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JUNE 21st, 2020

EPISTLE	GOSPEL
Rom. 2:10 – 16	Matt. 4:18 – 23
Heb. 11:33 – 12:2	Matt. 4:25 – 5:12

Tone 1

DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

2nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. All Saints of America; All Saints of Russia. Martyr Julian of Tarsus in Cilicia (3rd – 4th c.) Hieromartyr Terence (Tertius), Bishop of Iconium (1st c.). St. Julius, Presbyter of Novara, and his brother, St. Julian the Deacon (5th c.). Martyrs Archil II (744) and Luarsab II (1622), Kings of Georgia.

Saturday	June	20	9:30p	Divine Liturgy	
			5:30p	Vespers – YouTube Live Stream	
			7:30p	Bible Study via Zoom	
Sunday	June	21	9:30a	Divine Liturgy – All Saints of America – YouTube Live Stream	
			11:00a	Virtual Coffee Hour immediately following via Zoom!	
Tuesday	June	23	10:30a	Bl. Mka. Olga Prayer Group – Int. Prayer – via Zoom	

The Sanctuary Candles are offered by Marilyn Macht in memory of Elizabeth Petrishin. May her Memory be Eternal! Also, in celebration of Dawn & Harell Little's birthday! May God Grant Them Many Years!

The Sanctuary Candles are also offered by Drs. Mary and 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

Choir Directors, Readers, Preparers, Greeters, & Altar Servers					
Date	Director	Reader	Preparer	Greeter	Altar Servers
June 21			Dn. D. Phelps		A. Ahmadi A. Datch C. Datch
June 28			C. German		E. Pedersen N. Pedersen J. Sedor M. Sedor

Classes				
Bible Study				

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: Michael Ahmadi; Christina Berencz, Tom Cipu; Helen Damiani; Shirley & Paul Dean; Margaret Dove; Julia Flick; George Freimann; Marge German; Jurretta Heckscher; Cindy Helba; Patricia Ihnat; Alice Krenitsky; Alex Landsburg; Kara and Nicole Antonia Masick; Catherine Mikuluk; Susie Needham; David Rodak; Alexandra Sedor; Mka. Alexandra Safchuk; Peter Sielinski; Ann Marie Steger; Cliff Tarpy; Renee Zabela.

Please pray for the child **Penelope**; **Fr. Dennis Buck**; Christine Cacic's friend, **Carmen**; Marge German's grandson **Joshua** and friend **Louise**, who is recovering from triple by-pass surgery, and sister **Mary** Rodzon; **Denise** (**Dionysia**), Godsister of Christina Kalavritinos; Tammy Karas' mother **Carole** Roberts, and friend **Charlene**; **Fr. Costas**, of St. Katherine (Falls Church;) **Olga**, friend of Helen Kerch; **Mary** Everhart, mother of Ted Koopersmith; Sandra Little, Dawn Little's mother-in-law. Marilyn Macht's friend **Theodora** who was diagnosed with lung cancer; cousins **Helen**, **Linda** and sister-in-law **Bonnie**. **Marina** McKee; **Mka. Kelly** Oleynik; Anelia Rotunda's father, **Ivan**; Sharon Sielinski's Mother-in-Law **Patricia**, and dear friend **David**. **Catherine** Steger Miller, Daughter of Ann Marie Steger. **Fr. Basil Summer**. Don Truitt's parents; Friend of St. Mark **Linda Weir**; Paula Zabela's Uncle **Nick**, cousins **Janet** and **Helen**, all battling cancer. Rose Zabela's brother, **Vincent** 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!



CLEANING SUPPLIES if you are in need of cleaning supplies or paper goods and are having trouble finding some in the stores, please let us know. Pick up by appointment, please email or call Fr. Gregory.

GRADUATES Please let us know if you or someone you know is graduating this year! Though circumstances are certainly different this year, we would still like to honor our graduates as is our tradition! Please email Sharon Carter admin@stmarkoca.org with name, degree and institution. Thank you!

FOCA will once again award scholarship funds to St.Mark students planning to pursue higher education. For applications please contact Paul Dean at: deanpy@msn.com

EVANGELIZER SUBMISSION DEADLINE is Wednesday, June 24th. If you have anything you'd like to submit, photos, articles, etc. please send to Sharon Carter: admin@stmarkoca. org

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

21 22	Kimberly Yakubik Salomea Jankovic Peter Sielinski	25	Alexsandra (Sunny) Holovac Harell Little Tara Shimer
23	Timothy Dillon Michael Hydock Ravyn Malatesta Timothy Perry	26 27	Nicola Ilario Dawn Little
24	Benjamin Oleynik Joshua Tucker		

HOUSE BLESSINGS: On hold until further notice. Fr. Gregory will be contacting parishioners to schedule house blessings, but if parishioners have a preference for a specific date and time, they may contact Fr. Gregory at any time. Thank you!

FOR SALE (ALL ITEMS ARE FROZEN): Plumpy's Pierogies (3 doz bag) \$8.00;

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. 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.

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.

ON COMMUNION: The fasting rules concerning communion apply to those who are healthy enough to keep them. If for example, you require medication that cannot be taken on an empty stomach, please speak to me about the possible need to eat or drink something along with it in the morning prior to 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.

ST. MARK WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP: On hold until further notice. The women's book club meets on the fourth Sunday of the month, following Liturgy, in the Library for discussion. Upcoming books: June 28th - I Live Again: A Memoir of Ileana, Princess of Romania and Archduchess of Austria by Ileana, Archduchess of Austria Any questions, please see Joan Mitchum, Mka. Sasha or any of the participants.

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.

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!