BULLETIN FOR AUGUST 20-SEPTEMBER 2, 2023

*Sun 8/20/2023 11th Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 2

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Blessing of Students

Perpetual Commemorations for August 20-26:

BLANAR, Steve & Anna

RISTVEY Family: Michael, Anna, John, Stephanie, Steve, Ann, Stevie,

Joseph, Nicholas, George, Mary, Susan, Ann & KANISHAK Family: Andrew, Evelyn, Dorothy

After Liturgy Baptism of Quinn Edward Fabian

TUES 8/22/2023 Saint of the Day:

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy & Weekly Perpetual Commemorations

Fri 8/26/2023

9:00 AM Parastas +John & +Irene Lutz, by Anthony, Kathy & David

*Sun 8/27/2023 12TH Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 3

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Perpetual Commemorations for August 27-September 2:

DZURINDA, Anthony & Helen

Panachida: +Andrew & +Helen Parimuha and Family, by John Parimuha

TUES 8/29/2023 BEHEADING OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (Strict Fast—No Meat or Dairy!)

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Fri 9/1/2023 Church New Year

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy & Weekly Perpetual Commemorations

*Sun 9/3/2023 13TH Sunday After Pentecost – Tone 4

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Perpetual Commemorations for September 3-9:

BARTKO, Mary & Joseph

CHUBA FAM. George Sr, Susan, Anna, John, Mary,

Michael, Tom, George, Sue





Congratulations to **QUINN EDWARD FABIAN** who receives the Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation and Communion on August 20th! May God grant Quinn and his parents Matthew and Dina many, blessed years!

Golf Scramble – THANK YOU!

We thank everyone who participated in and supported the 2023 Golf Scramble on August 19th. A full report will follow in a subsequent bulletin!

August 29th: Beheading of St. John the Baptist

Monday, August 29th is the day set aside to honor the martyric beheading of our church's patron saint, Saint John the Baptist. Due to the solemn nature of this day, we are called to keep a STRICT FAST from all meat and dairy products. Liturgy on August 29th will be at 9:00 AM.

Church School Year "Kick-Off" Event: Outdoor Fun at Camp Nazareth Families, stay tuned! We are currently coordinating this for an afternoon in September. It will be a great way to allow our youth enjoy the beautiful surroundings of our Diocesan Camp.

Mark Your Calendars – 2nd Annual Fall Fun Night on Sunday, October 8, 2023!

STEWARDSHIP From Dan Hromyak

"For the gifts and the call of God are irrevocable." - Romans 11:29

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone. Each of us has a part in God's salvation plan.

"Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?" - Romans 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot give God anything - He already owns it all. God made everything, including us. Since we are made in His image, we too, are called to be generous. How we use our God-given gifts becomes our gift back to Him. Gratitude for all we have been given opens our hearts to joyful generosity! And, through our generosity, we just may be the answer to someone else's prayer.

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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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Our Facebook Page: facebook.com/SaintJohnHermitagePA

Our Diocesan Website: acrod.org

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