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### THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 6

Ven. Paul of Thebes and John Calabytes *the Hut-dweller*; Ven. Pansophius the Martyr of Alexandria; Ven. Prochorus the Abbot in the Vranski Desert on the River Pshina; Ven. Gabriel the Founder of Lesnovo Monastery

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:15-17

Gospel: Luke 18:18-27

### \* The Liturgical & Study Week Ahead \*

Tues, Jan 17 7:00 a.m.	<b>Venerable and Godbearing Father Anthony the Great</b> Matins
Sat, Jan 21	5:00 p.m. Confessions 6:30 p.m. Panihida for <b>Andre Tirenin</b> (1yr) offered by <b>the family</b> 7:00 p.m. Vespers followed by General Confession
Sun, Jan 22 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy	<b>32<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 7</b> Apostle Timothy of the Seventy; Monk-martyr Anastasius the Persian Epistle: 1 Tim 1:15-17      Gospel: Luke 18:35-43

### \* What's Up in Our Parish \*

**Church School Classes** will meet **TODAY** following the Liturgy Dismissal.

The **Altar Society** will meet in the church hall on **Monday, January 16**, at 6 p.m.

There will be a **Parish Council Meeting** in the hall on **Monday, January 16**, at 7 p.m., to discuss the 2012 budget; all members are asked to attend.

**Choir Rehearsal** will be held in the church on **Tuesday, January 17**, at 7 p.m.

All **ticket members and guests** are invited to the **Annual 25 Week Club Dinner** hosted by the **Men's Club**, on **Thursday, January 19**, starting at 6 p.m., in the hall. (*Guest tickets are \$10.*) In addition to a great buffet, there will also be refreshments and door/cash prizes. It only happens once a year—don't miss out on this fun-filled evening! (**NOTE TO CLUB MEMBERS:** *Help is needed on **Wednesday, January 18**, at 6 p.m., to set up tables.*)

Our **Annual Parish Meeting** is scheduled for **Sunday, February 12**, following Coffee Hour. Mark your calendars and plan to stay for this very important gathering.

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\* *News That Matters* \*

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**STEWARDSHIP: TIME & TREASURE** Attendance at Liturgy last Sunday was **132**.

**MINISTRY DUTIES** The Epistle will be read next Sunday by **Gregory Sprogis**. Coffee Hour will be hosted by the **Altar Society**. The church will be cleaned by **Team Pelleriti**.

**INTERESTED IN PURCHASING ORTHODOX LITERATURE?** Visit the following websites: *Conciliar Press:* [www.conciliarpress.com](http://www.conciliarpress.com); *Light & Life:* [www.light-n-life.com](http://www.light-n-life.com); *Holy Cross Press:* [www.holycrossbookstore.com](http://www.holycrossbookstore.com); *Saint Vladimir's Press:* [www.svspress.com](http://www.svspress.com); *Saint Tikhon's Press:* [www.stspress.com](http://www.stspress.com).

**MEMORY ETERNAL** Embraced by her loving husband, **Archpriest Daniel**, and family, the handmaid of God, **Matushka Barbara Pavelchak**, fell asleep in the Lord on Friday, January 6, the Feast of Theophany. She was very active in *Saint Nicholas Church* in Cohoes, NY, serving as the choir director. We extend our condolences to Fr. Daniel and our sister parish. May everyone who knew Matushka find comfort in the promise of eternal life and in the kindness of others—Vechnaya Pamyat!

**OUR BEST WISHES** to **Dr. John Paul & Mrs. Tamara (Vostok) Krasting** who were united in Holy Matrimony yesterday. May God bless their life together in Christ with ever-growing love, happiness and holiness for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

**THE DISTINGUISHED DIOCESAN BENEFACTORS (DDB) PROGRAM** is an initiative launched last year by His Grace, Bishop MICHAEL, to fund essential ministries in our diocese, such as mission parishes, seminarian education and support for older struggling parishes. To date, \$100,000+ has been contributed by men, women, parishes and organizations throughout New York and New Jersey; the work of the Church is being funded as never before! If you are not already a DDB, consider becoming one this year by offering a sacrificial gift of \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1000 or whatever you are able to give to help our diocese. Your support is what being a DDB is all about. Your love, your prayers and your sharing of the riches with which you have been blessed make it all possible. Detailed informational brochures are available at the Candle Desk. Please take seriously this invitation to be a part of a group united by faith, love and a commitment to fulfilling the work God has entrusted to our care. Thanks.

**WE ARE PRAYING FOR** the following parishioners, family members and friends this week:

**Departed**

Faith Wolf  
Anna Durovich  
Gary Kottkamp  
Maria Albino  
Anna Silvanovich  
Matushka Barbara Pavelchak

Elaine Ashton  
Irene Boule  
Edward Romanofsky  
Walentyna Posluszny  
Alan Zenkert  
Michael Dargento  
Julia Glazer  
Joseph Casale  
Donna Casale  
Lasha Giorgi Pozidis  
Dorothy Swenticky  
John Cameron  
Sarah Hall  
Katherine Tarzewski  
Denise Yager  
Martha Drobnak

