

## ***Saint Mark Orthodox Church***

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**ALL SAINTS** **JUNE 3, 2018**

<b>EPISTLE</b> Heb. 11:33 – 12:2	<b>GOSPEL</b> Matt. 10:32 – 33; 37 – 38; 19:27 – 30	Tone 8
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### DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. All Saints. Martyr Lucillian and those who suffered with him at Byzantium: four youths – Claudius, Hypatius, Paul and Dionysius; and the Virgin Paula (270 – 275). Translation of the Relics of slain Crown Prince Dimitry of Moscow (1606). Hieromartyr Lucian – Bishop, Maximian – Presbyter, Julian – Deacon, Marcellinus and Saturninus, at Beauvais in France (81 – 96 A.D.). Kevin of Glendalough, Wonderworker (Ireland – 618).

Sunday	June	3	9:15a	Reading of the Third Hour
			9:30a	Divine Liturgy – All Saints
			11:15	Church School Picnic
Monday	June	4		Apostles Fast Begins
Tuesday	June	5	10:30a	Bl. Mka. Olga Prayer Group – Int. Prayer
Saturday	June	9	5:00p	Private Confession
			5:30p	Great Vespers
			6:30p	Bible Study
			6:30p	Parish Council Meeting
Sunday	June	10	9:15a	Reading of the Third Hour
			9:30a	Divine Liturgy – All Saints of America
			11:15a	Coffee Hour Fellowship
			11:30a	Church School Meeting – “Let’s Get Started”
Saturday	June	16	5:00p	Private Confession
			5:30p	Great Vespers
			6:30p	Bible Study
			6:30p	FOCA Chapter Meeting

The **Sanctuary Candles** are offered by **Joan Mitchum** in celebration of **Greg & Danielle Mitchum’s** wedding anniversary. May God Grant Them Many Years!

<b>Coffee Hour Fellowship</b>			
Date	Hosts/Hostesses		Donuts/Bagels
June 3	<b>CHURCH</b>	<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>PICNIC</b>
June 10	N. Stanton	Mka. G & Dcn. D Phelps	Vance

<b>Choir Directors, Readers, Preparers, Greeters, &amp; Altar Servers</b>					
Date	Director	Reader	Preparer	Greeter	Altar Servers
June 3	S&D Hardy	D. Rodak	C. German	P. Masick	A. Ahmadi A. Datch C. Datch E. Pederson N. Pederson J. Sedor M. Sedor
June 10	C. Berencz	D. Rodak	V. Bumbak	G. Freimann & K. Phinney	

<b>Classes</b>	
<b>Bible Study</b>	
Saturday, June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Following Vespers
Saturday, June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Following Vespers

**TO OUR VISITORS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN:** If you are seeking a quiet place to nurse or calm a rambunctious child, there are two rooms off of the main hallway on this floor to serve you. Our library is the second door on the left as well as our teen classroom, the last door on the left, at the end of the hallway. The library has rocking chairs, and both rooms offer comfortable couches and moderate privacy. Changing tables are located in the Ladies room on the upper level and in the Men’s room on the lower level.

**PRAYER REQUEST – O Christ, You alone are our Defender: Visit and help Thy servants who are in need of your help, protection and healing. Among them: Christina Berencz, Migs & Helen Damiani; Shirley & Paul Dean; Margaret & Bill Dove; Mary Ann Fitzgerald; Julia Flick; Marge German; Jurretta Heckscher; Philip Hydock; Evelyn Leleck; Larisa Looby; Marina McKee; Catherine Mikuluk; David Rodak; Alexandra Sedor; Peter Sielinski; Beth Tucker.**

