

BULLETIN FOR OCTOBER 23-NOVEMBER 5, 2022

- *SUN 10/23/2022** **19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 2**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Panachida: ++Sobey Family (Per.)
 ++Boldish Family (Per.)
 +Stephen & +Mildred Repasky (Per.)
- MON 10/24/2022** *Saint of the Day: Martyr Arethas and Companions*
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy +John & +Dorothy Hando (Perpetual)
- FRI 10/28/2022** *Saint of the Day: St. Arsenius of Cappadocia*
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy +Beckie Kapusta & ++Raiti Family, by the Family
- *SUN 10/30/2022** **20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 3**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Panachida: ++Wanchisin Family (Per.)
 ++Bergkessel Family (Per.)
- WED 11/2/2022**
11:00 AM Potato Prep
- THURS 11/3/2022**
6:00 PM Filling Prep
- FRI 11/4/2022**
8:00 AM Pirohi Making and Sale
- *SUN 11/6/2022** **21ST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 4**
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Panachida: +George Pacinda (Per.)
 ++Pavlick Family (Per.)
 +Michael & +Martha Soloninka (Per.)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Church School Classes will be on October 30 and November 13. All youth are invited to participate in these lessons and activities!

Annual Honoring of Veterans will take place on the Sunday following Veterans Day – Sunday, November 13, 2022. Please contact Fr. David if there are any updates to the parish veteran list.

SPECIAL SERMON TOPIC on Sunday, October 30: “**Witches, Ghosts, and Demons: An Orthodox View of the Paranormal and Occult**”. This will *not* be an anti-Halloween sermon. Rather, it will be a presentation of Orthodox Christian perspectives on many themes that are present in culture and media this time of year.

Chinese Auction 2022 Sunday, November 20, 2022

Donations Needed

- Cash donations
- Gift cards
- Prize donations

Sponsors Needed

- Basket raffle \$ 250.00
- Main raffle \$ 500.00

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



SHENANGO VALLEY'S **ORIGINAL** SINCE 1974

CHINESE AUCTION

Saint John's Orthodox Church Hall
3180 Morefield Road, Hermitage

Sunday, November 20, 2022

Doors Open at 1:00 PM

Drawing Begins at 3:00 PM

Buy and Place Your Tickets Early!

Saturday, November 19, 2022

1:00 to 3:00 PM

Admission: \$5.00

(Includes 1 Sheet of Tickets, Cake, and Coffee)

Extra Sheets: \$3/Sheet or 4/\$10

For More Info, Call (724) 981-0571 stjohnacroc.org

*with
sympathy*

We offer condolences to Steve Saluga and to the whole family at the passing of his father **STEPHEN SALUGA** on October 17th. His funeral was held on October 20th. ***May God grant him blessed repose in His heavenly kingdom. Eternal memory!***

Stewardship

By Dan Hromyak

"...for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one humbles himself will be exalted." - Luke 18:14

Pride and ego are the root causes of most of our sins. Thinking your time is so valuable or your talent is better than anyone else or your money gives you status is another way making those things "gods" before God. Pride is the opposite of humility. Remember, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.

"But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over.'" - Luke 19:8

We are all called to gratefully give back to the Lord in proportion to the gifts we have been given. This means everyone isn't called to give the same amount, but everyone is called to give equal sacrifice. Open your heart and talk to God about how you use your money. How is God calling you to be more generous with your financial resources and possessions?

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.

Revamped Diocesan Website Launched: acrod.org

JOHNSTOWN, PA – [Diocesan Chancery] The long-awaited launch of the newly re-designed website of the American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese of North America has taken place as the time of the XXVth Diocesan Council – Sobor draws near.

The newly designed website was made possible through a collaborative effort between the ACROD Information Technology Apostolate and the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Department of Internet Ministries. It is the result of more than two years of prayer and reflection on the living history of the diocese.

The graphic design is vibrant and warm is designed to change its color palate in keeping with the changing festal/ liturgical season of the Church Year.. Unlike the previous website, it is optimized for mobile devices using responsive design techniques. The new site has a vastly improved and simplified navigation menu to make finding resources more efficient.

