Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.

—Psalm 33:12
## Calendar of Services & Events

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| 7/2/2017 | **Fourth Sunday After Pentecost; St. John of San Francisco** | 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
*Panachida: +Van Zanten Family (Per.)* |
| 7/3/2017 | **Monday**                            | 8:30 AM Service  
+Peter & +Lucille Virostick  
+John Dragan  
++Sekerak Fam. |
| 7/6/2017 | **Thursday**                          | 8:30 AM Service  
+Kathryn Ledney, 1 Year Memorial, by son David Ledney |
| 7/7/2017 | **Friday**                            | 9:00-3:00 Rummage and Bake Sale |
| 7/8/2017 | **Saturday**                          | 9:00-3:00 Rummage and Bake Sale |
| 7/9/2017 | **Fifth Sunday After Pentecost**      | 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
*Panachida: +Helen & +Josephine +Andrew Dobrovolski* |
| 7/11/2017 | **Tuesday**                           | 8:30 AM Liturgy  
++Ristvey Family |
| 7/15/2017 | **Saturday**                          | 8:30 AM Liturgy  
*For the Special Intention of All Parish Youth* |
| 7/16/2017 | **Sixth Sunday After Pentecost**      | 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
*Panachida: +Richard Hartley (Per.)* |
WE NEED YOUR TIME & TALENT FOR TWO NEW MINISTRIES!

In our ongoing effort to find the most effective ways of performing our parish activities, we are looking at establishing two new groups for our parishioners:

The “Hospitality Ministry” will help plan, organize and/or staff Sunday Coffee Hour and our other meals throughout the year.

The “Visitation Ministry” will make visits (in small groups of 2-3) to our homebound members on a regular basis.

Both of these groups are ways in which you can serve your fellow parishioners. Do either (or both!) of these ministries call out to you? Please speak with Fr. David and let him know you are interested.

A Prayer for Independence Day on July 4th

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom You are blessed, together with all-holy, gracious and life-giving Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen!
Fr. David will be away July 4th and 5th. In case of an emergency in which you need the services of a priest immediately, you may call Fr. Michael Polanichka (724-981-2520) or another local Orthodox priest.

Location of Daily Services During Summertime: Unless otherwise noted, daily services will take place in the air-conditioned church rather than in the chapel. We will resume daily services in the chapel in the fall, when the weather cools down!

On July 15th, the Orthodox Church remembers St. Julitta and her son St. Kyrikos, a 3-year-old child-martyr from the 4th century persecution of Christians. St. Kyrikos is part to our church—literally! We are very blessed to have a portion of his relics sealed in our altar table. To mark his holyday, we will have Divine Liturgy on July 15th at 8:30 AM, with special prayers for the health and salvation of our parish youth.

Register Now For 2017 National ACRY Convention & Diocesan Family Weekend! The St. Nicholas ACRY Chapter #11- Homestead will be the host of the 73rd National Senior and 34th National Junior ACRY which will take place Labor Day weekend, September 1st through the 4th, 2017 at the Pittsburgh Airport Marriott in Coraopolis. Please visit the special 2017 Convention Web Page for all necessary registration information. Deadline for all convention related registration including, hotel, meals, program book, and excursions is August 1.

Church School Registration Forms are now available. “Now? So soon?!” Summer will be over before we know it, and Church School will begin on Sunday, September 10, 2017. Parents, please get these forms to Fr. David by August 20.
Science and Nature Camp
at Camp Nazareth
Sunday, August 6 – Saturday, August 12

Camp Nazareth is pleased to announce its FIRST EVER Science and Nature Camp which will take place August 6-12, 2017!!!

Camp participants will learn all about Astronomy, Biology, Earth Science, Geology, Meteorology and SO MUCH MORE! Presentations and activities will be given and led by the Carnegie Science Center, the Carnegie Museum of Natural History, the Jennings Environmental Center, as well as local high school teachers and college professors.

Participants will have the opportunity to use telescopes, microscopes, and water quality management technology as well as explore the trails, waterfalls, streams and geography of the Camp. Special emphasis will be placed on appreciating the beauty of nature and the wonder of the fields of science they will study.

