

Saint Mark Orthodox Church

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OCTOBER 20th, 2019

EPISTLE 2 Cor. 9:6 –11	GOSPEL Luke 16:19 – 31	Tone 1
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DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

18th SUNDAY AFTER PENTACOST. (5th of Luke) Greatmartyr Artemius at Antioch (362) Ven. Matriona of Chios (14th c.). Righteous Youth Artemii of Verkol'sk (1545). Ven. Gerasimos the New Acetic, of Cephalonia (1579).

Sunday	Oct	20	9:15a	Reading of the Third Hour
			9:30a	Divine Liturgy
			11:15a	Coffee Hour Fellowship
			11:30a	Church School
Wednesday	Oct	23	9:00a	Poppyseed Roll Baking Workshop
			7:45p	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday	Oct	26	9:00a	Spanakopita Workshop
			5:00p	Private Confession
			5:30p	Great Vespers
			6:30p	Bible Study
Sunday	Oct	27	9:15a	Reading of the Third Hour
			9:30a	Divine Liturgy
			11:15a	Coffee Hour Fellowship
			11:30a	Church School
			11:30a	Choir Rehearsal
			11:30a	Women's Book Club Meeting

The **Altar Candles** are offered by **The Rodak Family** in thanksgiving to God on **David & Susan's** anniversary! May God Grand Them Many Years!

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

Coffee Hour Fellowship

Date	Hosts/Hostesses		Donuts/Bagels
Oct 20	Potluck	Potluck	***
Oct 27	Smerkanich	Markovich	Korokhov

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

Date	Director	Reader	Preparer	Greeter	Altar Servers
Oct 20	S&D Hardy	M. Mihailov	R. Reeves	N. Kumar & M. Hydock	A. Ahmadi A. Datch C. Datch E. Pedersen
Oct 27	W. Tatusko	J. Rosolanka	V. Lutes	P. Masick & D. Jefferson	N. Pedersen J. Sedor M. Sedor

Classes

Bible Study

Saturday, Oct 26 th	Following Vespers
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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, Helen Damiani; Shirley & Paul Dean; Margaret Dove; Julia Flick; George Freimann; Marge German; Jurettta Heckscher; Cindy Helba; Patricia Ihnat; Alice Krenitsky; Catherine Mikuluk; David Rodak; Alexandra Sedor; Mka. Alexandra Safchuk; Peter Sielinski; Cliff Tarpy; Marsha Zellem.

Please pray for **Margaret**, Mary Carol Ashley's mother; Ellen Barber's friends **Bruce and Pamela**; The child **Penelope**; **Fr. Dennis Buck**; Christine Cacic's friend, **Carmen**; Barbara Freimann's niece **Samantha**; **Misha** Freimann, who is being treated for cancer. 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; Sandra Little, Dawn Little's mother-in-law. Kim Lungociu's cousin **Doug**; Marilyn Macht's friend **Theodora** who was just diagnosed with lung cancer; cousins **Helen, Linda** and sister-in-law **Bonnie. Marina McKee. Stephen,** Susan Rodak's father. Anelia Rotunda's father, **Ivan**; Sharon Sielinski's Mother-in-Law **Patricia**, and **Lucille. Fr. Basil Summer.** Don Truitt's parents; Friend of St. Mark **Linda Weir**; Paula Zabela's cousins, **Helen**, who has thyroid cancer, and **Janet**, who has kidney cancer. **Father Patrick** of St Mary's Russian Orthodox Church, Southside (Pittsburgh.)

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!

CHOIR REHEARSAL will take place this Wednesday, October 23rd at 7:45 pm. Please note the new day.

AKATHIST BOOK: On the third Tuesday of each month the Matushka Olga prayer group prays an Akathist to address a special need. The collected Akathists are in black loose leaf notebooks in the library on the bottom shelf of the first bookcase on the left as you walk in. Please feel free to take a look at these Akathists and copy them for your personal use.

RETREAT AT ST. MARK The Archdiocese of Washington Mission Board is sponsoring a retreat to be hosted at St. Mark! Fr. Michael Oleksa will be the speaker and his talk is titled "Baptizing Cultures." The retreat will take place on Saturday, November 16th, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Lunch will be served, free will donations are appreciated. Please RSVP to Papadija Kitty Vitko: kittyv70@gmail.com

UPCOMING BAZAAR WORKSHOPS:

- Wednesday, October 23rd, at 9:00 AM there will be a Poppyseed Roll Workshop
- Saturday, October 26th, at 9:00 AM there will be a Spanakopita Workshop.

ALL AMERICAN COUNCIL 2021: Baltimore,MD, has been selected as the site for the 20th All American Council to take place July 23-30, 2021. Since the event is hosted in our own Archdiocese of Washington, D.C., we will be needing volunteers to help out with planning and execution of things leading up to the event. The first local committee meeting of our Archdiocese will be held on Saturday, 26 October 2019 at Saint Matthew Orthodox Church, Columbia, Maryland. The local committee meeting will begin at 11:00 AM and conclude at 2:00 PM. Lunch will be provided and an agenda will be forthcoming. Please see the letter and list of needs on the bulletin board in the parish hall. If you are interested in participating, please see Fr. Gregory.

