

Saint Mark Orthodox Church

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ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA JUNE 10, 2018

EPISTLE Rom. 2:10 – 16 Heb. 11:33 – 12:2	GOSPEL Matt. 4:18 – 23 Matt. 4:25 – 5:12	Tone 1
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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

2nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. All Saints of America. Hieromartyr Timothy, Bishop of Prussa (4th c.) Ven. Silvanus, Schema-monk, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves – 13th – 14th c.). Finding of the Relics of St. Vasily (Basil), Bishop of the Riazan' (1609). St. John Maximovitch, Metropolitan of Tobol'sk (1715). Martyr Alexander (369). St. Bassian, Bishop of Lodi in Lombardy (409).

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
Sunday	June	17		FATHERS DAY
			9:15a	Reading of the Third Hour
			9:30a	Divine Liturgy – All Saints of Britain & Ireland
			11:15a	Coffee Hour Fellowship
Tuesday	June	19	10:30a	Bl. Mka. Olga Prayer Group - Akathist
Saturday	June	23	5:00p	Private Confession
			5:30p	Great Vespers
			6:30p	Bible Study

The **Altar and Sanctuary Candles** are offered by **Drs. Anna and Mary Nemesh** in memory of parents **Charles and Annie Nemesh** and brother **Dr. Walter Nemesh**. May Their Memory Be Eternal!

Coffee Hour Fellowship

Date	Hosts/Hostesses	Donuts/Bagels
June 10	Markovich	Barnewolt & Anderson
June 17	Mary & Millie Mytryshyn	Rudin

Choir Directors, Readers, Preparers, Greeters, & Altar Servers

Date	Director	Reader	Preparer	Greeter	Altar Servers
June 10	C. Berencz	D. Rodak	V. Bumbak	G. Freimann & K. Phinney	A. Ahmadi A. Datch C. Datch E. Pederson
June 17	W. Tatusko	S. Sielinski	V. Lutes	M. Hydock & C. Williamson	N. Pederson J. Sedor M. Sedor

Classes

Bible Study

Saturday, June 16 th	Following Vespers
Saturday, June 23 rd	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!

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.

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.

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.

STOCK AWARD TICKETS for the National Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America (FOCA) will go on sale today. 6 tickets for \$5 or \$1 each. There are 7 monetary prizes to be drawn at the National Convention in St. Louis in July. See George Freimann to for your winning ticket!

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

"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 **TODAY** 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.* *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 or Mary Niemi at 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 GROUP: If you enjoy a good read followed by a worthy discussion, please consider attending the St. Mark Women's Book Group. We choose books well in advance and then meet in the library on the last Sunday of every month to discuss the merits of our choices. On June 24th we will meet to discuss choices for the remainder of 2018. On July 29th—*A Gentleman in Moscow: A Novel by Amor Towels* (moved from June because people were having difficulty getting the book); August 26th—*I Was Anastasia: A Novel by Ariel Lawhon*. Book suggestions are always welcome. See Mka. Sasha or any participant 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

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

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.

LIFE LINE SCREENING: Time is running out for July 18th, 2018. Sign up today!

Did you know?

- Most people can't identify a single risk factor or a warning sign of stroke, yet over 750,000 Americans will be affected by a stroke this year alone!
- Stroke is the 4th leading cause of death and the #1 reason for nursing home admission.

You can take advantage of these health screenings today by signing up for the complete stroke screening package (which includes 4 screenings for vascular disease and an osteoporosis screening) for \$139 when Life Line Screening comes to our location..

With the number of people already signed up, appointment spaces are very limited so please don't miss your chance to confirm your appointment today before the event is full! Pre-registration is required. Sign up now by calling toll free to 1-888-653-6441 or text the word circle to 797979 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle

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!

TOWARDS AN ORTHODOX AMERICA - Frederica Mathewes-Green

Father George Johnson and the clergy and parishioners of Holy Apostles would like to invite you and your parish to a special address by noted author and speaker, Frederica Mathewes-Green, which kicks off our fundraising drive for our new parish hall at our historic chapel & campus. The first step is securing the services of the pre-eminent Orthodox architect in America, Andrew Gould. We hope to raise \$50,000 for architectural fees, as the beginning of our capital campaign. Visit our website to learn more, and join us on Sunday evening, June 10, at 6 o'clock, for an inspiring talk by Frederica on realizing the vision for an Orthodox America. All are welcome. Bring a friend!

Please share this message with your friends, churches, and anyone who you think would be interested. Help us to build our church!

More information:

Who: Frederica Mathewes-Green

What: Towards an Orthodox America

When: Sunday, June 10, 6:00 PM

Where: Holy Apostles Orthodox Church

Currently located in Twin Chimneys Office Park

10760 Baltimore Avenue, Beltsville, Maryland 20705

Contact info: 301-572-5738; apostlebird@aol.com

BLESSED MATUSHKA OLGA PRAYER GROUP will meet Tuesday, June 19th at 10:30 am for the Akathist.

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!

WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP will meet on Sunday, June 24th, following Liturgy in the library.

SS. PETER AND PAUL we will celebrate Divine Liturgy for Ss. Peter and Paul on Friday, June 29th at 10:00 am.

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