

SAINT MARY'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

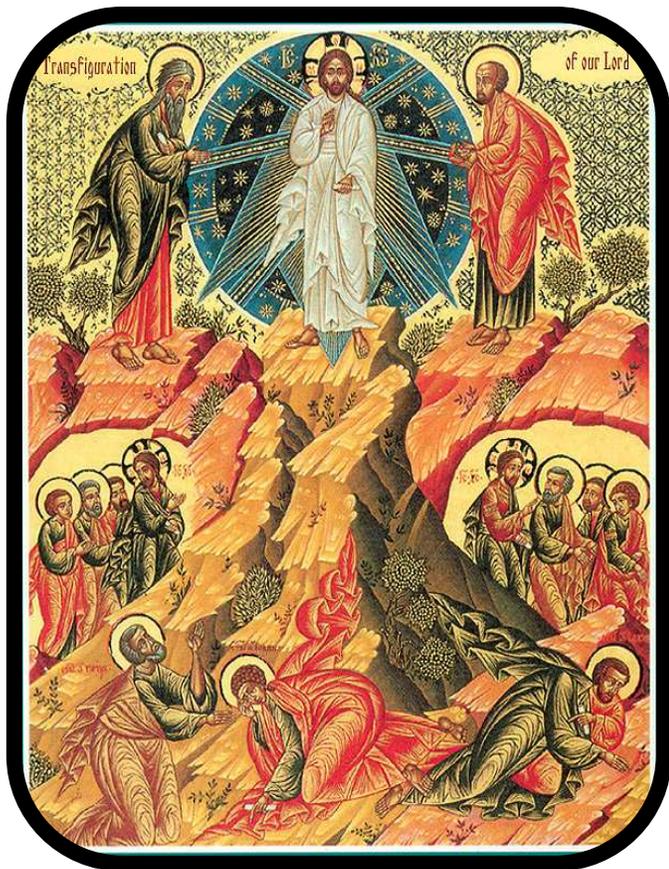
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SUNDAY AUGUST 16, 2015



***11th SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST***

Ss Isaac, Faustus & Dalmatus

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:2-12

Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35

Tone: 2

Liturgical Color: BLUE

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 16, 2015

9:30am Divine Liturgy

Panachida memory of Sophie Risner
offered by John Cowherd

Prayers for our College bound students

Pot Luck Coffee Social

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday August 18, 2015

5:00pm Great Vespers/L'itiya

TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Wednesday August 19, 2015

9:00am Divine Liturgy Transfiguration

Blessing of fruit

Saturday, July 22, 2015

NO VESPERS THIS EVENING

Sunday July 23, 2015

9:00am **PRO LITURGY w/Communion**

Father Deacon Charles Ellis officiating

PLEASE CALL FATHER DAN ON HIS

CELL PHONE 377-0587

IN EMERGENCY

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS



His Grace, Bishop GREGORY; Protopresbyter Frank Miloro; Protopresbyter John Duranko; Protopresbyter Jim Dutko; Protopresbyter Luke Mihaly; Protopresbyter Lawrence Barriger; Protopresbyter Elias Kozar; V. Rev. Thomas Kadlek; V. Rev. Michael Kleban; V. Rev. Jason Kappanadze; Deacon Robert Kuchta; Deacon Charles Ellis; Deacon Donald Koch; Mother Ralphaela; Pani Betty Baranik; Pani Joan; Pani Kathleen Dutko; Pani Patricia Duranko; Mat. Anna Kozar; Pani Helen Shutack; Sally Ellis; Judy Koch; Michael & Jacqueline Banik; Helen Verno; Eleanor Adzima; Sandra Pleban; Amelia Falcon; Stan Lewek; Julio & Judith Falcon; Michael & Delores Kundrat; Mary Kolson; Lyudmyla Hayova; Kathy Preston; Helen Coons; Katherine Macura; Anna Soraparu; Marge Morse; Victoria Kozey; Orestes Mihaly; Tom Cox; Child Zachary Spaulding; Child Michael Cicvak; Mary Benyo; Joan Shaw; Nancy Bleznuck; Rochelle Corby; Karen Fuller; Carole Herrlich; Paul Mertus; Paulina Cherneva; Anna Chudanic; Paul Rodrigues; Dorothy Dymek, Denise Topichak; William Paslawsky;

All our Brothers & Sisters in the Ukraine who are suffering persecution and denial of Human Rights;
All members of our Armed Forces serving our country

Birthdays & Anniversaries for August



BIRTHDAYS

Aug 20 Katherine Mertus

Aug 25 Mary Leonard

Aug 25 Steve Garner

Aug 28 Kristine Garner

Aug 28 Carole Herrlich

Aug 31 Angelina McKane

ANNIVERSARIES

Aug 10 Steve & Kristine Garner

Aug 21 Paul & Diane Rodrigues

Aug 28 Stephan & Barbara Benyo

God grant them many years!



