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					SEPTEMBER 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	
<b>EPISTLE</b> 2 Cor. 4:6 – 15 Gal. 5:22 – 6:2				GOSPEL         Tone 6           Luke 5:1 – 11         Tone 6           Luke 6:17 – 23         Tone 6		
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Sunday	Sept	25	9:15a 9:30a	Divine Lituray – Blessing of Church School Te		
			11:30a	Coffee Hour Fellowship – Piroghi Workshop Part 2		
			11:30a	Church School – First Day!		
	Sept	28	9:00a	Poppyseed Roll Workshop	Poppyseed Roll Workshop	
Wednesday				Spanakopita Prep Workshop		
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			11:30a	Church School	
Tuesday	Oct	4	10:30a	Bl. Mka. Olga Prayer Group – Intercessory Prayer	
Thursday	Oct	6	9:00a	oricot Roll Workshop	
			7:15p	Women's Book Group Meeting – via Zoom	
Saturday	Oct	8	8:30a	Chicken Kiev Workshop	
			4:00p	Wedding of Laurie Booth and Mark Schmitt	
			5:30p	Vespers – YouTube Live Stream	
			6:30p	2023 Budget Meeting	

Coffee Hour Fellowship							
Date	Hosts/H	ostesses	Donuts/Bagels				
Sept 25	Burpee						
Oct 2	Baxtresser						

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

Date	Director	Reader	Preparer	Greeter	Altar Servers	
Sept 25	W. Tatusko	M. Mihailov	D. Golembiewski		H. Meyers J. Niemi N. Niemi E.J. Pedersen M. Sedor	
Oct 2		M. Karas				

**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.

<u>PRAYER REQUEST</u> - O Christ, You alone are our Defender: Visit and help Thy servants who are in need of your help, protection and healing. Among them: Vera Bumbak; Helen Damiani; Shirley & Paul Dean; Margaret Dove; Julia Flick; George Freimann; Marge German; Jurretta Heckscher; John & Patricia Ihnat; Linda Jackson; Cindy & David Jefferson; Alex Landsburg; Marilyn Macht; Joan Mitchum; John Michael Mikuluk; Mary Mytryshyn; Millie Mytryshyn; Mark Needham; Matthew Nimmer; David Rodak; Alexandra Sedor; Mka. Alexandra Safchuk; Peter Sielinski; Ann Steger; Cliff Tarpy.

Please pray for the child **Penelope; Linda**, sister-in-law of Tina Burpee. Christine Cacic's friend, **Carmen**; Sharon Carter's mother **Marjorie**, brother **Stephen** and step-son **Nicholas**. **Hannah**, friend of Theodora Dean. Marge German's grandson **Joshua** and friend **Louise**, who is recovering from triple by-pass surgery, and sister **Mary** Rodzon, neice **Debbie** Kuhl. **Denise** (Dionysia), Godsister of Christina Kalavritinos, and also family friends **Constantine** and **Thomas**; Tammy Karas' mother **Carole** Roberts, and friends **Charlene** and **Jean**. **Olga**, friend of Helen Kerch; **Mary** Everhart, mother of Ted Koopersmith; **Frank** Krapcho; **Sandra** Little, Dawn Little's mother-in-law. Kim Lungociu's cousin **Doug**. Marilyn Macht's friend **Carmen**; friend **Ken** Reichard; cousins **Helen** and **Jenny**, neighbors and friends of Susie Needham. **Allan**, father of Matthew Nimmer. **Maria**, mother of Daniela Mihailov. **Mka. Kelly** Oleynik; **Amanda** St.Cyr, sister-in-law of Susan Rodak; Anelia Rotunda's father, **Ivan**. Susan Sielinski's father-in-law **Butch**; Don Truitt's mother, **Janet**; Paula Zabela's cousin **Helen**. **Fr. Patrick** of St. Mary's in 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!