Please pray for **Margaret**, Mary Carol Ashley's mother; Ellen Barber's friends **Bruce** and **Pamela**; Tina Burpee's brother-in-law **James**; Christine Cacic's friend, **Carmen**; Barbara Freimann's niece **Samantha, Tristan, Betty, and the Hanway Family**. Julia Flick's son, **James** Shimer, and her stepdaughter, **Jeanie** Folton; Karina Fortuny's god-daughter infant **Maria**, Maria's parents **Tzvetelina** and **Lyubomir**, and brother **Ioan**; Marge German's grandson **Joshua** and friend **Louise**, who is recovering from triple bypass surgery; **Jeff** Jordan, friend of the Hardy family; Jurretta Heckscher's father, **Stevens**; Margie Johnson's granddaughter **Nadia**. **Will & Janie** McNamara, friends of Christina Kalavritinos; **Carole** Roberts, mother of Tammy Karas; **Olga**, friend of Helen Kerch; Mat. Jan and Fr. Mark Koczak's friend, **Metropolitan Isaiah** (Georgian Patriarchate); **Mary** Everhart, mother of Ted Koopersmith; Michael Kopcha's mother-in-law **Barbara Durynski**; Larisa Looby's daughter **Lisa** and granddaughters **Chelsea** and **Alexandra**. Marilyn Macht's cousins **Helen** and **Linda**. Anelia Rotunda's father, **Ivan**; Friend of Debbie Sieff, **Fr. Taras** Chubenko, of St. Demetrius Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral in Carteret, NJ, who is recovering from esophageal surgery; Sharon Sielinski's friend **Marilyn**. Olga & Slavina Skenderska's cousins, **Desi & Stanislav**, and friends **Catherine & Justin; Fr. Basil Summer**; Ellen Thompson's daughter, **Sonya**; **Don Truitt's parents**; friends of St. Mark, **Tanya & James** Twyman; Friend of St. Mark **Linda** Weir; **Christen** and infant **Alexander**. Paula Zabela's brothers-in-law **Leonard & Thomas** Broskey. Rose Zabela's father **Ed Dumm**. **Syd**.

**Deliver them from sickness and grievous pains. Raise them up that they may sing to Thee and praise Thee without ceasing, through the prayers of the Theotokos and all your Saints!**



**CONGRATULATION GRADUATES** We will honor our graduates TODAY immediately following Liturgy.

**CHURCH SCHOOL PICNIC** will take place TODAY following Liturgy!

**RUMMAGE SALE UPDATE:** Thank you to everyone that helped to make this year's rummage sale a success. Thanks to the donors, advertisers, sign purchaser, sign set up, sorters, pricers, cashiers, baggers, greeters, room monitors, security, and every one who helped behind the scenes. We will not know the amount of our profits until all expenses are paid. The profits from this sale will go to OCMC to support a long term missionary, Dr. Bill Black. Bill is serving in Western Kenya. Thanks for your hard work and prayers to support OCMC and Dr. Black.

**ST. MARK FOCA CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:** Our FOCA chapter is accepting applications from college and post-graduate students of St. Mark for scholarships. Applications can be obtained by e-mailing Paul Dean at: [PVDean@fcps.edu](mailto:PVDean@fcps.edu). **The deadline for submission is TODAY.**

**A BOOK DISCUSSION** will take place on Madeline Albright's new book *Fascism: A Warning* on Sunday, TODAY following Liturgy. The group will meet in the library. Questions? See Jerry Marti or Kim Lungociu.

**"WE SEE; WE DESIRE; WE TAKE..."** guess what comes next and join as we resume our tour through the book of Joshua and consider a major spiritual step up towards enjoying our new life in Christ. Bible study meets on Saturday evenings, following Vespers in the Teen room.

**CONGRATULATIONS!** The Holy Synod of Bishops of the at their most recent meeting agreed to award the blessing of the rank of Mitred Archpriest to Fr. Basil Summer. He will receive the award on Sunday, June 17th. (Father's Day) at St. Sergius Chapel in Syossett NY. May God bless him and grant him many years!

**CALLING ALL PARENTS AND TEACHERS:** I am honored to serve as the church school director for the 2018-2019 school year. We will be having a "Let's Get Started" meeting on **Sunday, June 10th** immediately after church to discuss some changes with St. Mark Church School for the 2018-2019 school year. Please grab something to eat and come up to the Teen Classroom (end of the hallway top floor, next to Fr. Gregory's office). **My intent is to keep the meeting to 45 minutes or less.** We will be focusing on one or two changes for the year, along with some other admin. changes. **Our goal** is to have a team in place to run the various aspects of this program. I have a small list of people currently that are willing to serve, and I am hoping to gather a list of any others beforehand or at this meeting, that are interested in serving, and that are gifted in certain areas. If you are interested in serving on the church school team, please take time to think about what your spiritual gifts or talents are before the meeting, so that we can best place you. If you are interested in expressing your thoughts on changes to the Church School Program, please send me 1-2 desired changes *before the meeting to my e-mail at [pedersenclan4@gmail.com](mailto:pedersenclan4@gmail.com).* *You're also encouraged to just come and listen in on the meeting if you'd like.* - Stacy Pedersen

**VCS 2018** We are looking for volunteers for this year's Vacation Church School to be held at St Mark on July 23-26 from 11 am – 2 pm. Please contact Rachael Datch at [rachaeldatch@gmail.com](mailto:rachaeldatch@gmail.com) or Mary Niemi at [mhniemi@hotmail.com](mailto:mhniemi@hotmail.com) if you are interested in helping. Our theme this year is "Let Your Light Shine So." Teachers will be provided the curriculum so there will be little advanced preparation required.

