

The Martyr

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Up-coming Services and Events

Today: Third Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

11: 7:00 a.m. Matins

12: 7:00 a.m. Matins

14: 7:00 a.m. Matins

15: 7:00 a.m. Matins

7:00 p.m. Inexhaustible Cup

16: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

17: Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

18: 7:00 a.m. Matins

19: 7:00 a.m. Matins

21: 7:00 a.m. Matins

22: 7:00 a.m. Matins

23: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

24: Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

12:30 p.m. Moras Baptism

Prayers for Blessings and Health

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria.*

Dimitri Ndini (USMC), *servicing in our armed forces.*

Those who are sick: Archbishop Nikon; Fr. Daniel Montgomery; Christy Adams; Michael, Mildred & Michael Arendacs; Paul Betts; Eileen Bochino; Serge Bouteneff; Debi Broadus; Matushka Mara Burns; Sharon Buzi; Jim Cerner; Joyce Chadwick; Florence Chala; Frank Chamberlain; Bobby Christo; Tara Coppola; Anthony Cordero; Peter Costa; Renate Deer; Armando Dias; James Dionis; Mary Galich; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Lynn Graceski; Nancy Hurd; Kiril Ivanov; Sug Jones; Donald & Shirley Jordan; Christy Lambert; June Lopen; Nicolas Lucas; Carole Lundquist; Steven Malandra; Albert Masek, Sr.; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie

McCarvill; Theodore Morrison; Andy Nunn; Deborah Owen; James Pando; Pat Perrotta; Violet Polena, Dena Soter Reardon; Linda Rich; Mason Ruzzkowski; David Schutte; Andrea Snedegar; Angie Soter; Charles & Joann Soter; Tessie Sotir; Thomas Spero; Richard Taylor, Jr.; Thomas Terzakis; Thalia Thomas; William Thomas; Paullette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Alice & William Vasil; Ann Vitale; Robert Volpe.

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

Thomas Dudo

July

10 Olga Glucksnis (1998)

11 Alexandra M. Vani (1989)

13 Christine Toraya (1994)

14 Theodora Bedgio (1962)

16 Victoria Ganci (1969)

Theodore M. Boria (2002)

Coffee Hour

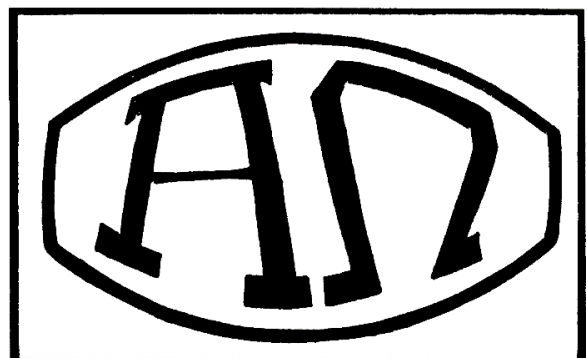
Today: Shorena Montalvo

17: Shirley & Don Jordan's Table

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If you would like to sponsor Coffee Hour, please sign up on the poster in the Church Hall.



Scholarships available

Applications for the 2016 **Thomas and Katherine LaBache Scholarships** are now being accepted. Parish members' children who will be attending college, business school or trade school in the Fall are eligible.

Applications are available at the Candle Desk.

Lakror for sale

Lakrors—Leek, Spinach and Sauerkraut—are now available for purchase. The cost is \$50.00 each.

See *Laura Denisevich* or *Laura Chadwick* to purchase or place your order.

Akathist and 12-Step Meeting

The next **12-Step Discussion Group** will be held this Friday, July 15th. We will celebrate the **Akathist to the Icon of the Virgin, "The Inexhaustible Cup"** at 7:00 p.m., followed by our group meeting.

The focus of the meeting will be the *Sixth and Seventh Steps*.

Jesus Prayer Meditation Group

On Tuesday, July 26th, there will be a **Jesus Prayer Meditation Group** at the home of Gregory Buzi II, 60 Brookdale Rd. in Seymour. The evening will begin at 7:00 p.m. with Evening Prayers followed by recitation of the Jesus Prayer and a period of silence. A meal will be provided after the meditation.

Speak to Gregory for more information and to let him know you will be attending.

New England Youth Rally

The Diocese of New England will hold its annual **Youth Rally** from August 8th through the 13th. It is open to young people from the New England and Albanian Dioceses who, at the time of Rally, have completed the 5th grade and have not yet celebrated their 18th birthday.

The deadline for applications is tomorrow, July 11th, so if you or someone you know is interested in attending, please speak to Father Dennis today.

