

SAINT MARY'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SUNDAY February 21, 2016



Sunday of the
Publican & the Pharisee

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Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15

Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

Tone: 5

Liturgical Color: GOLD

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Diocesan Website: <http://www.acrod.org>

Camp Nazareth: <http://www.campnazareth.org>

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You Tube: <https://youtube.com/acroddiocese>

WEEKLY SCHEDULE



Sunday, February 21, 2016

9:30am Divine Liturgy

Potluck Social

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Saturday, February 27, 2016

4:00pm Great Vespers

Sunday, February 28, 2016

9:30am Divine Liturgy

"For Your steadfast love was
established forever.
Your faithfulness is firm
as the heavens!



CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

Month of FEBRUARY PANI JOAN

Month of MARCH GLORIA EWSUK

SPRING BASKET RAFFLE



It's time to get ready for the Spring Basket Raffle. We already completed 3 baskets and it's just February! There will be a list in the hall if you would like to sponsor a basket. Team up with a partner if you don't want to do a basket by yourself. We will also need door prizes. Ideas need to be firmed up by March 20th so the basket descriptions will be ready for ticket sales.

COOKIES FOR SALE



The Altar Society has Italian cookies left from their previous bake sale.

OUR OVERAGE IS YOUR GAIN!

\$4.00 DOZ. See Diane or Helen!

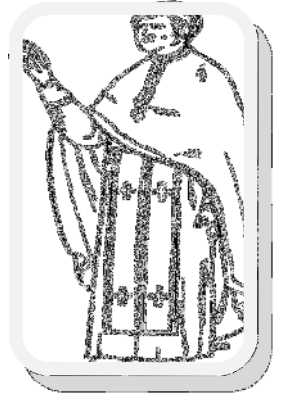
DIOCESAN SOBOR 2016.....



We are looking for two parishioners to serve as delegates to the 2016 Diocesan SOBOR to be held in Johnstown, PA beginning **Sunday October 9** and running through **Wednesday October 12, 2016**. Why not consider being a part of the SOBOR and seeing how our Diocese operates first hand and get to contribute ideas on how to make our Diocese better. If interested please see Chuck Coons or Father Dan.

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.



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 Kenneth Bachofsky
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 Joan; Pani Kathleen Dutko; Pani Patricia Duranko; Mat. Anna Kozar;
Pani Helen Shutack; Pani-Matka Julia Romanchak; 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; Mertus Family; Anna Chudanic; Paul Rodrigues; Denise Topichak; Rebecca Cooper; George Officer; Linda Benza; Carol Pierson; Baby Madeline; Helen Chernak; Michael Matzkevich; Karen Kluchonic; Marlene Wheet; Michael Herrlich; William Paslawsky; Kathleen Petrochko
All members of our Armed Forces serving our country at home and abroad

SPIRITUAL EXERCISE!

Preparing the heart means unlearning evil prejudices. It is dusting off the tablet before attempting to write on it. Now solitude is most useful for this purpose. It quiets our passions and makes room for holiness to cut them out of the soul. . . So then, set aside a place for yourself, separate from contact with other people so that your spiritual exercises won't be interrupted. Pure, devoted exercises nourish the soul with godly thoughts. What can be better than imitating angel, choruses on earth, or beginning the day with hymns and songs, or, as the day brightens, praying throughout our duties and seasoning our work with hymns, as with salt? Soothing hymns compose the mind, bringing it into a calm, cheerful state. So then, as I have said, quiet is the first step in our sanctification. It is the tongue that has been purified of the world's gossip. It is the eyes that are unexcited by beautiful color or lovely shape. It is the ear that doesn't relax the tone or mind by sensual songs, nor talk flippantly and joke about people. In this way, the mind is saved from external sensations. It falls back on itself and not on worldly senses. As a result, the mind rises up to contemplating God.

Saint Basil the Great

Basil was born into the family that included Gregory of Nyssa. Basil received an excellent rhetorical education and later became a powerful influence on the church in Caesarea in Cappadocia. At school, he became good friends with Gregory Nazianzen and later taught rhetoric in Athens. Influenced by his sister Macrina, he became a monk and started a monastery at his family residence. Later in life Basil became a presbyter and finally the bishop in the church of Caesarea. Despite the persecution of Emperor Valens, he remained steadfastly loyal to his Lord. His greatest works include the *Hexaemeron*, a series of lectures on the beginning chapters of Genesis, and a treatise entitled *On the Holy Spirit*.

SOUL MUSIC

“You should keep all your soul’s parts completely stretched, well strung, and reinforced with spiritual salt.”

