



## SS. Peter & Paul Russian Orthodox Church

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June 17, 2012

### SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 1—SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA

Martyrs Manuel, Sabel and Ismael of Persia

Epistles: Romans 2:10-16  
Hebrews 11:33-12:2 (Saints)

Gospels: Matthew 4:18-23  
Matthew 4:25-5:12 (Saints)

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

TODAY	10:30 a.m.	Church School Closing & Graduate Recognition Exercises
Tues, June 19	7:00 a.m.	Daily Matins
Sat, June 23	5:00 p.m.	Confessions
	6:30 p.m.	Panihida for <b>Steven &amp; Leslie Senko</b> (Annual) and <b>Joanne Sivess</b> (Annual) offered by the <b>family</b>
	7:00 p.m.	Great Vespers with Litiya
Sun, June 24	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 2</b>	
9:00 a.m.	<b>THE NATIVITY OF THE HOLY GLORIOUS PROPHET, FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN</b>	
Divine Liturgy	Epistles: Rom 5:1-10	Gospels: Matt 6:22-33
	Rom 13:11-14:4 (Forerunner)	Luke 1:1-25, 57-68, 76, 80 (Forerunner)
11:00 a.m.	Faith Feedback Session with Fr. David	

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

The **Church School Closing/Graduate Recognition Exercises** will be held **TODAY** following the Divine Liturgy.

**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.

Weather permitting, the **17<sup>th</sup> Annual Run/Walk for the Church** will be held **this Saturday, June 23**; starting around 9 a.m. Besides your monetary pledge, please show your appreciation of all the runners/walkers' efforts by being at the church around **11 a.m.** to cheer them home. (See the letter in this week's bulletin for all the details.)

Have questions about the Orthodox Faith? Wish Father David would talk about this or that in a sermon? Here's your chance! **Next Sunday, June 24**, Father will hold a **Faith Feedback Session** during the 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**. 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!

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## \* News That Matters \*

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**STEWARDSHIP: TIME & TREASURE** Attendance at Liturgy last Sunday was **141**.

**MINISTRY DUTIES** Coffee Hour will be hosted by **Parish Council**. The church will be cleaned by **Team Kelly**. (**NOTE:** *The **Altar Society** and **Team Dziemian** will be responsible for Coffee Hour and cleaning the church, respectively, during the month of July.*)

**THE ANNUAL PARISH MEMBERSHIP ASSESSMENT** is **\$200** per individual. **All registered parishioners** are morally obligated to support the church and its institutions by payment of all past and present assessments, as well as participation in the envelope system. You are strongly encouraged to be generous, as it is only through your loyal giving by which we can continue the work and divine mission of this God-protected parish.

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

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

John Centrello Nancy Filak	John Holod Archpriest Stephen Mack
Charles Csenica	Archpriest John Bartholomew
Barbara Parhizgar Mikola Zakrewsky Kim Walker	Dorothy Vernak Dr. John B. Smith Donna Kara
Dennis Silowka Alexandre Kurtanidze Darren Flynn	Nella Mirabile Trey Gerstmyer Margaret Butch
Beth Williscroft Malcolm Bradford Barbara Longo	Henry Dziemian Charlene Sofer Brenda Foster

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

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to **Elaine Boshko** and **Andrew Chup** who are celebrating this week. Belated wishes are also extended to **Elizabeth Illenye** whose birthday was last week. May their lives continue to be blessed for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

**WARM THE CHILDREN (WTC) UPDATE** This charity project continues to make great strides in helping abandoned and sick children in Russia, Belarus and Romania. Eleven large boxes of warm clothing and knitted/crocheted items were recently shipped to Orthodox sponsored orphanages, homes and missions. Back-to-school packages will be sent in the late summer/early fall. If you would like to participate in this worthwhile cause and put your knitting and/or crocheting talents to good use, contact WTC Coordinator Barbara Nafranowicz by phone (908-232-2632), E-mail ([bnafanowicz@verizon.net](mailto:bnafanowicz@verizon.net)) or mail (167 North Cottage Place, Westfield, NJ 07090). Don't forget to talk to your family, friends and neighbors about this project; perhaps they may want to help or may have yarn just laying around that needs a "home." Monetary contributions to help defray shipping expenses are also welcomed. Let's share our good fortune with others, for "*charity gives itself rich; covetousness hoards itself poor.*"

**SORRY ABOUT THAT** In last Sunday's bulletin, a donation to the *Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund* in memory of Mary Fritz was acknowledged as being given by John & Mary Durovich. This was incorrect; the contribution was made by **John and Harry Durovich**. We deeply regret this error and offer our sincerest apologies.