SPRING BASKET RAFFLE

It's never too early to get ready for the Spring Basket Raffle. Summer outdoor toys are on sale, so let's take advantage and purchase one of these toys during the months of July and August. If every church family purchases one item our tub will be filled and ready to go. Please see Diane if you have any questions.

FATHER DEACON CHARLES ELLIS

Will be serving Pro-Liturgy on

Sunday August 23

Pani and I are joining the faithful of St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church in Nesquehoning, PA for the 15th Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Priesthood of Father Robert Teklinski, a good friend and the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Father Robert and Pani Peggy.

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD *from the OCA Website*

The Transfiguration of Christ is one of the central events recorded in the gospels. Immediately after the Lord was recognized by his apostles as “the Christ [Messiah], the Son of the Living God,” he told them that “he must go up to Jerusalem and suffer many things...and be killed and on the third day be raised” (Mt 16). The announcement of Christ’s approaching passion and death was met with indignation by the disciples. And then, after rebuking them, the Lord took Peter, James, and John “up to a high mountain”– by tradition Mount Tabor– and was “transfigured before them.”

... and his face shone like the sun, and his garments became white as snow and behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is well that we are here, if you wish I will make three booths here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.” He was still speaking when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.” When the Disciples heard this, they fell on their faces with awe. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, “Rise, and have no fear.” And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, “Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.”

The Jewish Festival of Booths was a feast of the dwelling of God with men, and the transfiguration of Christ reveals how this dwelling takes place in and through the Messiah, the Son of God in human flesh. There is little doubt that Christ’s transfiguration took place at the time of the Festival of Booths, and that the celebration of the event in the Christian Church became the New Testamental fulfillment of the Old Testamental feast in a way similar to the feasts of Passover and Pentecost.

In the Transfiguration, the apostles see the glory of the Kingdom of God present in majesty in the person of Christ. They see that in him indeed, all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,” that “in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily” (Col 1:29, 2:9). They see this before the crucifixion so that in the resurrection they might know who it is who has suffered for them, and what is that this one, who is God, has prepared for those who love him. This what the Church celebrates in the Feast of the Transfiguration.

Besides the fundamental meaning which the event of the Transfiguration has in the

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context of the life and mission of Christ, and in addition to the theme of the glory of God which is revealed in all of its divine splendor in the face of the Saviour, the presence of Moses and Elijah, is also of great significance for the understanding and celebration of the feast. Many of the hymns refer to these two leading figures of the Old Covenant as do the three scripture readings of Vespers which tell of the manifestation of the glory of God to these holy men of old.

*Moses and Elijah, according to the liturgical verses, are not only the greatest figures of the Old Testament who now come to worship the Son of God in glory, they also are not merely two of the holy men to whom God has revealed himself in the prefigurative theophanies of the old Covenant of Israel. These two figures actually stand for the Old Testament itself: **Moses of the Law and Elijah for the Prophets**. And Christ is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets.*

*They also stand for the **living** and the **dead**, Moses died and his burial place is known, while Elijah was taken alive into heaven in order to appear again to announce the time of God's salvation in Christ the Messiah. Thus, in appearing with Jesus on the mount of Transfiguration, Moses and Elijah show that the Messiah Saviour is here, and that he is the Son of God to whom the Father himself bears witness, the Lord of all creation, of the Old and New Testaments, of the living and the dead. The Transfiguration of Christ in itself is the fulfillment of all the theophanies and manifestations of God, a fulfillment made perfect and complete in the person of Christ. The Transfiguration of Christ reveals to us our ultimate destiny as Christians, the ultimate destiny of all men and all creation to be transformed and glorified by the majestic splendor of God himself.*

There is little doubt that the feast of the Transfiguration of Christ belonged first to the pre-Easter season of the Church. It was perhaps celebrated on one of the Sundays of Lent, for besides certain historical evidence and the fact that today St. Gregory of Palamas, the great teacher of the Transfiguration of Christ, is commemorated during Lent, the event itself is one which definitely connected with the approaching death and resurrection of the Saviour.

