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(PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS)
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SUNDAY DECEMBER 6, 2015



***27th SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST***

Saint Amphilochius of Iconium

***Post-Feast of the Entry of Theotokos
into the Temple***

Epistle: Ephesians: 6:10-17

Gospel: Luke 12:16-21

Tone: 2

Liturgical Color: PURPLE

WEEKLY SCHEDULE



Sunday, December 6

9:30am Divine Liturgy
Panachida in memory of +William
Kerrick offered by
Ted & Rodney Kerrick
Coffee Social ~ Birthdays

Church Council Meeting

Saturday, December 12

4:00pm Great Vespers/Confession

Sunday, December 13

9:30am Divine Liturgy
Coffee Social

Friday, December 18

4:00pm Great Vespers/Litya

Feast of Saint Nicholas

Saturday, December 19

9:00am Divine Liturgy

Feast of Saint Nicholas

Sunday, December 20

9:30am Divine Liturgy Saint Nicholas
Saint Nicholas Day Brunch

THANK YOU....



Thank you so much for all your soap donations. Some lucky winner is going to be luxuriating in an assortment of soaps! Our next basket will be 'WHISTLE FOR TEA'. Please contribute a box of exotic teabags. We will be collecting for this basket until the end of December. If anyone would like to donate a whistling tea kettle, please see Diane Rodrigues. Thanks for helping to make some fantastic baskets.



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; V. Rev. John Udics; Deacon Robert Kuchta; Deacon Charles Ellis; Deacon Donald Koch; Mother Ralphaela; 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; Amelia Falcon; Stan Lewek; Julio & Judith Falcon; Michael & Delores Kundrat; Mary Kolson; Lyudmyla Hayova; Kathy Preston; Helen Coons; Anna Soraparu; Marge Morse; Victoria Kozey; Orestes Mihaly; Child Zachary Spaulding; Child Michael Cicvak; Mary Benyo; Joan Shaw; Nancy Bleznuck; Karen Fuller; Carole Herrlich; Mertus Family; Anna Chudanic; Paul Rodrigues; Denise Topichak; William Paslawsky; Rebecca Cooper, George Officer; Anamarie Kingsbury; Linda Benza; Carol Pierson; Baby Madeline; Helen Chernak

All members of our Armed Forces serving our country at home and abroad



*.....2015 is quickly coming to end and being in the festive season with shopping, parties and all the frustrations the come along with the season, it may be a good time to check your records to see if you have your church obligations have been taken care of. If not, this might be a good time to get caught up. **Remember, it maybe 'Tis the season...., but our operating costs continue holiday season or not!***

Jonathan Share.....son and grandson of Mary Leonard and Joyce Merletti is stationed in Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti, Africa. Let's show that we are thinking of him this holiday season. There will be a box in the hall for you to place a holiday card & note for Jonathan. The **deadline is December 6** so we can make sure Jonathan receives our thoughts and well wishes before Christmas.



2015 CHRISTMAS FAMILY

This year's Christmas family is a family with three young children. Both parents work. After speaking to the grandmother of the family it was decided that a gift certificate to Walmart will be the most helpful. There will be a envelope in the church hall for you to put

your donations by December 13th.

Please help make this family's holidays a bit brighter and financially easier.

Thank you!

2016 SUMMER CAMP

Week #1 July 17 ~ July 23, 2016 Pittsburgh, Mid-Atlantic, Tri-State and Washington Deaneries

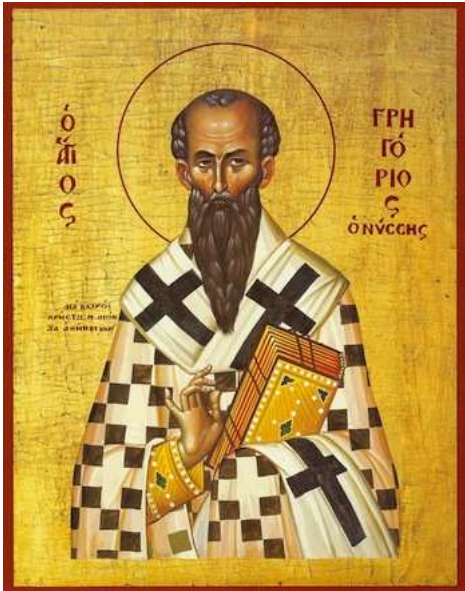
Week #2 July 24 ~ July 30, 2016 New England, NY, NJ, Florida, and Canada Deaneries

Week #3 July 31 ~ Aug 6, 2016 Johnstown, Pocono, Southern Tier, Youngstown, and Chicago Deaneries

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR A WEEK OF FUN!

The all-pure Temple of the Savior, the precious Bridal Chamber and Virgin, the sacred Treasure of the glory of God, is led today into the house of the Lord, and with her she brings the grace of the divine Spirit. Of her God's angels sing in praise: "She is indeed the heavenly Tabernacle."