Let us allow Christ to speak through us. He desires it more than we do. For He made this instrument and wouldn’t want it to be useless and idle. He always wants to keep it in His hands. Why, then don’t you make it useful for the Maker’s hand? Why do you allow your soul to be unstrung, relaxed through luxury, and allow the whole harp to be useless to Him? You should keep all its parts completely stretched, well strung, and reinforced with spiritual salt. For if Christ sees your soul tuned this way, He will make His music through it. When this has taken place, you will see angels leaping for joy (archangels and the cherubim too). So then, let us become worthy of His spotless hands. Let us invite Him to strike our hearts. Rather, He doesn’t need inviting. If you make it worthy of His touch, He will be the first to run to you. Considering that He runs to those who haven’t become their best yet, when He sees one completely equipped, what won’t He do? If Christ makes music and the Spirit rests on us, we will be better than heaven. Although we won’t have the sun and the moon adorning our body, the Lord of the sun, moon, and angels will be dwelling and walking in us.

Saint John Chrysostom

ALFRED UNIVERSITY’S PRESIDENT’S & DEANS LIST...

Two of our college students attending Alfred University have been named to the Fall, 2015 semester President’s List and Deans List.

Alexander Tostanoski ~ Deans List; President’s List

Nicholas Tostanoski ~ Deans List; President’s List

Congratulations Alexander and Nicholas! We are so proud of both of you!

Keep up the good work!

Rafael Grigorian Ballet Theatre

presents

"Carmen" and "Lovely"
Choreography by
Rafael Grigorian

"Lovely"



Clemens Center, Elmira, NY
February 23, 2016 7:00PM
t.607-734-8191

Forum, Binghamton, NY
February 27, 2016 2:00PM
t.607-778-1369

Camp Nazareth Registration

Please Note that Online Registration will begin on February 22 NOT February 15 as originally intended!!

\$20 Early Bird Discount Per Child!!!!
(one-time only, not per week)

Register & pay by May 15, 2016!!!!

Register Online at campnazareth.org

Online Registration Begins February 22

Online Registration MUST be complete AND payment must be submitted by May 15 in order to qualify for the Early Bird Discount.

Registrations after June 14 will incur an additional \$20 late fee!!

- When you register online please note that **you will still need to submit a paper copy of the Medical Examination Form (i.e. Camper Physical)** which must be filled out and signed by a licensed medical professional (licensed physician or physician's assistant). This form will be emailed to you after you complete the online registration process.
- Payment by check, money order, or credit card is accepted.** Checks and Money Orders are to be made payable to *Camp Nazareth* and sent to *Camp Nazareth at 339 Pew Road, Mercer, PA 16137.*

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!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday to:

February 20 Nicholas Tostanoski

February 24 Lyudmyla Hoyova

MAY GOD GRANT YOUR SERV-
ANTS ON THEIR SPECIAL DAY
GOOD HEALTH, HAPPINESS, AND
SALVATION FOR MANY BLESSED
YEARS! MNOHAJA L'ITA!



THANK YOU!

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THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the 2016 Souper Bowl of Caring. We collected 54 cans of soups, in addition to our routine collections, for the Corning Community Food Pantry. I'm sure it will be very much appreciated on cold days like we have experienced recently.

# Annual Diocesan Lenten Retreats For All Orthodox Christians, Family & Friends

CENTRAL REGION LOCATION:

St Nicholas Church

DATE: Sat April 9, 2016 TIME: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Homestead, PA

TOPIC: PRESENTER:

Adults/Teens Faith vs. Science His Grace, Bishop Gregory

Ages 6-12 My Orthodox Faith: Learning, Loving & Living Fr. David Urban

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 4/2/16

EASTERN REGION LOCATION:

The Conference Center at Valley Forge

Phoenixville, PA

TOPIC: PRESENTER:

Adults The Synergy of Faith and Works for Fr. Michael Chendorain Living and Sharing Our Orthodox Faith

Ages 12-18 The Spiritual Life: Prayer in Action Fr. William Bennett

Ages 6-11 We Are The Church: How Am I A Part Of God's Family? Fr. William George

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 4/2/16

**Come Escape  
From the World  
For A Day and  
Be Spiritually  
Renewed!**

**Sponsored by  
National ACRY**

WESTERN REGION

A Family Retreat For All Ages!

LOCATION: Christ The Saviour Church-Rockford, IL

DATE: Sat April 16, 2016 TIME: 1:00 pm (CST)

THEME: "For the Life of the World." - John 6:51

Youth Activity -Akathist of Thanksgiving Glory to God for All Things ☒ Transformation to Transfiguration

Parish Outreach and Faith in College Life  
A Homily By Father Gregory Allard ☒ For the Life of the World  
Keynote Address - Laura Paulus