**Sick**

Anne LaMonica  
Timothy Magee  
John Centrello  
Nancy Filak  
Charles Csenica  
Barbara Parhizgar  
Mikola Zakrewsky  
Kim Walker  
Dennis Silowka  
Benedetto Pelleriti  
Alexandre Kurtanidze  
Darren Flynn  
Beth Williscroft  
Malcolm Bradford  
Rina D'Amico  
Barbara Longo

**Servicemen**

Ivan Shidlovsky  
Lisa Beard  
Gregory Nosol  
June Buyofsky-Rittman  
David T. Floyd  
Patrick Lohr  
Keith Sudder  
Priest Paul Rivers  
Patrick Baldwin  
Timothy Stepan  
Michael Gregus  
Peter Shaw  
Jacqueline Martinez  
Karen Bonet  
David Gambert  
Fred Bush

Dorothy Sopchak  
Margo Stewart  
Barbara Wyluda  
Arlene Krell  
Beverly Vietti  
Adam Huba  
Thea Casale  
David Hebert  
Robert Smith  
Thomas Roche  
Theresa Rogozenski  
Olga Romanofsky  
Alyssa Rosatelli  
John Bihuniak  
Larry Kimpert  
Patricia Cottrell  
Elaine Schwartz  
Athene Demitry

Charlene Sofer  
Brenda Foster  
Paul Pavlik  
Stavroula Parks  
Priest Herman Schick  
Subdeacon Basil Quinn  
Archpriest Thomas Edwards  
Eva Fedash  
Olga Kozlov  
Bishop NIKON (Liolin)  
Archpriest Alexander Atty  
Ivert (Fred) Kirkirt  
Melissa  
Anna Janiszewski  
Archpriest Paul White  
Myrna Woznica  
Joseph (Jay) Pelleriti

Travis Hartman  
Elizabeth Brent  
Kyle Abbott  
Priest Sean Levine  
Gary Amatrudo Jr.  
Steven Moore

Notify Fr. David or Starosta if you have anyone else who should be included on this list. May they all be under the grace and tender watch of our Lord.

**2011 GIVING STATEMENTS** for tax purposes will be provided **UPON REQUEST ONLY**. To receive a copy, put your name on the sign-up sheet at the Candle Desk. Completed statements will be available next Sunday.

**THE 2012 ANNUAL PARISH ASSESSMENT** is **\$200** per person, \$144 of which supports the administration of the Central Church (OCA) and the Diocese of New York and New Jersey; the remaining \$56 goes towards the day-to-day operating costs of our parish. Please be sure that you remit this financial obligation before the end of the year.

**CLEANING OF THE CHURCH** The general maintenance of the church (vacuuming, removing candles/wax, dusting, etc.) is now being handled by **parishioners** on a **monthly basis**. Since this cost-saving measure was announced in late November, four "teams," comprised of families and/or individuals, have stepped up to cover January, February, June and July; eight additional groups are needed for the remainder of the year. If no one comes forward voluntarily for this important task, **ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE MADE!** See/Contact Carol Deerson (732-254-4979) or Jay Pelleriti (732-257-4478) if you any questions or require assistance forming a team. We have a wonderful place in which to worship God—we should **ALL** do our best to take care of it!

**2012 CHURCH CALENDARS** are available at the Candle Desk. If you have not yet picked up one, please do so.

**FOOD CARD PROGRAM** If you aren't doing so already, please consider buying food gift cards that can be used, instead of cash, when purchasing groceries at your local supermarket. For every \$100 dollars sold, the parish gets \$5...every little bit helps to bring in added funds. **Food Cards – Because It Doesn't Make Cents Not To!**

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Roman & Eva Jaworki** on the baptism and chrismation yesterday of their daughter, **Sophia**. We rejoice with them as she becomes a child of God and a member of His own family. May she enjoy good health and long life for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

**HOUSE BLESSING SCHEDULE** Starting at 1 p.m. **TODAY**, Father David will be performing house blessings in **Trenton, Mercerville, Lawrenceville, Princeton, Yardville** and **Cream Ridge**. Father is looking forward to the opportunity to come to your home and pray with you. If you have any questions or conflicts, please call him at the rectory (732-257-0102). Also, if your house was not blessed last year and you would like it to be this year, contact him.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES** go out this week to **Brenda Adams** and **Sonia Plutnick**. May God's love continue to be with them for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

**SERVING ON PARISH COUNCIL** As we continue to grow as a community, we can always use more help, especially on the Parish Council. Many people have already answered the “call to action” by getting involved and volunteering their own personal time and talents. However, there is much more to be done. Even if you have not been on Council before, but have thought about it, now is the time to seriously consider joining. Please speak with Sonja Harris (732-257-6774) or Jay Pelleriti (732-257-4478). Together, we can all make this God-protected community a positive stepping stone in our future.

**A JOYOUS 44<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** this week to **Robert and Joan Pisuk**. May the love they share continue to grow for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

**USE OF THE CHURCH HALL** In order to avoid scheduling conflicts, all parish organizations and parishioners must contact Carol Deerson (732-254-4979) to book the hall for meetings and events.

**THE DEADLINE** to submit all info for next Sunday’s bulletin is **Thursday evening**. You can reach Fr. David at the rectory or get in touch with our Bulletin Editor, James Kornafel, by phone (732-462-3388), fax (732-845-3515) or E-mail ([jimmyk@optonline.net](mailto:jimmyk@optonline.net)).

*Glory to Jesus Christ!*

*Glory Forever!*