocese

Church Slavonic Class is Open to the Public! *Johnstown, PA* – Christ the Saviour Seminary is pleased to announce that it will be offering to the public an Introduction to Church Slavonic Class (3 Credit Hours) for the upcoming Fall Semester at the Seminary. Classes are offered on Fridays from 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM. Fee is \$200. The semester runs from September 12 through December 19. For more information or to register please contact Fr. John Brancho at (814) 539-5043.

Ethnic Dinner at St. Mary’s Church in Dickson City! Our deanery church, St. Mary’s in Dickson City, will be hosting an ethnic dinner on Thursday, September 15th. There will be halupki, kielbasa, halushki, pirohi, vegetables, rolls, and desserts. **Advanced orders are requested** and can be picked up from 11:30 AM until 5:30 PM. Please call 489-3301 or 489-4283. Help support our fellow church!

Ethnic Dinner at St. George’s Church in Taylor! Our deanery church, St. George’s in Taylor, will be hosting an ethnic festival on Saturday September 17th and Sunday September 18th. They will have pirohi, holupki, kielbasa, halushki, clam chowder, desserts, beverages, and a theme basket raffle! For information please call (570) 562-1170. Please come out and support our fellow church!

Serbian Accordion Virtuoso To Visit NEPA!

Petar Marić, Belgrade-born virtuoso and winner of four world champion titles in accordion performance, will visit three Northeastern Pennsylvania communities this September. First Presbyterian Church, 97 South Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, will host a concert on Sunday, September 11, at 3:00 p.m. St. Stanislaus Polish National Catholic Elementary School, 530 East Elm Street, Scranton, will host a concert on Tuesday, September 13, at 7:00 p.m. St. George’s Carpatho-

Russian Orthodox Church, 743 South Keyser Avenue, Taylor will host a concert on Wednesday, September 14 at 7:30 p.m. following a Moleben service at 6:00 p.m. Performances are free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be accepted. For more information, contact Raphael Micca at 570-301-9253 or email rdmicca@aol.com or Michael Stretanski at [570-287-6554](tel:570-287-6554).

The Lives of the Saints

The Beheading of The Forerunner and Baptist John

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

Image from: www.oca.org

“Herod Antipas (son of the Herod who slew the children of Bethlehem at the time of Christ’s birth) was ruler of Galilee when John the Baptist was preaching. He was married to the daughter of Aretas, an Arabian prince. But Herod, an evil sprout of an evil root, put away his lawful wife and unlawfully took Herodias as his concubine. Herodias was the wife of his brother Philip, who was still alive. John the Baptist stood up against this lawlessness and strongly denounced Herod. Herod then cast John into prison. During a banquet in his court at Sebastia in Galilee, Salome – Herodias and Philip’s daughter – danced before the guests. Herod, drunk with wine, was so taken by this dance that he promised Salome anything she asked of him, even if it were half of his kingdom. Salome was persuaded by Herodias to ask for the head of John the Baptist. Herod gave the order, and John was beheaded in prison – and his head was presented to her on a platter. John’s disciples took the body of their teacher by night and honorably buried it, but Herodias pierced John’s tongue with a needle repeatedly, and buried his head in an unclean place. However, God’s punishment quickly befell this group of evildoers. Prince Aretas, avenging his daughter’s honor, waged war against Herod with his army and defeated him. The defeated Herod was sentenced by the Roman Caesar, Caligula, to exile (at first to Gaul, then later to Spain). Herod and Herodias lived lives of poverty and humiliation in exile, until the earth opened up and swallowed them. Salome died an evil death on the Sikaris River. St. John’s beheading occurred just before Passover, but its celebration on September 11th was established because a church that had been built over his grave in Sebastia (by Saints Constantine and Helen) was consecrated on that date. The relics of John’s disciples Eliseus and Audius were also placed in that church.”

