

BULLETIN FOR JULY 14-27, 2024

***SUN 7/14/2024** **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 2**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Perpetual Commemorations for July 14-20, 2024:

HARTLEY, Richard

TRESCILLA, Michael & Susan & Helen ROTH

LITWILER, Mary & Perl

BICH, Ronald

DORUS, Joseph & Anna; David Dorus; Robert Sorokach

MON 7/15/2024
6:00 PM July Board Meeting

TUES 7/16/2024 *Saint of the Day: Martyr Athenogenes*
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
With Weekly Perpetual Commemorations

SAT 7/20/2024 **ST. ELIAS (ELIJAH) THE PROPHET**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

***SUN 7/21/2024** **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 3**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Blessing of Vehicles

Perpetual Commemorations for July 21-27, 2024:

POTPRASKY, John & Betty

LYSOHIR, Sue & Steve

SLOVESKO, John & Helen, Richard; Kathleen Wansack

RISTVEY Family: Michael, Anna, John, Stephanie, Steve, Ann, Stevie, Joseph, Nicholas, George, Mary, Susan, Ann, John, Susan & Kanishak Family: Andrew, Evelyn, Dorothy

TUES 7/23/2024 *Saint of the Day: Martyr Trophimus & Companions*
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
 With Weekly Perpetual Commemorations

***SUN 7/28/2024** **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 4**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Perpetual Commemorations for July 28-August 3, 2024:

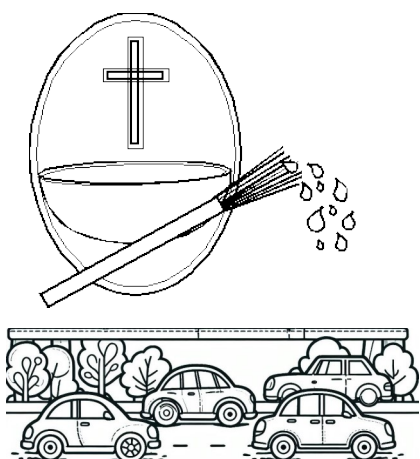
HAYDUK, John & Anna

PERI, John & Anna

*PACZAK, John & Katherine, Anna, Mary, Michael, Walter, Simon, Ann,
Catherine & John Jr.*

TKACH, Msgr. Paul & Pani Helen

THE DORMITION FAST begins on August 1st and continues through August 14th. It is in preparation for the holyday of the Dormition of the Mother of God on August 15th. Additional services will be scheduled during this holy season. Please stay tuned for the service schedule!



ANNUAL BLESSING OF VEHICLES will take place on **Sunday, July 21, 2024** immediately following Divine Liturgy. This blessing is offered on a Sunday near the holyday of St. Elias the Prophet, who was taken to heaven in a fiery chariot (*as described in the second chapter of 2 Kings in the Old Testament*). Bring your cars, trucks, motorcycles, kid's bikes, horse-and-buggies... all vehicles will be blessed! Invite your friends and neighbors.

St. John's Orthodox Church Pierogi Walk/Run



**Please join us as we celebrate our 4th year
and help us make it the best year yet!**

Date: Saturday, July 27, 2024

Registration Online

Run/Walk Start Time: 8:30am

**Location: Butler Community College Linden Point Parking Lot -
Hermitage, PA**

Entrance Fees: (includes a pierogi pick-me-up)

Adults \$25 | Includes T-Shirt

Register online at RunSignUp:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/PA/Hermitage/Pierogi5kWalkRun>

For more information, contact:

Laura Fette: LBStigliano@iCloud.com

Proceeds for this event benefit St. John's Orthodox Church, Hermitage, PA. Awards will be granted at the end of the event for Top 3 male & female overall participants. Divisions: Top 3 in each group; 14 & under, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69 & 70+. Fees will include a t-shirt when registered online registrations at the event will not be guaranteed a t-shirt.

GOLF SCRAMBLE NOTES

Don't Forget! The 2024 Golf Scramble will be held on **Saturday, August 17th at Avalon at Buhl Park**. Shotgun Start will be at 8:30 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, chicken, sausage and peppers, side dishes, desserts and beverages. Dinner will begin to be served at 2:30 PM. We will also hold the a Basket and Gift Card Raffle at this dinner.

Dinner-only tickets are available for \$25 per person. See Francine Fabian to get your ticket!

THANK YOU to everyone that has donated towards the golf tournament to date! We are still in need of the following:

- ⇒ Team Commitments
- ⇒ Proximity Prizes - \$100 (Four \$25 gift certificates to Avalon Buhl)
- ⇒ Major sponsorships for \$100.00
- ⇒ Hole sponsorships for \$40.00
- ⇒ Patron Ad Listings for \$10.00
- ⇒ Gift Cards for the Raffle - see list in the fellowship hall
- ⇒ Big Ticket Raffle - gift card or basket with a value of \$100
- ⇒ General monetary donations to the event

Copies of the registration form/flyer and the sponsorship form are still available in the church hall for your use.

To register your team or for any additional information, see Ed or Francine Fabian.

Sponsorship Levels:

Sponsorship Level	Donation with Golf	Donation without Golf
Platinum Sponsor	\$800.00	\$450.00
Gold Sponsor	\$575.00	\$200.00
Silver Sponsor	\$525.00	\$150.00
Major Sponsor	—	\$100.00

Check Out Our Revamped Website!

Visit stjohnacroc.org

Click on the **DONATE** tab to make donations online.

We thank Courteney Riddle for her work on our website!

