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Sunday, October 27, 2024

Reader Hours: Gloria Bench
Reader Epistle: Edward Pierson



18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Tone 1.

We welcome all our visitors today! We want to let you know that we are so glad you came to pray with us. Please come again; join us after the Divine Liturgy in the parish hall for fellowship. If you do not have a home church, we invite you to become a part of our parish family. **Only those Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through strict Fasting on the morning of the Liturgy, recent Confession and at peace with each other may approach the Chalice and receive Holy Communion.**

SERVICES:

Sunday, October 27	9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy, Church School, Fellowship Hour
Saturday, November 2	4:00 PM: Great Vespers, Confessions
Sunday, November 3	9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy, Church School, Fellowship Hour
Sunday, November 3	11:00 AM -1:30 PM: Roast Beef Dinner
Saturday, November 9	4:00 PM: Great Vespers, Confessions
Sunday, November 10	9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy, Church School, Fellowship Hour, <u>Start of Adult Education</u>
Saturday, November 16	3:30 PM: Parastas
Saturday, November 16	4:00 PM: Great Vespers, Confessions
Sunday, November 17	9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy, Church School, Fellowship Hour
Wed., November 20	5:00 PM: Vespers, Litya
Thurs., November 21	9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy (Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple)
Saturday, November 23	4:00 PM: Great Vespers, Confessions
Sunday, November 24	9:30 AM: Divine Liturgy, Church School, Fellowship Hour

Prayer List*: Mat. Lisa

Robert Boguski, Jeanne Cannon, Stephanie Chmel, Kaitlyn & Shannon Dmytrow, Anna Eltgroth, Julia Forte, Jose Garcia, Julia Harahus, Karen & Rose Harkins, Nancy King, Olga Kushnir, Anna Marie Mantey, Dorothy Macenka, Paul Macenka, Olga Martsyniv, Dave Mazaika, Tom McCarthy, Ryan Oravec, Ron Pierce, Odess Remington, Millie O'Shura, Melissa Schmitt, Olga Sidoriak, Jolie Skelton, Peter Weremedic, Marie Yurchak

* Names will cycle off approximately every 30 days. You may request to have your name or the name of a loved one placed back on the list at any time by contacting Fr. James directly.

If anyone is in need of a priest, please call Fr. James Weremedic at 570-645-2772.
Visitation of the Sick and Infirm: If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Fr. James at the Rectory. Emergency Calls: Please call the Rectory (570-645-2772) anytime (day or night) in an emergency.

We are hosting an Open Faced Hot Roast Beef Dinner on November 3rd. (11:00 AM -1:30 PM)
 The dinner will include an open face hot roast beef sandwich, baked potato, vegetable, coleslaw,
 fruit cup and dessert. Eat-in or Take-out. Eat-in includes beverage. Donation of \$15 per person.
ADVANCE TICKETS ONLY. See Barbara Teno for tickets (570) 645-2772.

*We express our deepest sympathy to the family of
 Harry Beamesderfer (Amy Lee Beamesderfer's father)
 Who fell asleep in the Lord 10/21/2024! Memory Eternal!*

Candles (October 27)

7-day Vigils-Altar: In memory of **Michael & Jennie Harb** offered by Jeanne & John Cannon

Altar Candles: In health of **Father Paul Ropitsky** offered by Michael Ropitsky

Eternal Lamp: In memory of **Helen Butts** offered by Raymond & Mary Jo Danchak

7-day Vigils-Tetrapod: In memory of **Helen Sheers** offered by Susan Swierczewski

October Birthdays: 3- Fr. James Weremedic, 5- Barbara Teno, 10- Andrew Balliet, 19- Ixsaiah Bracero,
 23- Emmanuel Andrades, 26- Peggy Lampman, 27- Fr. Paul Ropitsky, 30- John Lampman

November Birthdays: 1- Nicholas Teno, Jr., 2- Justin Babinetz, 4- Lena Marie Berezniak, 11- Nancy King, 17- Irene
 Puschak, Victoria Weremedic, 18- Amelia Buchanan, 26- Barbara Birosik, Helen King, 27- Chris King, Walter Rosahac

October Anniversaries: 1- Odess & Claire Remington, 5- John & Mary Evetushick, 22-Chris & Marie
 Kalavritinos

November Anniversaries: 13- Walter & Louise Rosahac,

Financials 10/20/2024: Operating Acct: Envelopes \$1,135, Candles \$76, Donations \$300 Yard Sale \$1,025

If you have any Redner receipts, please call or get them to Helen King.