**WELCOME VISITORS!** We invite you downstairs following Liturgy for coffee and light refreshments in the parish hall.

**CHURCH SCHOOL BEGINS TODAY!** We will bless our church school teachers and students immediatly following Liturgy!

**SECOND PIROGHI WORKSHOP** will take place today following Liturgy! No experience necessary. We hope you will join us!

**THANK YOU** to the 50th Anniversary Committee and all who helped make last weekend so wonderful! Thank you to all who helped and coordinated the luncheon, served, sang, live streamed, took photos and videos, set up and cleaned up coffee hour! Thank you ALL!

And a very special thank you to Tom Jenkins, and his team, who made sure our pews, carpet, and bells projects were all completed in time for our celebration. Thank you for all your hard work, Tom!

**POPPYSEED ROLL WORKSHOP** will take place on Wednesday, September 28th at 9:00 am.

**SPANAKOPITA WORKSHOP** The first Spanakopita (Prep) workshop will take place on Friday, September 30th at 10:00 am. The second Spanakopita (Assembly) workshop will take place on Saturday, October 1st, following Liturgy.

**DIVINE LITURGY** We will celebrate Divine Liturgy for the Protection of the Theotokos on Saturday, October 1st at 9:30 am.

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY** Some have already spoken to Mark Phinney about interest in learning how to ring our new bells, but if there are others interested, please let me know. We will try to arrange for lessons once we determine how many and who want to do it. It is a wonderful opportunity to offer time and talent in a unique way in service to the Church!

**SHADY GROVE PREGNANCY CENTER BANQUET** Save the Date! The Shady Grove Pregnancy Center Banquet will take place on Tuesday, October 11th, 2022 at 6:00 pm. The key note speaker will be David Bereit.

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

25 Ashley Hottle Katie Sheppard
26 John Michael Niemi Mary Niemi
28 Kathy Rudin

John Sokich

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30 Fr. Nicholas Dellermann Peter O'Halloran Douglas Pierce Martha Vance

**MEDITERRANEAN FESTIVAL** Ss. Peter & Paul Antiochian Orthodox Church will hold their 37th Annual Mediterranean Festival Friday, September 23rd, 12pm - 9pm; Saturday, September 24th, 11am - 10pm; and Sunday, September 25th, 12pm - 6pm. Free parking and admission. Featuring authentic Middle Eastern food, pastries, groceries, jewelry, Middle East giftware, religious itemss, fun for kids, Arabic music, prizes and entertainment! www. peterpaulpotomac.org/festival for more information or see the flier on the bulletin board in the parish hall

**MULTI-CULTURAL FESTIVAL** The Orthodox Church of St. Matthew will hold their Multi-Cultural Festival on Friday, September 30 through Sunday, October 2, 2022. Festivities will begin on Friday evening with an Oktoberfest, featuring German music and food. On Saturday and Sunday, our Multi-Cultural Festival will have delicious ethnic food from around the world, entertainment featuring the music and dancers of many countries, church tours, unique vendors and a kid's zone. There will also be an Icon raffle again this year! For more information, visit: www.stmatthewfestival.org

**BUDGET MEETING** There will be a budget meeting for 2023 on Saturday, October 8th, following Vespers in the library. All parish memberrs are welcome to attend. Please submit input or requests for 2023 budget to Sharon Carter, in person or via email: sscarter2018@ gmail.com, by Wednesday, October 5th. Thank you!

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. Thanks! Fr. Gregory

**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. Questions? See Mark Phinney. Thank you!

**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.

**ST. MARK WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP** We have been meeting on Zoom the first Thursday of the month at 7:15pm. Reading or finishing the chosen book is not a requirement. October 6th at 7:15pm we will discuss Ordinary Grace: A Novel by William Kent Krueger: https://smile.amazon.com/Ordinary-Grace-Thorndike-Press-Mystery/dp/1410458229/

**PHOTO REQUEST** The 50th Anniversary committee is looking for recent photos from St. Mark. If you have <u>digital</u> photos from St. Mark events from the last 15 years, please let Sarah Borger, Sharon Carter or Jerry Marti know. We would love to have copies for use during the 50th Anniversary activities this September!