Thoughts on Stewardship

by Dan Hromyak

"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick - no food, no sack, no money in their belts" - Mark 6:8

Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God's providential care. Think of all the material things "we can't live without" in today's world. We make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don't become "slaves" to wanting to acquire more things.

"He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest awhile." - Mark 6:31

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some "alone" time with God.



CALLING ALL STUDENTS!

Before you head back to school for the 2024-2025 academic year, you are invited to come forward for a prayer and a special blessing on **Sunday, August 18, 2023 at the End of Liturgy**

Exciting News About Christ the Saviour Seminary!

His Eminence, Metropolitan Gregory, has given his blessing for the Chancery to release a progress report on (1) The Seminary Accreditation Committee, and on (2) building progress on the present Seminary being relocated to the Diocesan property on Garfield Street across from the Chancery and Cathedral in Johnstown, PA.

(Item 1) In September of 2023, His Eminence appointed a Committee of Six including His Eminence, Seminary President; Very Rev. Protopresbyter Frank P. Miloro, Chancellor and Seminary Dean; Reverend Dr. Marc Wisnosky, Seminary professor and Committee Chair; Very Rev. Peter Zarynow, Board of Trustees; Reverend Michael Rustick, Seminary Prefect; and Dr. Sharon Peifer Board of Trustees. This Committee has been working for nearly a year with the task of completing the "Application for New Program-Granting Program - Approved Institution" required by the Commonwealth. This application is specifically for institutions within Pennsylvania which are recognized by the Commonwealth to grant a degree and wishing to add a new degree program. Once fully completed this month, and with the Diocesan Board of Trus-

tees approval, the Seminary Accreditation Committee will submit the application to the Department of Education. The Committee's hope is that this new Master of Divinity Program will be approved in 2025 along with the projected completion of the new Seminary building project.

(Item 2) Architect Jeff Haman of Jeffrey Hamon Architects, Inc, Windber, PA, has completed all architectural drawings, including Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and Fire Protection. Final Design of the structural system is underway. Land Use Planning documents as well as stormwater management have been submitted for city permits, as well as determining with utility companies the size and location of all utility upgrades. By the end of this month, the architect and structural engineer will have completed the final structural design together with interior design of finishes and fixtures for the dormitory space, library, classrooms and Chapel. Once completed, bids will be solicited in August.

There is huge excitement in Johnstown! There is much yet to be done, but our architect has committed to completion by Spring/early Summer 2025. Pray with us for the success of this major project.

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Sacramental and Membership Information

Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please phone the rectory (724-346-4457) when a family member is admitted to the hospital, or to request a home visit. Hospitals do *not* call to alert the parish when someone is admitted.

Marriages are solemnized on Saturdays or Sundays. Circumstances may require a dispensation from the diocesan bishop. Consult the pastor at least six months in advance and before any plans have been made for the wedding reception. Marriages cannot be celebrated during the fasting seasons of the church, or on Fridays.

Baptisms are usually scheduled on Saturdays or Sundays. Consult the pastor. Two godparents (godfather and godmother) are required, at least one of whom must be a practicing Orthodox Christian in good standing at an Orthodox parish, and the other (at least) a practicing, baptized Christian.

Church Funerals are, under ordinary circumstances, provided for practicing Orthodox Christians who are current in their spiritual and material obligations to the parish; otherwise, the funeral service is conducted at the funeral home. **The Church does not permit cremation.**

Parishioners in "good standing" are those Orthodox Christians who, as members of Saint John's Orthodox Church, strive to live according to the teachings of the Orthodox Church; participate in the life of the parish through regular church attendance, regular reception of Holy Communion and periodic Holy Confession (and receive these sacraments no less than once a year); if married, having been married in the Orthodox Church; and financially support the parish (especially through an annual "pledge").

Prospective members and returning members are asked to fill out an application form, copies of which are available in the church office.

Our Church's Website: stjohnacroc.org
Our YouTube Live Stream: youtube.com/user/saintjohnsharon
Our Facebook Page: facebook.com/SaintJohnHermitagePA
Our Diocesan Website: acrod.org

For Online Giving Options, please visit our website: stjohnacroc.org

Happy Birthday!

Debbie Cross	July 14
Laura Fette	July 14
Richie Preston	July 14
Milan Shumkaroff	July 16
Alexander Holmes	July 19
Lorraine Amos	July 20
Nicholas Figiel	July 20
Carol Maykowski	July 20
Kenneth Maceyko	July 21
Edward Slovesko	July 24

Happy Anniversary!

Dawn & Mark Burns	July 18
Jerry & Patti Chupak	July 19
Robert & Dawn Miller	July 24

*God Grant You Many,
Blessed Years!"*

■ Our Sponsors ■

Bulletin Sponsor for the Week of July 14, 2024

In Loving Memory of Parents John Jr. & Irene Hromyak, by Nona Kolbrich

Eternal Lamp for the Week of July 14, 2024

For God's Blessings on All Parishioners

Altar Flowers on Sunday, July 21, 2024

*In Memory of +Marlene Roach on the 7th Anniversary of Her Repose,
by Rosemarie Janosko*

Eternal Lamp for the Week of July 21, 2024

For Our Parish Youth Attending Camp Nazareth This Week

Schedule of Men to Hold Candles During the Gospel

June 14, 2024

Ed Fabian
Matt Fabian
Chad Fette
Dave Firster
Jim Hynes

July 21, 2024

Steven Lukac
Steve Lukac
John Lenhart
Ken Maceyko
Emil Maurer

July 28, 2024

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