PLEASURE'S DANGERS



"We want to use self-control in our lives. We must never let our minds dwell on anything where pleasure has hid its bait."

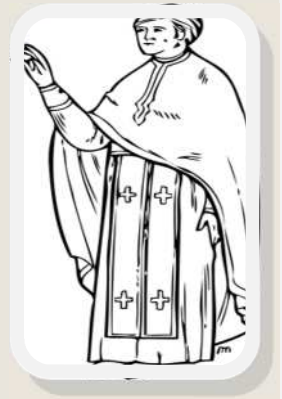
It is perfectly clear that no one can come near God's purity who hasn't become pure first. Therefore, we must place between us and sensual pleasures a high, strong wall of separation. Then as we approach God, our heart's purity won't be soiled again. . . Pleasure is all the same, as we learn from the experts. For just as water separates into various streams from a single fountain, pleasure spreads itself over the pleasure-lover through the various avenues of the senses. And the person who succumbs to pleasure through any sensation has been wounded by that sensation. This corresponds with Christ's teaching that "he who has satisfied the lust of the eyes has received the mischief already in his heart." For I take it that, in this particular example, our Lord was speaking about any of the senses. So we can add to His saying, "He who has heard to lust after": "He who has touched to lust after"; "He who has lowered any faculty within himself to the service of pleasure has sinned in his heart." To prevent this, we want to use self-control in our lives. We must never let our minds dwell on anything where pleasure has hid its bait. . . In everything we do, we must choose the useful amount and leave the rest untouched that would merely indulge the senses.

Saint Gregory of Nyssa

Saint Gregory of Nyssa.....was born in the city of Caesarea near the middle of the fourth century. He was given a comprehensive education by his brother Basil and his sister Macrina. His first profession of the Christian faith came from a vision in which the martyrs of the church appeared to him, chided him for his indifference to the faith, and beat him with rods. Gregory became a rhetorician but in 371 was forced by his brother to become bishop of Nyssa, where he remained until removed in 376. His most important contribution to the Christian faith is the twelve-book **Against Eunomius (an Arian)**, in addition to his treatises on such doctrines as the Trinity, the Resurrection, and Jesus' baptism.

FROM FATHER'S DESK...

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

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES



December 1 Luke Mertus
 December 9 Terzeru Birbirsu
 December 11 Anna McKane
 December 11 Katherine McKane
 December 13 Mary Benyo

December 14 Nancy Coons
 December 14 Stanley Lewek
 December 14 Diane Rodrigues
 December 14 Chase M. Mackiewicz
 December 23 Natalia McKane
 December 29 Myra Svrydenko

O God, grant your servants good health, happiness, and salvation for many blessed years!



CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

Starting November 1!

Dozens of styles to choose from of Orthodox Iconography and beautiful Russian folk art greeting cards for the holidays. Plus cards for weddings, baptisms, sickness and other occasions for sale at only **\$1.50 each**; more than 50% off their retail price and no shipping costs. See Helen Revelas in the church hall after Divine Liturgy to purchase, while supplies last.

*Brought to you by the
Ladies Altar Society*

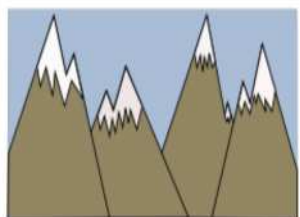
For He has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden: for, behold, henceforth all generations shall call me blessed!



BIRTHDAY SUNDAY TODAY, where we celebrate the members of our parish celebrating a birthday this month. Please remember those less fortunate and bring a donation for our birthday bags to the Corning Community Food Pantry, such as cake mix or frosting. Please provide all donations to Millie Sosonka for assembly.

Brought to you by the Ladies Altar Society

Ladies Altar Society Meeting Next Week 12/13 after the coffee social



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thr	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

2016 CHURCH CALENDARS are here!!!!!!!!!!!!

The 2016 Church Calendars have arrived and are available in the Church Vestibule. Our sincere **THANKS** to Jon and Jennifer Carpenter and the staff of Haughey Funeral Home for once again sponsoring our church calendars.

Please take 1 or 2 calendars to make sure everyone who wants one gets one!

Who can describe Your power, Lord, or who can give proper praise of all the good You have done for our sakes? For You wished to reveal the Mystery hidden from the ages— the Mystery of Your only-begotten Son becoming man for the salvation of mankind. You wished to bring to its appointed end that which the Prophet David announced. For this You chose Your Mother as a dwelling for the manifestation of Yourself according to the flesh. From her You assumed all that belongs to man and made new. Today we celebrate the feast of her entrance into the temple. We thank You, for You have given us all that is good. Through her we pray that You show Your face to us, and make known to us how we can please You. Deliver us from the deceits of the evil one and show us the way to salvation through repentance. Keep us joyful as we celebrate this holy feast. For You are a God of mercy and we give glory to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Amvon prayer of the Feast of the Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple