

Saint Mark Orthodox Church

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EPISTLE

Acts 20:16 – 18, 26 - 36

GOSPEL

John 17:1 – 13

Tone 6

DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

7th Sunday of Pascha. Holy Fathers of the First Œcumenical Council. Afterfeast of the Ascension. St. Cyril, Archbishop of Alexandria (444). Five Nuns beheaded in Persia: Martyrs, Thecla, Marimne, Martha, Mary, and Enmatha (346). St. Columba, Enlightener of Scotland (597). Ven. Kirill, Abbot of Belozérsk (1427). Ven. Alexander, Abbot of Kushta (Vologdá – 1439). Georgian Martyrs in Persia (1616.)

Sunday	June	9	9:15a	Reading of the Third Hour
			9:30a	Divine Liturgy
			11:15a	Church School Picnic
Tuesday	June	11	8:00p	Parish Council Meeting
Saturday	June	15	5:00p	Private Confession
			5:30p	Vigil for Pentecost
			6:30p	Bible Study
			6:30p	FOCA Chapter Meeting
Sunday	June	16	9:15a	Reading of the Third Hour
			9:30a	Divine Liturgy & Kneeling Prayers for Pentecost
			11:15a	Coffee Hour Fellowship
Tuesday	June	18	10:30a	Bl. Mka. Olga Prayer Group – Akathist
Saturday	June	22	5:00p	Private Confession
			5:30p	Great Vespers

Coffee Hour Fellowship

Date	Hosts/Hostesses		Donuts/Bagels
June 9	Church	School	Picnic!
June 16	Zellem	Markovich	Thompson

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

Date	Director	Reader	Preparer	Greeter	Altar Servers
June 9	C. Berencz	M. Baxtresser	D. Golembiewski	M. Hydock & C. Williamson	A. Ahmadi A. Datch C. Datch E. Pedersen
June 16	W. Tatusko	JM Mikulik	N. Bilyeu	G. Freimann & K. Phinney	N. Pedersen J. Sedor M. Sedor

Classes

Bible Study

Saturday, June 15th

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 Dove; Julia Flick; Marge German; Jurretta Heckscher; Marcella Hydock, Philip Hydock; Patricia Ilnat; Alice Krenitsky; Catherine Mikuluk; David Rodak; Alexandra Sedor; Mka. Alexandra Safchuk; Peter Sielinski.

Please pray for **Margaret**, Mary Carol Ashley's mother; Ellen Barber's friends **Bruce and Pamela**; The child **Penelope** ; Christine Cacic's friend, **Carmen**; Barbara Freimann's niece **Samantha**. Marge German's grandson **Joshua** and friend **Louise**, who is recovering from triple by-pass surgery, and sister **Mary** Rodzon; **Denise (Dionysia)**, Godsisiter of Christina Kalavritinos; Tammy Karas' mother **Carole** Roberts, and friend **Charlene; Olga**, friend of Helen Kerch; **Mary** Everhart, mother of Ted Koopersmith; Kim Lungociu's cousin **Doug**; Marilyn Macht's friend **Theodora** who was was just diagnosed with lung cancer; cousins **Helen, Linda** and sister-in-law **Bonnie. Marina McKee. Bridget**, friend of Skip & Barbara Mersereau's. Anelia Rotunda's father, **Ivan**; Sharon Sielinski's friend **Valerie and her unborn child**, and **Lucille. Fr. Basil Summer**. Don Truitt's parents; Friend of St. Mark **Linda Weir**; Paula Zabela's cousins **Frank McIntyre**, who has esophageal cancer, **Helen** and **Janet**. Rose Zabela's father **Ed Dumm**.

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!

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

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. **DEADLINE EXTENDED: Sunday, June 16th.**

PRAYERS FOR FR. BASIL: Fr. Basil recently underwent surgery for repairs to a leaking aneurysm. The surgeon was able to perform the necessary repairs successfully and Fr. Basil was discharged to a rehab facility. He is at White Oaks Rehabilitation & Nursing Center 8565 Jericho Tpke. in Woodbury, NY. Please keep him in your prayers!

FOCA DISTRICT STOCK AWARDS: Congratulations to our winners: \$200 David and Ellen Zaika (St. Nicholas); \$100 David Sichik Trenton, NJ; \$50 Larisa Looby. St. Mark! Thank you all for your support!

