

BULLETIN FOR SEPTEMBER 25-OCTOBER 8, 2022

- *SUN 9/25/2022** **15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 6**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Panachida: +Charles & +Mary Rowlands (Perpetual)
+Frank & +Connie Hall (Perpetual)
- FRI 9/30/2022**
6:00 PM Vespers for the Holyday
- SAT 10/1/2022** **PROTECTION (POKROV) OF THE MOTHER OF GOD (HOLYDAY)**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
- *SUN 10/2/2022** **16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 7**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Panachida: ++Ristvey Family (Perpetual)
++Giroski Family (Perpetual)
- WED 10/5/2022**
9:00 AM Parastas
+Kenneth Grunden, by wife Pauline
- WED 10/5/2022**
11:00 AM Potato Prep
- THURS 10/6/2022**
6:00 PM Filling Prep
- FRI 10/7/2022**
8:00 AM Pirohi Making and Sale
- *SUN 10/9/2022** **17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 8**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Panachida: +Joseph & +Martha Kushner (Anniversary Remembrance)
By Deacon John, Debbie and Emily Anderson
++Kroko Family
++Volsko Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder: Upcoming Church School Classes will be on October 2, 16, and 30. All youth are invited to participate in these lessons and activities.

Pirohi Making on October 7th! Deadline for orders is October 2nd. Please see schedule and order form on page 7 of this bulletin.

Salvation Army Red Kettle—Can You Help? Fr. David is working on coordinating a day (or days) in December when volunteers from our church can

staff a Red Kettle for the Salvation Army at a location in Hermitage. *Please stay tuned for more information!*

Don't Forget: the Distinguished Diocesan Donors program is ongoing! Over the years, the DDD Program has always intensified in the fall. Gifts of \$100 or more will be gratefully received at the Chancery. Checks are payable to: "Distinguished Diocesan Donors" and mailed to: Diocesan Chancery, 312 Garfield St., Johnstown, PA 15906.

Chinese Auction 2022 Sunday, November 20, 2022

Donations Needed

- Cash donations
- Gift cards
- Prize donations

Sponsors Needed

- ~~Lottery tree~~ \$ 100.00 *Taken.....many thanks*
- Basket raffle \$ 250.00
- Main raffle \$ 500.00

Donations can be dropped at the office or to any committee member. Thank you!





A New Icon at Church— from Ukraine, with a Story!

*This icon will be solemnly
blessed at Divine Liturgy
on **Saturday, October 1**—
the holyday of the Protec-
tion of the Mother of God.*

Our church has just received a beautiful hand-painted egg tempera icon of the Mother of God. It is a **gift** from iconographer **Maria Pompa** in Lviv, Ukraine. Why did she give it to *our* church? Maria wanted this icon to go to a church somewhere in the world. To decide, she held an online drawing on her Facebook page, inviting interested priests to participate. Fr. David entered his name, and our church was chosen!

The icon is very unique. It depicts the Mother of God as the “Undoer of Knots.” This theme is based on a quote from an Early Church Father, **St. Irenaeus of Lyons**, who wrote the following sometime between 174 and 189 AD in his book “Against Heresies”:

*“The knot of Eve's disobedience was loosed by the obedience of Mary. For what the virgin Eve had bound fast through unbelief, this did the virgin Mary set free through faith.”
(Against Heresies, Book III, Chapter 22)*

This icon also encourages us to approach Our Lady with the “knots” we have in life—our troubles, cares, and concerns—and ask for her intercession and help. And, being that it is from Ukraine during this time of war, it can serve as a reminder for us to continue our prayers for the people of Ukraine.

We are very grateful to iconographer Maria Pompa! Visit her website to see her other beautiful icons: icon-for-you.com

*“Most glorious Ever-Virgin Mary,
Mother of Christ our God,
accept our prayers and present them to your Son and our God,
that He may, for your sake, enlighten and save our souls.”*

CHINESE AUCTION 2022

We Need Your Support!

Our committee members have been working hard all summer to prepare for our 2022 Chinese Auction. This year, we are hoping that our event will return to normal, the only exception being an additional day for our guests to deposit their tickets.

We will begin to accept donations on October 2, 2022. As we have shared before, with our event coming so late in the year, donations are extremely hard to gather. Your generous help in 2021 made our prizes some of the best we've ever had—and our guests took notice! We will again be asking for cash donations if possible, so that our expert shoppers can get the very best deals. We will also gladly accept any gifts you may have.

To thank everyone who gave us such support last year, we will be hosting a breakfast on Sunday, October 2 after Liturgy. We have enclosed an envelope for your donation and they will be collected at the morning breakfast. We will also continue to accept donations in the following weeks. All monetary gifts will be added to your church donation totals on your annual statement.

Thank you in advance! You can help us make this a great event.

**See you at
breakfast
on October 2!**



Sunday, October 9, 2022

Columbus Day Weekend

5:30 PM until 7:30-8:00ish

(Note Amended Start Time!)

On the Church Grounds

We'll have a **fire** going, **hot dogs**/sausages and **marshmallows** for roasting, **cider** for drinking, seasonal **activities** for our youth, and finish with **Evening Prayers** outside.

ALL are welcome!

There is no cost, but please sign up by October 2nd for planning purposes.

Bring Your Own Lawn Chair/ Blanket

If you don't have one and need a chair, please let us know beforehand.

Want to Help?

- You are welcome to bring a food or dessert item to share.
- You can volunteer to help with set-up and clean-up.



**FALL
FUN
NIGHT**

Stewardship

By Dan Hromyak

"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established..." - Luke 16:25-26

When God created the world, He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." - 2 Timothy 1:7

Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Liturgy or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything - all the time. The next time you are at a neighborhood party or at work or out shopping, would your words and actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

How's Your Financial Stewardship?

As we enter the last quarter of the calendar year 2022, now is a good time to review your personal/family financial support for our parish. Are you staying current with your annual pledge, including the amount designated for the Diocesan Assessment?

*(And remember that, if financial troubles arise, you can **always** speak to Fr. David or Board President Steve Lukac privately about this matter.)*



TRAVELING ICON SCHEDULE	
September 25: The Figiels	October 9: Laura Stigliano
October 2: Julie Lukac and Mary Ann	October 16: Susan Stigliano

OCTOBER 2022 Pirohi Schedule

Wednesday, October 5
11:00 AM
Potato Prep

Thursday, October 6
6:00 PM
Filling Prep

Friday, October 7
8:00 AM
Pirohi Making and Sale

*We are grateful to all those
who are able to help pre-
pare these delicious dump-
lings!*

October 2022 Pirohi Order Form

Order Deadline: October 2, 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, October 7, 2022
12:00 Noon—2:00 PM

(Doors Open at Noon)