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June 10, 2012

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 8—SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS

Hieromartyr Timothy, Bishop of Prussa; Ven. Silvanus the Schema-monk of the Kiev Caves; The Finding of the Relics of St. Basil, Bishop of Riazan; St. John Maximovitch, Metropolitan of Tobolsk; Martyr Alexander and Virgin-martyr Antonina at Constantinople; Ven. Theophanes of Antioch; St. Bassian, Bishop of Lodi in Lombardy

Epistle: Hebrews 11:33-12:2

Gospel: Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30

* The Liturgical & Study Week Ahead *

Mon, June 11 **BEGINNING OF THE APOSTLES (PETER & PAUL) FAST**

Tues, June 12 7:00 a.m. Daily Matins

Sat, June 16 5:00 p.m. Confessions
7:00 p.m. Vespers followed by General Confession

Sun, June 17 **2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 1—SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA**

9:00 a.m. Martyrs Samuel, Sabel and Ismael

Divine Liturgy Epistles: Rom 2:10-16

Gospels: Matt 4:18-23

Heb 11:33-12:1 (Saints)

Matt 4:26-5:12 (Saints)

(During Liturgy, prayers for the living and deceased fathers of our parish will be offered. After the Liturgy, the Church School Closing & Graduate Recognition Exercises will be held.)

* What's Up in Our Parish *

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

Choir Rehearsal will be held in the church on **Tuesday, June 12**, at 7 p.m.

All parishioners are welcomed to help in **Holy Bread (Prosphora) Baking** on **Saturday, June 16**, starting at 9 a.m., in the church hall. This bread is made as an offering to the Lord and the church, as it will become the precious Body of Christ at each and every Liturgy. Come and be a part of this blessed ministry.

Church School Closing/Graduate Recognition Exercises will be held **next Sunday, June 17**, following the Divine Liturgy. Please make every effort to have your children in church on this day.

Parish Council will meet in the church hall on **Monday, June 18**, at 7 p.m.

The **Men's Club** will meet on **Thursday, June 21**, at 7 p.m., in the church hall.

The **17th Annual Run/Walk for the Church** will be held on **Saturday, June 23**; see the letter in this week's bulletin for all the details.

Have questions about the Holy Orthodox Faith? Wish Father David would talk about this or that in a sermon? Here's your chance! On **Sunday, June 24**, Father will hold a **Faith Feedback Session** during Coffee Hour to answer all your queries. Cards are available at the Candle Desk. Please write down your inquiry and simply drop it in the *Faith Feedback Question Box*. Remember that this is not a forum for questions about current parish concerns; rather, it is an opportunity to ask about anything else regarding the Faith: its worship, saints, positions on issues, history and more. Thanks for participating!

Our **Patronal Feast Day Celebration** will be held on **Friday, June 29**. Divine Liturgy with Procession will be served at 9 a.m., followed by a festal meal in the hall. There is a sign-up sheet at the Candle Desk for those who plan to bring something (a covered dish, salad, dessert) to the repast. (*Remember that all food should be MEATLESS as it is Friday.*) Please make every effort to attend this joyous occasion as we remember the heavenly protectors of our community, SS. Peter & Paul.

The **Senior R Club** is sponsoring an **Atlantic City Bus Trip** on **Thursday, July 19** to the *Showboat Casino & Resort*. The bus will leave from the church's main parking lot on Whitehead Avenue at 9 a.m. sharp! Bring along a friend. The cost is \$30, with \$25 back in slot dollars. Make your reservations early by calling Janice Meade at (732) 257-8671. Don't miss out—join your fellow parishioners for a day of fun!

✧ News That Matters ✧

STEWARDSHIP: TIME & TREASURE Attendance at Liturgy last Sunday was **146**.

MINISTRY DUTIES The Epistle will be read next week by **Subdeacon Paul Machyowsky**. Coffee Hour will be hosted by **Parish Council**. The church will be cleaned by **Team Kelly**.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to **Emily Szeszakowski** and **Natasha Carvalho** who are celebrating this week. May their lives continue to be blessed for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