RETREAT: An educational retreat with Archpriest Thomas Soroka entitled, "A Christian Ending", covering a spiritual and practical approach to death from an Orthodox Christian perspective, will be offered at Christ the Savior on Saturday, October 26. The retreat is offered at no cost, although donations are welcome. Everyone is welcome! Please RSVP by October 23 so we can prepare for the luncheon. Visit <https://orthodoxdelmarva.org/contact> and fill out the form to RSVP.

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

23	Lori Hottle	25	Jack Ryan Ruzila
	Aaron Steinberg	26	Andrew Yakubik
	Erika Steinberg		
24	William Hardy		
	Francisco Salas		

BAZAAR SIGN-UP SHEETS The sign-up sheets for working at the bazaar have been posted on the bulletin board next to the kitchen door. All slots need to be filled. Please plan on working as many shifts as possible to make our bazaar a success.

DONATE TO HELP WITH BAZAAR FOOD COSTS A list of approx. food costs has been posted on the bulletin board next to the kitchen door. Please consider donating to help keep food costs down. Donations can be given to Tina Burpee or Gene Jacobsen.

BAZAAR FLYERS are available on the table next to the kitchen door. Please feel free to take a few to post in your community or send to friends. A digital copy is also available on the website!

LUCKY DRAW: Sorry for being so late to the Bazaar Party bandwagon. That being said it's time to talk about the Lucky Draw. I have to say that the most popular thing is handcrafted items like pillows, blankets, shawls, and scarves. So please if you have anything that is handcrafted that you or someone you know would be willing to donate please let me know. A close second is typically gift cards to various restaurants and stores. If you wish to donate something but are unsure as to what I will either accept cash or at least give suggestions. If I am not there in church personally to accept any donations please give it to anyone with the last name of Jacobsen or Prose (Gene, Tammy, Stacy, Patty, Aaron, and Bella). Thank you so much for all your support over the last few years and I hope to make this years Lucky Draw even better than the last. See you there!

With Luck, Vicky Jacobsen - Lucky Draw Chair - Jacobsen.vicky@gmail.com

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!

ST. MARK WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP: The women's book club meets on the fourth Sunday of the month, following Liturgy, in the Library for discussion. Upcoming books: October 27th - The Radium Girls by Kate Moore; November 24th - Beneath a Scarlet Sky by Mark Sullivan; December 15th - Story from Chicken Soup for the Soul (see Joan Mitchum) Any questions, please see Joan Mitchum, Mka. Sasha or any of the participants.

BAKING FOR THE BAZAAR - Since it was decided not to have vendors at the bazaar this year, we are opening up the double room to expand the bakery. We will need more baked goods than ever! As in past years, copies of some suggested recipes can be found on the table near the sign-up sheets. These are only suggestions - specialty baked goods of any nationality are welcome. These are the same recipes that have been made available other years, so if you have taken copies in the past, please leave these for others.

AVAILABLE SHIFTS FOR THE BAZAAR Please consider signing up for one of the available shifts for the bazaar. See available slots below:

Kitchen Food Servers

Friday	10:00-3:00	1 slots
	3:00-8:00	4 slots
Saturday	10:00-2:30	3 slots
	2:30-7:00	1 slot
Sunday	all slots open	

Dessert Table

Friday	11:00-3:30	2 slots
	3:30-8:00	2 slots
Saturday	10:00-3:00	3 slots
	3:00-7:00	1 slot
Sunday	all slots open	

Kitchen Serving Window

Friday	11:30-4:00	2 slots
	4:00-8:00	3 slots
Saturday	10:30-3:00	2 slots
	3:00-7:00	4 slots
Sunday	11:00-4:00	4 slots

Cleaning Tables

Saturday	3:00-7:00	1 slot
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Parking Assistance

Friday	3:30-8:00	1 slot
Saturday	11:00-3:00	1 slot
	3:00-7:00	1 slot

Kitchen Cashier

Friday	11:30-3:30	1 slot
Saturday	10:30-3:00	1 slot
Sunday	1:30-4:00	1 slot

Kitchen Carry-out

Friday	3:00-8:00	3 slots
Saturday	11:00-3:00	1 slots

Outdoor Grill

Friday	10:00-3:30	1 slots
	3:30-8:00	3 slots
Saturday	9:00-2:00	1 slots
Sunday	all slots open	

BAZAAR BAKERY UPDATE – Many thanks to these parishioners who have helped at the workshops for the bake sale so far: Tina Burpee, Pat and John Ihnat, Cindy Jefferson, Father Gregory and Mat. Sasha, Anna and Mary Nemesh, Nancy Stanton and Paulina Masiak. We have made raspberry and apricot tortes, nut rolls, rye bread, black bread and a few poppy seed rolls. We have four more workshops on the calendar and hope people will come and help:

- October 23 – Poppy Seed Roll Baking

Please also pencil in **Thursday, October 31** on your calendar! We will be there all day, so come whenever you can! We will need to frost, cut and package all the tortes and thaw and bag or package all the various rolls and other goodies that are in the freezer!

Thanks to all who are baking at home! Let us know if you need suggestions on what to bake, packaging, cake rounds, pie boxes or if you have questions. Let's make this the best bake sale ever! Thank you! **Ginny Albert & Paula Zabela**