**SUMMERTIME REMINDER** Please remember that the parish continues to operate during the summer; don't take a "vacation" from church!

**IOCC DELIVERS MEDICAL AID TO GREECE** As Greece faces its most severe economic crisis in decades, struggling families are seeking medical assistance more than ever, with the greatest demand coming from many elderly retirees whose pensions have been dramatically reduced by the government's austerity measures. **International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)** is responding to this need with financial support and supplies (walkers, crutches, bandages, syringes) destined for free clinics in some of the poorest neighborhoods in greater Athens. This organization is also providing food aid packages for impoverished individuals and funding for hiring unemployed workers to bundle parcels for distribution through local church parishes. Despite all these efforts, requests for help are increasing, as the wants of our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ continue to grow. How can you help? By making a monetary gift to the **Greece Response Fund** set up by IOCC. Visit [www.iocc.org](http://www.iocc.org) on the Web, call toll free at 1-877-803-4622 or mail a check/money order payable to *IOCC, P.O. Box 17398, Baltimore, MD 21297*. Whatever amount you send **will** make a difference, so please respond favorably.

**THANK YOU** to **Curt & Christine Canfield** for their donation to the *Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund* in memory of our newly departed sister in Christ, **Mary Fritz**. Their generous spirit truly reflects God's love.

**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, James Kornafel, by phone (732-462-3388), fax (732-845-3515) or E-mail ([jimmyk@optonline.net](mailto:jimmyk@optonline.net)).



*The Apostles' Fast, the solemn period of prayer and abstinence in preparation for the great feast of SS. Peter & Paul, our Patrons, on June 29, began last Monday. Have you been using this time wisely to rediscover the proper ways of thinking and acting towards God and your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ or have you been disregarding the Fast, saying to yourself that because it is only two-and-a-half weeks long, it is not as important as Great Lent or Advent?*

*Regardless of length, all fasts of the Church have been given to us to help us take a look at where we are and where we ought to be. Don't be one who feels that this wonderful season of prayer and repentance is not worthy of your time and effort. Take advantage of the days that remain to reexamine all your values and discern how they stack up against the values of those*

believers who followed Jesus and His teachings, especially the Apostles. If you do, your celebration of the upcoming feast will truly be more joyous because you will have gained a better understanding of what it means to be His disciple.



***“They disciplined us as seemed right to them, to prepare us for the short span of mortal life...”***

HEBREWS 12:10

Today is **Father’s Day**, a celebration that began over 100 years ago as an expression of gratitude and appreciation to the special man in our life who gives us, regardless of our age, unconditional love, care and strength.

As important as a mother’s role is in the lives of her children, a father’s role is just as vital in helping to raise great sons and daughters. He plays a very special part in every Christian home. As the “head of the household,” he is viewed as the symbol of authority. In a sense, he represents God—a strong, kind and loving figure who watches over his children, keeping them together and happy as he guides them on the right path of life.

Let us, then, honor our fathers: those that are with us—Many Years—as well as those who have fallen asleep in Christ—Memory Eternal! Let us remember their love that knows no sacrifice too great and the special privilege given to them by God—to bring their children up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

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***\* Run/Walk for the Church XVII \****

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Dear Fellow Parishioners:

Get ready...get set...go...for the **17<sup>th</sup> 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 a terrific 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 appreciated. If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact me by phone (732-690-7461) or E-mail ([hankdziemian@comcast.net](mailto: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

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

\_\_\_\_\_ for the entire run.

\_\_\_\_\_ per mile for a total of \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Your name)

***Glory to Jesus Christ!***

***Glory Forever!***