DEEP APPRECIATION is extended to the following individuals for their recent monetary contributions to the *Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund* in memory of our newly departed sister in Christ, **Mary Fritz: Allan & Karen Banko, Louis & Brenda Adams, Anonymous, Ronald & Mary Barglow, Edward & Elaine Boshko, Myra Brown, Ann Buckley, Asunta Dill, Vera Dorn, Nick Dulski, John & Mary Durovich, Joseph & Janet Gubista, Bruce & Joyce Hillyer, James & Debra Ann Jones, Dorothy Kseniak, Anne & Joyce Major, Gregory & Christine Marple, Harry & Janice Meade, Marie Mendoker, Dorothy Messeka, Ronald & Paula Mindzak, Allen & Marie Mioduszewski, Wayne & Joyce Nice, John & Marley O'Neill, Peter & Elaine O'Neill, Jay Pelleriti, Robert & Joan Pisuk, Leo & Nell Radionoff, Louis & Nadja Silva, Helen Siry, John & Myrna Woznica, Lydia Zakrewsky, Paul & Leslie Zelanko and Judith Znaiden**. We also acknowledge a generous offering made in Mary's name by **Sonja Harris** to the *Handicap Access Fund*. We gratefully thank everyone for his/her support.

2012 PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES As mandated at this year's *Annual Parish Meeting*, a roster of Parish Council Committees is now posted on the bulletin boards in both the church vestibule and hall. The individuals listed are available to address any concerns, issues or suggestions you may have regarding parish properties, facilities and ministries—SEEK THEM OUT!

THANKS to **Helen Cameron** and **Walter "Blackie" Sudnikovich** for the floral arrangement that adorned the festal icon of Pentecost on the center tetrapod last Sunday; it was donated in loving memory of their dear uncle, **Walter Swenticky**. This offering was appreciated. May God reward Helen and Blackie abundantly.

OUR 4TH ANNUAL TASTE OF THE PARISH last Sunday was a delicious success and we'd like to thank **EVERYONE** who made it so: **Allison Steffaro** for organizing and hosting the event; **all the parishioners** who shared a dish from their native country or the home of their ancestors; and the **Church School children**, led by our Choirmaster, **Basil Kozak**, for providing entertainment. All the food was excellent, as evidenced by the fact that many people went back for seconds. May this parish tradition continue for many years to come. Celebrating our cultural and ethnic diversity is important, for not only does it show the value we place on the dignity and uniqueness of all our parishioners, it continues to unite us in the same faith, Christian ideals and basic Orthodox worship. Truly, we are one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church—thanks be to God!

BRING A FRIEND along with you to church. Encourage your relatives to attend services faithfully. It is our Christian duty to help others find Jesus. The Apostle Andrew brought his brother Peter to God...let's follow his example!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following parishioners, family members and friends:

<u>Departed</u>	<u>Sick</u>		<u>Servicemen</u>
Mary Fritz	Elaine Ashton	Darren Flynn	Ivan Shidlovsky
Irene Marques	Irene Boule	Beth Williscroft	Lisa Beard
Michael Miller Sr.	Edward Romanofsky	Malcolm Bradford	Gregory Nosol
Metropolitan CONSTANTINE	Walentyna Posluszny	Barbara Longo	Patrick Lohr
Nancy Balon	Michael Dargento	Charlene Sofer	Keith Sudder
Alison Orfanidis	Julia Glazer	Brenda Foster	Priest Paul Rivers
Lucy Rose	Joseph Casale	Eva Fedash	Fred Bush
Stella Prihodko	Donna Casale	Olga Kozlov	Travis Hartman
	Lasha Giorgi Pozidis	Bishop NIKON (Liolin)	Elizabeth Brent
	Dorothy Swenticky	Archpriest	Kyle Abbott
	John Cameron	Alexander Atty	
	Katherine Tarzewski	Ivert (Fred) Kirkirt	Priest Sean Levine
	Martha Drobnak	Anna Janiszewski	Gary Amatrudo Jr.
	Dorothy Sopchak	Myrna Woznica	Steven Moore
		Joseph (Jay)	James G. Teller
		Pelleriti	
	Margo Stewart	Jean Catherine	
		Brooks	
	Adam Huba	Samuel Garretson	
	Thea Casale	Joseph Posluszny	
	David Hebert	Gilson Costa	
	Robert Smith	Pearl Blower	
	Thomas Roche	Presbytera Florence	
		Cassar	
	Theresa Rogozenski	Ellie Jacobs	
	Olga Romanofsky	Joan Uler	
	Alyssa Rosatelli	Julio Andres	
		Veramende	
	Larry Kimpart	Dee	
	Patricia Cottrell	Florence	
	Elaine Schwartz	Karen Zimmerman	
	Athene Demitry	Fred Haas	
	Timothy Magee	Beth Van Orden	
	John Centrello	Iwan Jakimtschuk	
	Nancy Filak	Andriy Kinash	
	Charles Csenica	Marita McDonald	
	Barbara Parhizgar	Michael Myslinski	
	Mikola Zakrewsky	Martin Behnke	
	Kim Walker	Olga Smith	
	Dennis Silowka	John Holod	
	Alexandre Kurtanidze	Archpriest Stephen	
		Mack	
	Dr. John B. Smith	Archpriest John	
		Bartholomew	
	Donna Kara	Dorothy Vernak	
	Nella Mirabile	Trey Gerstmyer	

Please contact Fr. David or Starosta if you know of someone who should be on this list.

