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SUNDAY JULY 12, 2015



6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Ss. Peter & Paul

Epistle: Romans 12:6-14 and
2nd Corinthians 11:21-12:9
Gospel: Matthew 13:54-58
Matthew 16:13-19

Tone: 5

Liturgical Color: GREEN

WEEKLY SCHEDULE



Sunday, July 12

9:30am Divine Liturgy
Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul
Coffee Social

Saturday, July 18

5:00pm Vespers/Confession

Sunday, July 19

9:30am Divine Liturgy
Installation of
Ladies Altar Society Officers
Coffee Social

BLESSING OF CARS

*O Lord You have received the steadfast
preachers of the good news, the leader of
Your Apostles, into the enjoyment of Your
goodness and repose.*

*You have accepted their labors and death be-
fore any other sacrifice for only You know the
secrets of our heart.*

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; Mae Antos; Child Zachary Spaulding; Child Michael Cicvak; Mary Benyo; Joan Shaw; Nancy Bleznuck; Rochelle Corby; Tim Burroughs; Karen Fuller; Carole Herrlich; Paul Mertus; Paulina Chervenava; Anna Chudanic; Paul Rodrigues; Rita Hulme; Dorothy Dymek, Denise Topichak

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 JUNE

BIRTHDAYS

July 8 Josh Powers

July 8 Michael Herrlich

July 16 Alexia

July 16 Elaine Kerrick

July 28 Jerry Leonard

July 30 Paul Topichak

ANNIVERSARIES

July 12 Stan & Nancy Lewek

July 21 David & Michele Benyo

July 29 Jerry & Mary Leonard

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

Birthday Bag Project for Corning Food Pantry



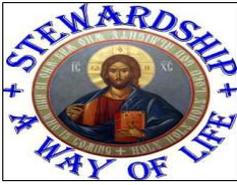
The Altar Society is asking parishioners to support the Birthday Bags Project for the Corning Food Pantry.

Items Needed for July and August

- Canned icing (vanilla or chocolate)
- Mini or snack sized candies (Hershey M&M's, Tootsie Rolls, Milky Way, Twix, Hershey Cookies & Cream) Dum.Dum lollipops.
- Money donations will be greatly appreciated if you do not wish to purchase the above items.

See: **Millie Sosonka**

Thanks for Your Support – God Bless You!



On Stewardship and the Orthodox Life - Part 4: Our Bountiful Benefactor

“Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.” (Psalm 23:6 RSV)

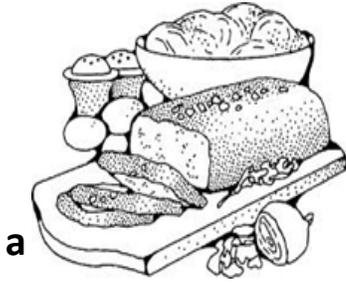
The power and constancy of God is shown forth in the beating of the heart, in the actions of the lungs and in the network of vessels, large and small, that circulate life-giving blood throughout the body. We are indebted to God for every moment of existence, and for all the comforts of life. The powers and abilities of the human being that elevate him above “lower” creation are all gifts of the Creator.

He loads us with His benefits: the food we eat; the water we drink, the clothes we wear, the air we breathe. God is a bountiful Benefactor and Preserver. All around us we see the glories of God as Creator: the brilliant sun and the gentle moon; the showers that refresh the land and cause vegetation to flourish; the lofty trees; the shrubs and plants, the waving grain, the blue sky, the green earth, the changes of day and night, the renewing seasons, all speak to us of God’s creative love.

As the Creator constantly gives to us, so we constantly give in return. When the heavenly Benefactor stops giving to us, only then may we be excused; for then we shall have nothing to give back. God has never left us without evidence of His love. We are sustained at every moment by God’s care, and upheld by His power.

Herein do we find the basis for stewardship in our Orthodox life. God’s goodness and mercy follow us every step of the way. Not until we wish God our Father to stop giving His gifts to us should we say, “Is there no end to giving?” Not only should we faithfully give to God our regular tithes of money (the Biblical standard of 10% of all our income – which is His own anyway!) but we should bring even more as a special tribute of gratitude as we contemplate all of His gracious bounty bestowed on us.

Be sure. The Lord does not need our offerings. We cannot enrich Him by our gifts. Yet God permits us to show our appreciation of His mercies by self-sacrificing efforts to extend the same to others. This is the only way in which it is possible to show our gratitude and love to God. He has provided no other way.



Pot Luck & Pantry Next Week

As you bring something to share with our parish during our social hour, think of those who can't afford a meal and bring donation for the Corning Community Food Pantry.

Brought to you by the Ladies Altar Society

The Holy Apostles Peter and Paul

The divinely-blessed Peter was from Bethsaida of Galilee. He was the son of Jonas and the brother of Andrew the First-called. He was a fisherman by trade, unlearned and poor, and was called Simon; later he was named Peter by the Lord Jesus Christ Himself, Who looked at him and said, "Thou art Simon the son of Joans; thou shalt be called Cephas (which is by interpretation, Peter)" (John 1:42).

On being raised by the Lord to the dignity of an Apostle and becoming inseparable from Him as His zealous disciple, he followed Him from the beginning of His preaching of salvation up until the very Passion, when in the court of Caiaphas the high priest, he denied Him thrice because of his fear of the Jews and of the danger at hand. But again, after many bitter tears, he received complete forgiveness of his transgression.

After the Resurrection of Christ and the descent of the Holy Spirit, he preached in Judea, Antioch, and certain parts of Asia, and finally came to Rome, where he was crucified upside down by Nero, and thus ascended to the eternal habitations about the year 66 or 68, leaving two Catholic (General) Epistles to the Church of Christ.

Paul, the chosen vessel of Christ, the glory of the Church, the Apostle of the Nations and teacher of the whole world, was a Jew by race, of the tribe of Benjamin, having Tarsus as his homeland. He was a Roman citizen, fluent in the Greek language, an expert in knowledge of the Law, a Pharisee, born of a Pharisee, and a disciple of Gamaliel, a Pharisee and notable teacher of the Law in Jerusalem. For this cause, from the beginning, Paul was a fervent zealot for the traditions of the Jews and a great persecutor of the Church of Christ; at that time, his name was Saul (Acts 22:3-4).

In his great passion of rage and fury against the disciples of the Lord, he went to Damascus bearing letters of introduction from the high priest. His intention was to bring the disciples of Christ back to Jerusalem in bonds. As he was approaching Damascus, about midday there suddenly shone upon him a light from Heaven. Falling on the earth, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why persecutes thou Me?" and he asked, "Who art Thou, Lord? And the Lord said, "I am Jesus Whom thou persecutes; it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks." And that heavenly voice and brilliance made him tremble, and he was blinded for a time. He was led by the hand into the city, and on account of a divine revelation to the Apostle Ananias, he was baptized by him, and both his bodily and spiritual eyes were opened to the knowledge of the Sun of Righteousness

Excerpts from Feast of the Holy, Glorious, and All-Praiseworthy Chiefs of the Apostles, Peter and Paul
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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.

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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.



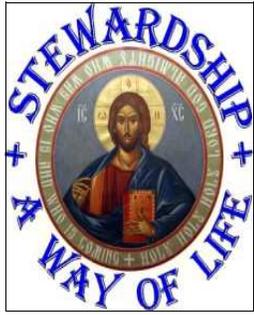
This summer, St. Mary's Altar Society's outing will be a luncheon on Seneca Lake,

Saturday, August 15.

All women of the parish are invited. We will dine in the covered patio area of Seneca Harbor restaurant, located on the lake next to

Captain Bill's boat dock. Since we will be able to order from the menu that day, the cost of your meal will depend on what you select.

Please let Joyce Merletti know as soon as possible if you plan to attend so the correct number of reservations can be made. Hopefully we can carpool, and you will be informed soon about the time and place of meeting.



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.

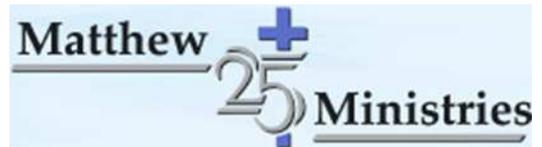
Pill Bottle Collection



In developing countries, medicines are often dispensed into hands, pockets, leaves, or torn scraps of paper. You can help to change this by donating empty pill bottles to help improve health care quality in developing nations.

Please bring in your empty, clean, **unlabeled**, pill bottles and place in the box in the church hall. Include prescription and over-the-counter bottles, with and without child resistant caps. We will forward to a charity that provides them to medical facilities around the world. If you like, include a nickel, dime or quarter in the bottle to help with shipping costs. For more information, please see Carol Telehany.

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SAVE THE DATE – AUGUST 30
Church Picnic at the estate of Carole and Gary Herrlich. Details to follow.

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REMINDER

Please provide any announcements for next month's calendar to Helen Revelas by the 15th.