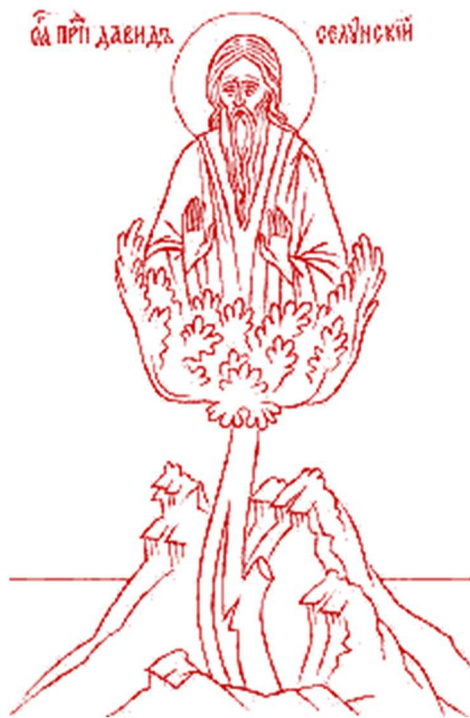


Saint David of Thessaloniki (*in modern-day Greece*) pursued asceticism at the monastery of the holy Martyrs Theodore and Mercurius. Inspired by the example of the holy stylites (pillar dwellers), he lived in an almond tree in constant prayer, keeping strict fast, and enduring heat and cold. He remained there for three years until an angel told him to come down.

Saint David received from God the gift of wonderworking, and he healed many from sickness. The holy ascetic gave spiritual counsel to all who came to him. Having attained to passionlessness, he was like an angel in the flesh, and he was able to take hot coals into his hands without harm. He died the year 540.

*Holy Father David of Thessaloniki, pray for us!*



***On June 26th,  
we remember  
Saint David of  
Thessaloniki***

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**BULLETIN FOR JUNE 26-JULY 9, 2022**

# CALENDAR OF SERVICES & EVENTS FOR JUNE 26-JULY 10, 2022

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| *SUN | 6/26/2022 | SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – ALL SAINTS OF CARPATHO-RUS<br>St. David of Thessalonica                            |
|      | 9:00 AM   | Divine Liturgy<br><i>First Confession Celebration!</i>   |
| TUES | 6/28/2022 | Parastas ( <i>Memorial Service</i> )   |
|      | 8:30 AM   | +Courtney Holt ( <i>Perpetual</i> )<br>++Gelety Family ( <i>Perpetual</i> )<br>++Toten Family ( <i>Perpetual</i> ) |
| WED  | 6/29/2022 | HOLY APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL (HOLYDAY)   |
|      | 9:00 AM   | Divine Liturgy   |
| FRI  | 7/1/2022  | Divine Liturgy   |
|      | 8:30 AM   | ++Van Zanten Family ( <i>Perpetual</i> )   |
| *SUN | 7/3/2022  | THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST   |
|      | 9:00 AM   | Divine Liturgy   |

**Monday, July 4, 2022**

**HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY! GOD BLESS AMERICA!**

|      |           |   |
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| TUES | 7/5/2022  | Parastas ( <i>Memorial Service</i> )  |
|      | 8:30 AM   | +Peter & +Lucille Virostick ( <i>Perpetual</i> )<br>+John Dragan ( <i>Perpetual</i> )<br>++Sekerak Family ( <i>Perpetual</i> )                                    |
| *SUN | 7/10/2022 | FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST   |
|      | 9:00 AM   | Divine Liturgy<br>Panachida: +John Hrapchak, by wife Sheila<br>+Helen & +John Andras Sr. ( <i>Perpetual</i> )<br>+Josephine & +Andrew Dobrovolski ( <i>Per.</i> ) |

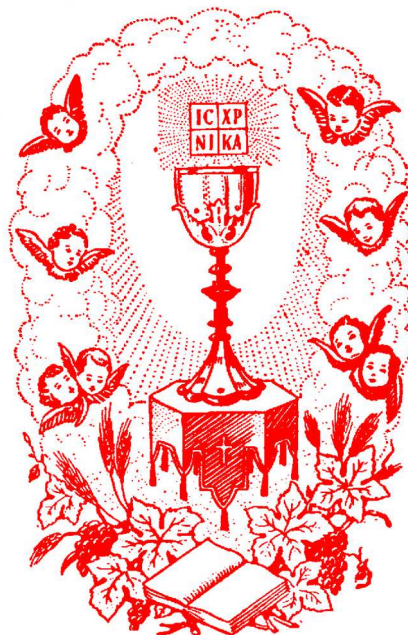
# *Congratulations to Our 2022 First Confession Class!*