The Science and Nature Camp is a resident (sleepaway) Camp for ages 8-18. It will take place on the 289 beautiful acres of Camp Nazareth property located at 339 Pew Road, Mercer, PA.

Visit campnazareth.org to register for the Science and Nature Camp.

Email campnazareth@acrod.org or call 724-662-4840 for more information

In addition to the Science and Nature program, participants will enjoy the many amenities Camp Nazareth has to offer including a Junior Olympic-size swimming pool, the new High and Low Ropes Course including a 750 foot Zip Line, climate-controlled cabins, sports fields and basketball courts, a large Rec Room, a volleyball court, and more.
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RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE

Thursday, July 6th:  
CHURCH FRIENDS AND FAMILY NIGHT  
5:00 to 7:00 PM.

Friday, July 7th:  
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Saturday, July 8th:  
9:00 AM to 12 Noon=Regular Price. 12 Noon to 3:00 PM “Bag Sale”

DONATION OF ITEMS

Last call for donations of:

- Clothing, Purses and Shoes. Clothing must be in good condition, washed, and either on hangers OR folded neatly and placed in a box. *(No bags of clothing!)*
- Toys and Books
- Kitchenware and Glassware
- Bedding, Decorations, and Miscellaneous Items
- Last day for donations Wednesday, July 5th from 9 a.m. — NOON

DONATION OF BAKED GOODS

Baked goods can be brought to the hall on the morning of Friday, July 7th.

If you have any questions, please speak with Mary Ann Lavin.

Thank you in advance for your donations of rummage sale items, baked goods and monetary donations!
GOLF SCRAMBLE NOTES

Mark your calendars! The 2017 Golf Scramble will be held on Saturday, August 19th at Oak Tree Country Club. Shotgun Start will be at 8:00 AM.

The post-golfing meal will again be held at our church hall, and will feature our signature all-you-can-eat buffet with spit roast lamb, roast chicken, sausage and peppers, side dishes, desserts and beverages. Dinner will begin to be served at 2:30 PM. We will also hold the ever-popular Basket Raffle at this dinner.

We are now accepting:
⇒ Team Commitments
⇒ Donations of Items for the Basket Raffle
⇒ Major sponsorships for $100.00
⇒ Hole sponsorships for $35.00
⇒ Patron Listings for $10.00
⇒ General donations to the event

Copies of the registration form/flyer and the sponsorship form are available in the church hall.

Dinner-only tickets are available for $20 per person. See Francine Fabian to get your ticket!

Visit our Diocesan Online Resources!
Diocesan Website: http://www.acrod.org
Camp Nazareth: http://www.campnazareth.org
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/acroddioce
You Tube: https://youtube.com/acroddioce
Candelabrum ~ Sunday, July 2nd
In Loving Memory of Father/Grandfather, George Chuba, Sr., from Stephen & Joan Chuba & Family

Eternal Lamp ~ Sunday, July 2nd
In Loving Memory of George Varsho, by Katherine and Gary Yonchak

Eternal Lamp ~ Sunday, July 9th
In Loving Memory of Richard Hartley from Katie Hartley & Family

BIRTHDAYS

| July 3  | Fred Meiss Jr. |
| 5      | Linda Sayers  |
| 6      | Nick Orras    |
| 8      | Courteney Lukac |
| 9      | John Moon    |
| 12     | Michaelene Obermiyer |
| 13     | Elizabeth Fiegel |
| 14     | Debbie Cross, Laura Dinsmore, Richie Preston, Susan Stigliano |
| 15     | Milan Shumkaroff |

MEN TO HOLD CANDLES

Sunday, July 9th
Fred Meiss
Robert Miller
John Moon
Nick Orras
Alex Parimuha

Sunday, July 16th
John Parimuha
Tom Patrick
Dan Ristvey
Joel Ristvey
Matt Ristvey

July 4th
Joseph & Mary Blasko
Steven & Natalie Lukac

July 14th
Joseph & Germaine Tatusko

ANNIVERSARIES

July 4th
Joseph & Mary Blasko
Steven & Natalie Lukac

July 14th
Joseph & Germaine Tatusko