In navigating the site, those familiar with the previous design will notice when viewing the home page a deliberate simplification in content, and a more visually appealing and less compressed layout. Also to be noted is that the site navigation is organized in six tabs, down from the ten primary and seven secondary tabs of the previous site.

Some items to keep in mind when navigating the new site is that the home page is designed to be a brief overview of the website content , not a detailed view of all news and events, ministries and programs offered by the Diocese. Viewers will now choose to enter the Diocesan life section to read detailed press releases, complete details of coming events,.. Viewers are urged to take time to fully scroll the entire homepage to familiarize themselves with the content and its placement.

The newly designed website, in the words of His Eminence, Metropolitan Gregory is designed to serve as a “windowed, front door to the Diocese.” In offering his blessing to launch the new website, His Eminence expressed to the staff of

the Information Technology Apostolate his excitement with the new design and that he was “..looking forward to it being a useful tool of communication, not only for the people of our diocese, but also for those outside our diocese including inquirers of Orthodoxy”.

Our newly re-designed diocesan website offers our diocese an exciting opportunity to preach the unchanging Gospel of Christ, in a creative and innovative manner. To this end please note some significant enhancements to the Orthodox Christianity Section of the website with specific targeted resources for inquires and catechumens. In the coming months, more content will be added here, especially in the area of basic catechetical resources for youth, young adults and all interested in deepening their knowledge of the Faith.

It is anticipated that the strategic re-design of our diocesan website will now serve as a catalyst in the Diocese for more collaborative resource creation and sharing to meet the educational and spiritual growth needs of our faithful. We hope, as well that it will serve as the launch pad and hub for an ACROD mobile device APP to make the content more immediately accessible to our youth and young adults.

As we launch the new website, the Diocesan Apostolate for Information Technology and Communications asks for your feedback on the redesign. Please let them know what you think and especially if you encounter any navigational difficulties, broken links, etc by emailing them at infotech@acrod.org.

The Diocesan Apostolate for Information Technology and Communications is responsible for identifying, developing and integrating digital communications and information technologies that are suitable for use within the ministries of the American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese of the USA. It oversees the development and expansion of the Diocese's presence on the Internet and the World Wide Web.



TRAVELING ICON SCHEDULE	
October 23: Mary Ann & Gino Tofani	November 6: Ed & Francine Fabian
October 30: Dr. Emil & Christina Maurer	November 13: Matthew & Dina Fabian

NOVEMBER 2022 Pirohi Schedule

Wednesday, Nov. 2
11:00 AM
Potato Prep

Thursday, Nov. 3
6:00 PM
Filling Prep

Friday, Nov. 4
8:00 AM
Pirohi Making and Sale

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

Nov. 2022 Pirohi Order Form

Order Deadline: October 30, 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, November 4, 2022
12:00 Noon—2:00 PM

(Doors Open at Noon)

SAINT JOHN'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Rev. Father David Mastroberte
Rev. Deacon John Anderson

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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

Eternal Lamp Sponsor

October 23

In loving memory of

Stephen, Mildred & Helen Repasky

From: Katie Hartley & Family

October 30

Celebration of the Wedding Anniversary of

Bob & Lorraine Amos

***Happy Wedding
Anniversary***

October 28

Lorraine & Robert Amos

October 29

Kelly & Tom Hellmann

October 29

Christine & Emil Maurer

November 4

Carol & Dan Ristvey

Bulletin Sponsor

October 23

In loving memory of

Stephen, Mildred & Helen Repasky

From: Katie Hartley & Family

October 30

In loving memory of
Husband/Brother-in-law & Uncle
George Pacinda

From: Dorothy Pacinda & Michael Andras



October 23 Kelly Figiel

October 24 Bob Andras

October 24 Larry Long

October 24 Kathy Piston

October 27 Liz Safin

October 28 David Beight

October 28 Debora

Waryanka

**MEN TO HOLD
CANDLES**

• **Sunday, October 30**

Milan Shumkaroff

Gino Tofani

Henry VanZanten

Donald Yasnowsky

Kevin Yasnowsky

• **Sunday, November 5**

Gary Yonchak

Bob Amos

Jason Baker

Dave Beight

Dennis Burprich