Parents of children Ages 4-11, please complete the registration form at the back of the church and give to Mary or Rachael to save your child's spot! Children will enjoy classes, prayers, singing, lunch, games, music, and crafts. Children younger than 4 are welcome to come with a caregiver and middle school students can volunteer to earn service learning hours. Registration Deadline July 1. We hope to see you there!

**ST. MARK WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB:** If you enjoy a good read followed by a worthy discussion, please consider attending the St. Mark Woman's Book Club. We choose books well in advance and then meet on the last Sunday of every month to discuss the merits of our choices. June 24th—*A Gentleman in Moscow: A Novel* by Amor Towels; July 29th—*I Was Anastasia: A Novel* by Ariel Lawhon. Book suggestions are always welcome. See Mat. Sasha for more details.

***Happy Birthday To You!***  
***May God Grant You Many Years!***

- 3 Christine Cacic  
James J. Rosolanka
- 5 Michael Cacic  
Rachael Datch  
Jennifer Malatesta
- 6 Donna Lulchuk  
Robert Rudin
- 7 James W. (Skip) Mersereau
- 9 Simon Markovich

**FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY FOR DOUG PIERCE:** As many of you may not know this year I was chosen to be a Maryland Arts Council grantee and fellow. I will need your help to make my project a reality. In 2006, Laura and I were Chrismated into the Eastern Orthodox Christian faith. During this time I came up with a three movement suite entitled "Suite for the Panaghia: Songs for the Theotokos." The piece will involve quite a few different moving parts and because of the need for rehearsals and planning with a high caliber group of musicians and technicians I need your help to pull this off. Here is the link to my GoFundMe Page. Please check out the video and we thank you for anything you are able to donate to help make this project happen. In Christ, Doug Pierce. The link is [www.gofundme.com/douglaspiercesuite](http://www.gofundme.com/douglaspiercesuite)

**LIFE LINE SCREENING** will take place here at St. Mark on July 18th, 2018 at 9:00 am. Please stay tuned for registration details!

**SAVING LIVES ~ SUPPORTING FAMILIES** Want to be involved in pro-life work? Consider volunteering at the Shady Grove Pregnancy Center as a volunteer counselor.

We will train you! Training consist of 8 classes held Mon./Thurs. from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. Dates: July 19, 23, 26, 30th, Aug. 2, 6, 9, 13th. For details, call Jackie Stippich, Exec. Director at 301-963-6223. I'd love to hear from you.

**EMBRACED BY FAITH:** Fr. Vladimir Berzonsky has recently published a book of reflections on faith. Fr. Vladimir is the former pastor of Holy Trinity Orthodox Church in Parma, OH. He wrote numerous articles for The Orthodox Church newspaper and some of you may remember the monthly insert of short prayers accompanying the daily scripture readings. These short prayers were also the work of Fr. Vladimir. His eldest son was choir director at St. Mark some years ago. I have some copies of the book *Embraced by Faith*, available for \$30 each. Here is a short explanation of the book: In *Embraced by Faith*, author and pastor Vladimir Berzonsky shares his inspired reflections on faith from the Bible and beyond, revealing how God gives us love to guide us to the truth and a relationship with him all through faith. *Embraced by Faith* explores both Old and New Testament scriptures, showing how we can have communion with God and be led to overcome every obstacle on the path to the kingdom of heaven. If you are interested, see me. In Christ, Mka. Sasha.

**SYNERGY WITH GOD** discussion will take place at Orthodox Church of St. Matthew, 7271 Eden Brook Drive, Columbia, MD 21046. Attend one or both. Everyone is invited, teens included! Vespers 5pm. Sat., 9 Jun., 2:30-4:45pm: Orthodox Life - Seeing with Spiritual Eyes; Baptism, Repentance, Confession & Forgiveness; Praying for our "Enemies"; Christ, Apostles, Saints and Orthodox Theologians on Salvation. How can we discern God's will? What, specifically, are we to do? What is the Orthodox Life?

**TO ALL MY DEAR FRIENDS AT ST. MARK**

I cannot thank you enough for your invaluable help; your phone calls, visits, cards and gifts; and most of all, your prayers as I continue to recover from my injury.