**Josie Dinsmore**  
&  
**Blaise Mastroberte**

have received the **Sacrament of Confession** for the first time in advance of Sunday, June 26th. On Sunday, June 26th, we honored them at the Divine Liturgy, and they were able to solemnly receive Holy Communion before the rest of the congregation. We offer our prayers and best wishes as they continue to grow in their Orthodox Christian faith!

*God grant them many years!*

*Please join us for refreshments following Divine Liturgy in honor of our First Confession class.*



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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Graduate Sunday** has been penciled in for Sunday, July 10th. Please let Fr. David know of any graduates from high school or college to be honored!

**Fall Enrichment: Submit Your Ideas!** Most years, Fr. David offers adult religious enrichment sessions during the fall. In the past, we have covered a variety of topics (such as introduction to the Bible, introduction to the Divine Liturgy, small group Bible studies, the lives of the Saints, Orthodox living, etc.). As we look forward to Fall 2022, if you have any particular topics you might be interested in focusing on, please let Fr. David know. In this way, he can assess what people are interested in before planning the topic.

# Stewardship

## *By Dan Hromyak*

*"They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets." - Luke 9:17*

The story of the Loaves and Fishes shows us that when you share what you have, even if it doesn't seem like that much, miracles can happen! Do not think that your gift is too small or insignificant! Each of us has a role in God's plan; you just need to place your trust in the Lord. Nothing is impossible with God. You may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

*"For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters. But do not use this freedom as an opportunity for the flesh; rather serve one another through love." - Galatians 5:13*

We like to celebrate that we are free to "live the good life." We can do what we want, anytime we want, with no regard for laws. But, Jesus calls us to a different kind of freedom. St. Paul reminds us that by imitating Jesus we are freed from becoming a slave to our own self-interests and desires, so that we can serve one another. We are free to share our gifts and promote God's work on earth to glorify His name and not honor ourselves.

| <b>TRAVELING ICON SCHEDULE</b> |                       |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| June 26: Carol Maykowski       | July 10: Helen Blasko |
| July 3: Henry & Sue Van Zanten | July 17: Karen Bich   |

# GOLF SCRAMBLE NOTES

**Mark your calendars!** The 2021 Golf Scramble will be held on **Saturday, August 27th 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 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 \$40.00
- ⇒ 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 \$25 per person. See Francine Fabian to get your ticket!



# 2ND Annual Pierogi Walk/Run Saturday, July 30, 2022



Event registration info can be found on our Facebook page:  
[facebook.com/SaintJohnHermitagePA](https://www.facebook.com/SaintJohnHermitagePA)

Walk/Run begins at 8:30am at Butler Community College at Linden-  
Pointe. Fee is \$25, which includes race day T-Shirt.

For more information, contact talk to Laura Dinsmore.

**NOTE: Due to the rising cost of materials, we are raising the price of pirohi to \$9.00 per dozen.**

## JULY 2022 Pirohi Schedule

**Wednesday, July 27**  
11:00 AM  
Potato Prep

**Thursday, July 28**  
6:00 PM  
Filling Prep

**Friday, July 29**  
8:00 AM  
Pirohi Making and Sale

*Beat the Summer Heat—  
Come Make Pirohi in our  
Air Conditioned Hall!*

## July 2022 Pirohi Order Form

*Order Deadline: July 24, 2022*  
724-981-0571

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Potato-Cheese Pirohi @ **\$9.00**/dozen

\_\_\_\_\_ Butter Only

\_\_\_\_\_ Butter and Onions

**Total Amount Due:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pick-Up on Friday, July 29, 2022  
12:00 Noon—2:00 PM

*(Doors Open at Noon)*

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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.

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| <b>Our Church’s Website:</b>    | <a href="http://stjohnacroc.org">stjohnacroc.org</a>                                      |
| <b>Our YouTube Live Stream:</b> | <a href="https://youtube.com/user/saintjohnsharon">youtube.com/user/saintjohnsharon</a>   |
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