BELATED CONGRATULATIONS to **His Grace, Bishop MICHAEL**, who celebrated his 2nd anniversary as our diocesan hierarch last month. It gives us great pleasure to recognize and commend Vladyka for his two years of tireless service and dedication to the flock entrusted to him by the Lord. By the grace of the Holy Spirit, may he continue to follow and imitate Jesus Christ, our True Shepherd, with deep trust, gratitude and joy for many years. Eis Polla Eti, Despota!

MANY THANKS to **Norman Edwards** for cutting the grass at the rectory and 7 Acres. For someone who is not a parishioner, he truly is an example of faith in action. We are grateful for his kind and generous help—God bless!

GRASS CUTTING That season is upon us again, when we need volunteers to cut the grass at the church, rectory and Seven Acres. The equipment, training (if necessary) and gas will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the church vestibule; you can also get in touch with James Jones at (732) 238-0735. He'll make sure to put everybody on every skill level to work, so let's all pitch in and keep our properties beautiful!

BULLETIN DEADLINE All announcements for the Sunday bulletin must be submitted each week by no later than **Thursday**. Get in touch with Fr. David at the rectory or contact our Bulletin Editor/Starosta, James Kornafel, by phone (732-462-3388), fax (732-845-3515) or E-mail (jimmyk@optonline.net).



The Apostles Fast begins tomorrow and ends on June 29, the Feast SS. Peter & Paul. The ancient Apostolic Constitution, dating back to the 4th century, gives us insight into this solemn period of prayer and abstinence: “After the Feast of Pentecost, celebrate one week, then observe a fast, for justice demands rejoicing after the reception of the gifts of God and fasting after the body has been refreshed.”

Many people choose to ignore this season of preparation. It is wrong to do so, for as with all the fasts of the Church, this time has been given to us to re-examine our lives, focusing less on the “pleasures of the flesh” and more on the beauty and joy of spiritual things, like prayer and repentance.

The Apostles almost always fasted. Since we have them as exemplars and teachers of the Faith, shouldn't we do the same? Take advantage, therefore, of these days ahead by becoming more open to the Lord's will and action in your life. Only then will the upcoming feast of our parish patrons be truly meaningful and joyous.

✱ Run/Walk for the Church XVII ✱

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

Get ready...get set...go...for the 17th Annual Run/Walk for the Church to be held on Saturday, June 23. With beautiful weather and everyone enjoying a wonderful time, last year's experience was more fun than I could have planned and this year promises to be the same. I welcome your participation in an event that not only raises funds, but provides the opportunity to socialize with Orthodox brothers and sisters outside of worship services.

Around 9 a.m., faithful from parishes throughout the deanery will gather in front of our hall on Jeffrie Avenue and begin the eight-mile run/five-mile walk throughout the neighborhoods of South River. Water stands and “route marshals” will be located at various legs of the trek to offer both direction and assistance. As in prior years, all the runners and walkers will wear a special T-shirt commemorating the day and after the last person crosses the finish line in front of the church on Whitehead Avenue, everyone will be invited to a celebratory “after party” back in the hall.

There are many ways you can take part in this fundraiser. You can join in as a runner or walker; pledge a certain amount for each mile; give a set donation; offer a contribution towards the purchase of bottled water and provisions for the post run/walk get-together; or just be there to encourage and cheer on the participants. Whatever you can do or give will be most appreciated. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me by phone (732-690-7461) or E-mail (hankdziemian@comcast.net).

Thank you for those who have helped with this effort in the past and thanks in advance to those of you who are planning to be a part of this very fun and family-friendly day this year. Lace up those sneakers and I look forward to seeing you on the 23rd!

Sincerely,

Hank Dziemian

Please complete the form below and return it to Hank Dziemian.

_____for the entire run.

_____per mile for a total of _____.

_____ (Your name)