The feast of the Transfiguration is presently celebrated on the 6/19th of August, probably for some historical reason. The Summer celebration of the feast, however, has lent itself very well to the theme of transfiguration. The blessing of grapes, as well as other fruits and vegetables on this day is the most beautiful and adequate sign of the final transfiguration of all things in Christ. It signifies the ultimate flowering and fruitfulness of all creation in the paradise of God's unending Kingdom of life where all will be transformed by the glory of the Lord.

FROM FATHER'S DESK



If you would like to meet with Father, please call him @607-962-5285 to arrange a time and place that is convenient to you.

Emergency Sick Calls: Father is available for emergencies at any time. Please call him @ 607-962-5285 or on his cell phone @ 607-377-0587.

Our Mailing Address is:

7 Chatfield Place East Painted Post, NY 14870

Confessions are heard after Vespers on Saturday, after any weekday or Lenten service or by calling Father for an appointment.

Marriages are solemnized on Saturdays. Consult Father at least six months in advance and before plans have been made for the wedding reception. Marriages cannot be celebrated during the fasting seasons of the Church.

Baptisms are normally scheduled on Saturdays or Sundays.

Consult Father for scheduling. Two God-parents are required, at least one of whom must be Orthodox by faith and the other a practicing Christian.

Church Funerals are provided for practicing Orthodox Christians who are current in their Spiritual and Financial obligations to the parish otherwise burial is from the funeral home.

If you would like to schedule a Panachida for your loved one please call Father at 962-5285

The Church does not permit cremation.

CAREFIRST

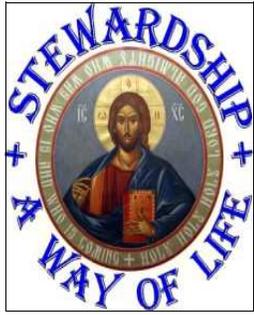
Brought to you by the Ladies Altar Society

Please mark your calendars for a presentation by Carefirst at our coffee hour on Sunday, September 13, 2015. Carefirst is the source for excellent care, support, and knowledge that enables individuals to cope with serious illness and all that comes with it. They embrace families by respecting and empowering them to remain together at home, living their lives to the fullest. Carefirst representative Suzanne Scheibel will speak to us about these services and answer any questions we may have. Please plan to stay for what will surely be a very interesting conversation about topics that every family must face.

ALTAR ITEMS NEEDED!

The following items are needed for use behind the altar and are used during Divine Services:

- * **ALTAR WINE** Approximate Cost: **\$110 case**
 - * **LIQUID PARAFFIN** (Liquid wax for Altar Candles) Approximate Cost: **\$125 Case**
 - * **INCENSE** Approximate Cost **\$55**
- (Items have been ordered and just need a sponsor. Can be in memory of or honor of a loved one.)*



Orthodox Christian Stewardship is a Christ-centered lifestyle, which acknowledges accountability, reverence, and responsibility before God. Orthodox Christian Stewardship is a call to all of the faithful to share willingly and cheerfully the gifts that God has bestowed on them including sharing these gifts for God's work in His Church.

Church Picnic

Save the Date!

Sunday, August 30, 2015

Time: 12 noon Come join us at noon At Gary and Carole Herrlich's Pavilion – 2105 Ellison Rd., Corning, for a day of relaxation, fun, great food and great people.

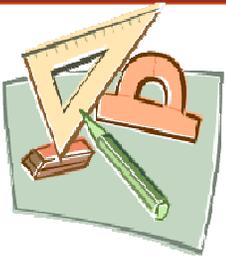
Bring a dish to pass! Don't forget lawn chairs as they are more comfortable than a picnic table bench.

Sign up during Coffee Hour or contact Carole, Nancy Gabel or Jean Cox, Hospitality Committee.

All are welcome. Bring family and friends.

Kids bring fishing pole to fish in the pond

Swimming is also available (after Liturgy) – Rain or Shine!



This is the LAST Sunday!!

ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Please bring in new school supplies for students in the Corning area who need but can't afford them, such as notebooks, filler paper, pencils, erasers, pens and backpacks.