



## THE SYMBOL OF FAITH

**B**elieve in One God, Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and Earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

**A**nd in One Lord, Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Only-Begotten, begotten of the Father before all ages, Light of Light, True God of True God, begotten not made; of one Essence with the Father, by Whom all things were made, Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and of the Virgin Mary, and became Man, And was Crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried, And on the third day He arose again, according to the scriptures, and ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father, And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

**A**nd I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and the Giver of Life; Who proceedeth from the Father; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets.

**A**nd I believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins, I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life in the age to come.

**AMEN**

*Bulletin for June 9-22, 2019*

**Fr. David will be away Sunday, June 9 through Friday, June 14. In the case of a pastoral emergency in which you need the services of a priest, please call our dean Fr. Ken Bachofsky (330-372-9778) or any of the local Orthodox priests.**

## **CALENDAR OF SERVICES & EVENTS**

<b>SAT</b>	<b>6/15/2019</b>	<b>5TH SOUL SATURDAY &amp; EVE OF PENTECOST</b>
	5:45 PM	Panachida with Reading of Names of Departed ( <i>Hramoty</i> )
	6:00 PM	Vespers for Pentecost
<b>*SUN</b>	<b>6/16/2019</b>	<b>PENTECOST – THE DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT</b>
		<b>FATHER’S DAY</b>
	9:00 AM	Divine Liturgy, with Prayers for Special Intention of All Fathers Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost Panachida for All Departed Fathers
<b>MON</b>	<b>6/17/2019</b>	<b>PENTECOST MONDAY</b>
	9:00 AM	Divine Liturgy and Festal Procession
	6:00 PM	Board Meeting
<b>*SUN</b>	<b>6/23/2019</b>	<b>FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – ALL SAINTS</b>
	9:00 AM	Divine Liturgy <i>Panachida – Perpetual:</i> +Louie & +Margie Varga +Courtney Holt ++Gelety Family

***June 24th is the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist – Our Church’s Holyday  
Join in Prayer as a Parish Family as we Celebrate our Patron Saint!***

Sunday, June 23 at 6:00 PM – Vespers  
Monday, June 24 at 9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

# Pentecost is Sunday, June 16th

## *Not "Just Another Sunday"*

On the 50th Day after Pascha, we commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles (*as we read in the book of Acts, chapter 2*) which enabled them to go out into the world and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all nations.

Pascha and Pentecost are like two "book ends" of the same feast. If Pascha is the "feast of feasts" and holds first place in the Christian calendar, Pentecost is the second most important day of the Christian year. Yes, Pentecost is even more important than Christmas!

We have several opportunities for prayer and worship around this feast day:

**The day before Pentecost is the final Soul Saturday** of the year. This year, to remember our departed family and friends, we will offer a **Panachida on Saturday, June 15 at 5:45 PM.**

Our celebration of Pentecost itself begins with **Vespers** on Saturday, June 15 at 6:00 PM. This evening prayer service contains hymns and Scripture readings relating to the holyday, along with the festal blessing of bread, wheat, wine, and oil.

**Divine Liturgy for Pentecost** will be on Sunday, June 16 at 9:00 AM. At the conclusion of Liturgy, we will offer the three Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost.

**Divine Liturgy for Pentecost Monday** will be on Monday, June 17 at 9:00 AM, with the traditional Festal Procession at its conclusion.

**Remember: Pentecost is the "GREEN HOLYDAY"** (*Zelena Soyata*) since we decorate the church with greenery to remember that the Holy Spirit is the "Giver of Life." No, St. Patrick's Day isn't the only day to wear green. **Consider wearing something green to church on June 16th!**

# GOLF SCRAMBLE NOTES

***Mark your calendars!*** The 2019 Golf Scramble will be held on **Saturday, August 17th at Oak Tree Country Club**. 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, 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!



# Thoughts on Stewardship

by Dan Hromyak

*"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you."  
- John 14:26*

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us. The relativism of our world tells us that we should be tolerant of all things, that there is no absolute truth. Pray to the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and to guide our thoughts, words and actions.

*"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth..." - John 16:13*

Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help us know and live the truth. To prepare ourselves, we need to open our heart to receive this gift before we can give it. Develop a daily prayer routine. Talk and listen to the Holy Spirit. This is best done in silence, when we can hear His response.

Dear church board members,  
Father David, and Parishioners,  
Thank you so much for the generous scholarship you awarded me for my high school graduation. I will be using it towards my education at Penn State University this Fall. I truly appreciate all of your congratulations and well wishes and I feel blessed to be a part of such a caring church community.  
Fondly,  
Alana Hellmann

## ***Announcing the Saint John's Orthodox Church 2019***

# **RUMMAGE AND BAKE SALE**

Friday, July 5th:  
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Saturday, July 6th:  
9:00 AM to 12 Noon=Regular Price. 12 Noon to 3:00 PM "Bag Sale"

### **DONATION OF ITEMS**

We are accepting the following:

- 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

The classrooms will be organized in order to accommodate your donations. **You may begin to bring in items and place them in the appropriate locations. Please do not bring large items (furniture, for example) until Sunday, June 30th or on the weekdays leading up to the Rummage Sale.**

### **DONATION OF BAKED GOODS**

Baked goods can be brought to the hall on the morning of Friday, July 5th.

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

***Thank you!***

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## *Clergy:*

*Rev. Father David Mastroberte*  
*Very Rev. Protopresbyter Michael Polanichka*  
*Rev. Deacon John Anderson*

*A Parish of the American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese – Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople*

## 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, and the other 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); 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.

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## Happy Birthday

June 10<sup>th</sup> Mary Ann Lavin  
June 11<sup>th</sup> Gerry Holliday  
June 12<sup>th</sup> Debbie Giroski  
June 13<sup>th</sup> Danica McMahon  
June 16<sup>th</sup> Joseph Kraynok  
June 16<sup>th</sup> Edward Kraynok  
June 18<sup>th</sup> Katherine Yourema  
June 20<sup>th</sup> Matt Ristvey  
June 22<sup>nd</sup> Beth Anne Kudelko

## Candelabrum Sponsor

Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup>

In Loving Memory of our Brother &  
Sister-in-Law

**George Chuba Jr. & Anne Chuba**  
and Brother-in-Law & Uncle  
**Thomas Patrick Chuba**

Sponsored by: Joan & Stephen Chuba  
and Chuba Family

## Eternal Lamp Sponsor

Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

In Loving Memory of

**Tom Kroko**

Sponsored by: Melinda Kroko &  
Family

Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

In Loving Memory of

**Albert Chestnut**

Sponsored by: Irene Chestnut &  
Family



## Bulletin Sponsor

Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>

In Loving Memory of

**Frank Raiti**

Sponsored by:  
Dorothy Pacinda

Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

In Loving Memory of

Brother-in-Law

**Joseph Pacinda Jr.**

Sponsored by:  
Dorothy Pacinda

## MEN TO HOLD

### CANDLES

Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

John Moon  
John Parimuha  
Tom Patrick  
Dan Ristvey  
Joel Ristvey

Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

Matt Ristvey  
Tom Ristvey  
Pete Roman  
Steve Saluga  
Milan Shumkaroff

## Wedding Anniversary's

June 9<sup>th</sup>

Janice & Bob Bobanick

June 11<sup>th</sup>

Francine & Ed Fabian

June 11<sup>th</sup>

Proto Michael & Pani Eleanor  
Polanichka

June 12<sup>th</sup>

Kathy & Gary Yonchak

June 13<sup>th</sup>

Kaitlin & Charles Chacon