Please use your Boyer's card when shopping at Boyers; if you need one call Helen King.

Fellowship Hour Hosts:

10/27 Helen King 11/03 Roast Beef Dinner 11/10 R & L Berezniak 11/17 Russell King
 11/24 Mike Tatusko 12/01 John Evetushick 12/08 R & L Berezniak

We are not required to bring a tenth of our income to the Church; we can bring twenty, thirty, or even one-hundred percent, as did the poor widow (*Mark 12:42-43*). But we can start with a small step. We can at least bring as much as the Old Testament Hebrews, at least the ten percent that rightly belongs to God and not us. But if we don't have as much zeal for the temple of God as the Old Testament people had, then the Lord will accept and bless even seven or five percent or any other amount offered with a pure heart. **We must begin somewhere!** On Tithing | A Russian

Orthodox Church Website (pravmir.com)

How much is my tithe?!

Weekly Income	10%	5%	4%	2%
\$200	\$20	\$10	\$8	\$4
\$500	\$50	\$25	\$20	\$10
\$750	\$75	\$38	\$30	\$15
\$1,000	\$100	\$50	\$40	\$20
\$1,500	\$150	\$75	\$60	\$30
\$2,000	\$200	\$100	\$80	\$40

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Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica (306). Ven. Nestor the Chronicler of the Kiev Caves (1114). Uncovering of the Relics of St. Andrew, Prince of Smolensk (1540). Martyrs Capitolina and Eroteis of Cappadocia (304). Saint Claudia Procula (1st c.). Martyrs Mark, Soterikhos, and Valentine (304).

John 20:1-10 (7th Matins Gospel)

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. Then she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him." Peter therefore went out, and the other disciple, and were going to the tomb.

So they both ran together, and the other disciple outran Peter and came to the tomb first. And he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen cloths lying there; yet he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; and he saw the linen cloths lying there, and the handkerchief that had been around His head, not lying with the linen cloths, but folded together in a place by itself.

Then the other disciple, who came to the tomb first, went in also; and he saw and believed. For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again to their own homes.

Tone 1 Troparion (Resurrection)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure body, You rose on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life: "Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your Kingdom! // Glory to Your dispensation, O Lover of mankind!"

Tone 1 Kontakion (Resurrection)

As God, You rose from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Yourself. Human nature praises You as God, for death has vanished. Adam exults, O Master! Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to You:// "You are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!"

Tone 1 Prokeimenon (Resurrection)

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us /as we have set our hope on You!
V. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 (Epistle)

But this I say: "He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully." **So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.**

And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.

Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me.

V. He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and his seed forever.

Silent Prayer before the Gospel:

Illumine our hearts, O Master Who lovest mankind, with the pure light of Thy divine knowledge. Open the eyes of our mind to the understanding of Thy gospel teachings. Implant also in us the fear of Thy blessed commandments, that trampling down all carnal desires, we may enter upon a spiritual manner of living, both thinking and doing such things as are well-pleasing unto Thee. For Thou art the illumination of our souls and bodies, O Christ our God, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thy Father, Who is from everlasting, and Thine all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages.

Luke 8:26-39 (Gospel)

Then they sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!" For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had often seized him, and he was kept under guard, bound with chains and shackles; and he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the wilderness.

Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him. And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them. Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. When those who fed them saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country.

Then they went out to see what had happened, and came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. They also who had seen it told them by what means he who had been demon-possessed was healed. Then the whole multitude of the surrounding region of the Gadarenes asked Him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear.

And He got into the boat and returned. Now the man from whom the demons had departed begged Him that he might be with Him. But Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your own house, and tell what great things God has done for you." And he went his way and proclaimed throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.

Adult Education

We plan on starting our adult education on Sunday, November 10, 2024 following the Divine Liturgy. For those who plan to attend, we will have a short time at the fellowship and our Adult Classes will start right after the Church School ends.

We have a sign-up sheet in the church vestibule for those who are interested. This adult session will consider the health and medicine from an Eastern Orthodox Tradition. There will be additional information in next week's bulletin.