2019 BAZAAR PLANNING MEETING: A planning meeting for this year's bazaar will be held at 11:30 after liturgy on Sunday, June 23 in room 3A in the lower hall. All food prep and department chairpersons are asked to attend. The meeting is open to anyone and all comments and observations are welcome. If you haven't already done so, please mark your calendars for this year's - Nov. 1, 2, 3.

LUNCH BUNCH: The next ladies luncheon will meet at noon on Monday June 17 @ Il Pizzico located at 15209 Frederick Rd, Rockville, MD 20850. Please notify Paulina Masick by 6/10/ 19 (pimscup49@gmail.com) if you will attend. Carpooling is highly recommended due to the small parking lot.

VACATION CHUCH SCHOOL is planned for the week of July 22nd - July 25th, Mon-Thurs, 11am - 2:00pm. This years theme is "Meet the North American Saints: Come on the Adventure!" If you are interested in signing up your kids, please let Mary Niemi know. Also, if you are interested in helping out, we could certainly use any extra help! Thank you!

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

9	Simon Markovich	14	Joshua Lindsay
10	Nicholas Niemi		Maximus Timothy Masick
11	Mat. Gemma Phelps		Daniel Schuresko
12	Hannah Antich	15	Tina Burpee
	Nicholas Corbin		Mary Ann Holovac
	Eliot Landsburg		John Humphries
13	David Burke Jackson		Alexandra Kissell
	Ann Marie Steger		
	Vadim Uritsky		

GRADUATES 2019 Are you or someone in your family graduating from high school or college this May and June? If so, please let Fr. Gregory or Sharon Carter know. We will be honoring our graduates following Divine Liturgy sometime in the coming two months. Please stay tuned for a date!

ST. ANDREW GOLF TOURNAMENT: Registration is now open for the 16th Annual Saint Andrew Orthodox Church Golf Tournament! The registration form (https://standrew-baltimore.org/files/Tournament_Sponsor_Letter_and_Form_2019.pdf), as well as options for tournament sponsorship, are located on our church website. Cost per golfer is \$110, please submit your registration and payment by June 14th, 2019.

ST. MARK WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP: The women's book club meets on the last Sunday of the month, following Liturgy, in the Library for discussion. Upcoming books: June 30th - *Notes From a Small Island* by Bill Bryson. July 28th - *Leaving Time* by Jodi Picoult. August 25th - *Code Talker* by Chester Nez and Judith Schless Avila. September 29th - *Code Name: Lise* by Larry Loftis. Any questions, please see Joan Mitchum, Mka. Sasha or any of the participants.

Since we understand Communion to mean that we have all things in common, sharing an identical Faith, only those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and recent confession may participate in Holy Communion. Following reception of Holy Communion, we should stay in the church until the conclusion of the Liturgy. Our fellowship begins after we venerate the Cross and receive the Blessed Bread (of which all may partake). If you have questions concerning the above, please feel free to speak with Fr. Gregory after Liturgy.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS Two baskets of children's books are now located in the vestibule, behind where the greeters stand and next to the stairway to the choir loft. Children should feel free to borrow the books and can return them to the baskets.

IT'S JUST BREAKFAST: A group of our St. Mark men meet for breakfast every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. Second Saturday: IHOP 9490 Blake Ln, Fairfax, VA 22031 at 8am. Fourth Saturday: IHOP 18147 Village Center Dr, Olney, MD 20832 at 8am. Questions? See David Jefferson. Thank you!

ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGES TO ALASKA: In the year 2020, The Orthodox Church in America will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the granting of her autocephaly as well as the glorification of St. Herman of Alaska. There will be many events scheduled through out the year, and in each of the diocese, to commemorate the anniversary. One of the events the Archdiocese of Washington, DC, has scheduled is a pilgrimage to Alaska on July 8th - 14th, 2020. The cost is \$2,295 per person and includes: 7 days/6 nights accomodation, round trip accomodations to Kodiak from Anchorage, excursion to Spruce Island, touring and sight-seeing as listed in itnerary and daily breakfast. Things NOT included: tips, optional tours, alcoholic beverages, personal expense, and air fair to/from Alaska. The \$2,295 is the EARLY BIRD price per person. That will be available until **June 15th, 2019**. Sign-up information is available here: <https://www.culturallycreativetravel.com/pilgrimage-to-alaska-2020/>. A few copies of the pilgrimage packet will be availble on the candle counter. The packet includes His Beatitude's letter regarding the events, information sheet for the pilgrimage itself, trip summary, itinerary and schedule of events and travel insurance material.