I want to thank the members of FOCA for your outreach program to your fellow parishioners with your cards and uplifting messages.

Thanks, also to Father Greg for your prayers and words of encouragement. We at St. Mark are blessed to have you as our spiritual Father.

In Christ,  
Helen Damiani

**CALLING RISING SENIORS!** Would you like to represent the Archdiocese of Washington at the IOCC Serve X-treme Youth Leadership Conference? The conference is to be held in Minneapolis from July 28th - August 3rd 2018 and all expenses will be paid. Young people entering their senior year of high school in the fall of 2018 are to be considered. If you are interested, please see Fr. Gregory!

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** will take place Saturday, June 9th, following Vespers. Observers are welcome!

**APOSTLES FAST** begins tomorrow, June 4th and ends June 29th with the celebration of Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am for Ss. Peter and Paul.

**HI FROM MR. PETE!** I went down to visit Dad on Wednesday, May 30th. He asked that I put a note in the bulletin telling everyone "Hi" from him and that he loves and misses you all very much. He is doing well in Roanoke. He also wanted to say "Hi" to all his kids at St. Mark.—Sharon Sielinski

**NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY** It's that time again! We are setup to take portraits on Sunday's after liturgy in my office. Please take a few moments to sign in and smile for the camera. Victor Lutes, Jim Lacko or Steve Sekellick will be taking the photos. It's our goal to include everyone. Thanks for your cooperation! - Fr. Gregory

**BLESSED MATUSHKA OLGA PRAYER GROUP** will meet Tuesday, June 5th at 10:30 am for Intercessory Prayer.

**EVANGELIZER DEADLINE:** It's that time again! Our summer edition of the Evangelizer will be out Sunday, July 1st. Deadline for submissions is Wednesday, June 20th. Be sure to send your articles, recipes, photos, etc. to Sharon Sielinski no later than the 20th! Thank you!

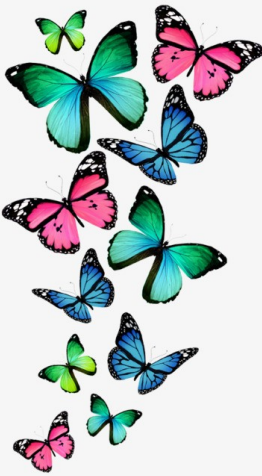
**BAZAAR PLANNING MEETING** Sunday, July 15 at 11:30 in the teen room. Food and department chairpersons are asked to attend, but the meeting is open to everyone.

**PIROGHI LUNCHEON** a piroghi luncheon will be held after liturgy on Sunday, July 22. This luncheon is scheduled to use up the remaining St. Mark piroghi. The proceeds will go towards the purchase of this year's bazaar ingredients. Help will be needed in the kitchen to serve the food. Please let Tina Burpee know if you can help.

**SPRING FROZEN FOOD SALE** Spanakopita (4) - \$20.00/pan; St. Mark Piroghi—\$5.00; See Tina Burpee if you are interested.

*HAPPY JUNE BIRTHDAYS!  
MAY GOD GRANT YOU MANY YEARS!*

- 1 Alexandra Zabela
- 3 Christine Cacic  
James J. Rosolanka
- 5 Michael Cacic  
Rachael Datch  
Jennifer Malatesta
- 6 Donna Lulchuk  
Robert Rudin  
James W. (Skip)
- 7 Mersereau
- 9 Simon Markovich
- 10 Nicholas Niemi
- 11 Mat. Gemma Phelps
- 12 Hannah Antich  
Nicholas Corbin  
Eliot Landsburg
- 13 David Burke Jackson  
Ann Marie Steger  
Vadim Uritsky
- 14 Joshua Lindsay  
Maximus Timothy Masick
- 15 Tina Burpee  
Mary Ann Holovac  
John Humphries  
Alexandra Kissell



- 16 Fr. David Cowan  
Wright Steinberg  
Kara Yakubik
- 18 Kathryn Balamaci
- 19 David Jefferson  
Rachel LeFors
- 20 Karen Jankovic
- 21 Kimberly Yakubik
- 22 Salomea Jankovic  
Peter Sielinski
- 23 Timothy Dillon  
Michael Hydock  
Ravyn Malatesta  
Timothy Perry
- 24 Benjamin Oleynik  
Joshua Tucker  
Alexsandra (Sunny)
- 25 Holovac  
Harell Little  
Tara Shimer
- 26 Nicola Ilario  
Brian Schwartz
- 27 Dawn Little
- 30 Ella Rose Datch  
Jenna Datch