News from the Teuta Ladies' Society

The **Teuta Ladies' Society** annual **Bazaar** will be held on Saturday, October 22nd.

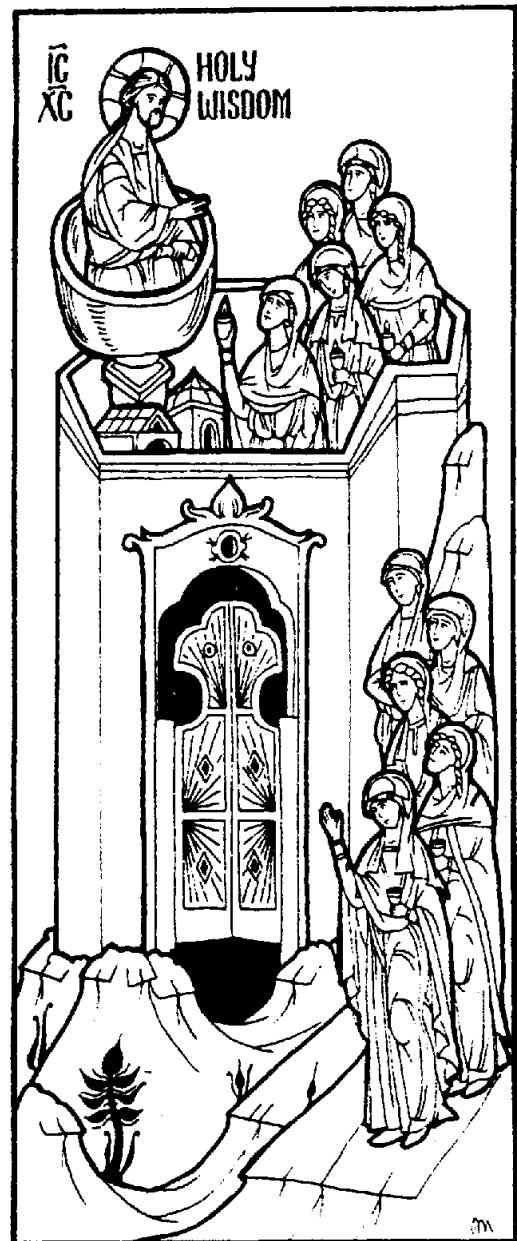
In preparation, they are accepting monetary donations to help offset the costs of the *Bazaar*.

Please see *Louise Gallagher* or *Susan Galich* if you can help.

Charity Collection

This month, our Charity Collection will help support the **Fr. Juvenaly (Repass)** who will be doing long-term missionary work in Guatemala with the Orthodox Christian Mission Center. He visited our parish at the beginning of June and spoke of his work.

Please be generous!



Romans 5:1-10

Brethren, now that we have been justified by faith, let us have peace with God through our LORD Jesus Christ, through whom we have access by faith to that grace in which we stand and exult in the hope of God's glory. And not only this, but we exult also in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces endurance, and endurance challenge, and challenge hope, and hope does not deceive, for God's love is poured forth in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For why did Christ die at the appointed time for the wicked while we were still weak? Hardly would someone die for a just man; perhaps someone would have the courage to die for a virtuous man. But God proves His love for us, since Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Much more now that we are made just in His blood, shall we be saved by Him from wrath. For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled with God through His death, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by His life.

Matthew 6:22-34

The Lord said, "The lamp of the body is the eye. If your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. Therefore if the light that is in

you is darkness, how great is the darkness itself! No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will stand by the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore, I say to you, do not be anxious for your life, what you shall eat and drink; nor yet for your body, what you shall wear. Is not life a greater thing than food, and the body than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow, or reap, or gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you of much more value than they? But which of you by being anxious about it can add to his stature a single cubit? And as for clothing, why are you anxious? See how the lilies of the field grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I say to you that not even Solomon in all his glory was adorned like one of these. But if God so clothes the wild flower of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more you, O you of little faith! Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or, 'What shall we drink?' or, 'What are we to wear?' (for all these things the Gentiles seek); for your heavenly Father knows you need all these things. But seek first the Kingdom of God and His justice, and all the rest shall be given you besides."

Romakëve 5:1-10

Vëllezër, si dolëm, të drejtë prej besimi, kemi paqe me Perëndinë me anë të ZOTIT tonë Jisu Krisht, prej të cilit kemi edhe hyrjen me anë të besimit në këtë hir, në të cilin qëndrojmë; dhe mburremi në shpresën e lavdisë së Perëndisë. Edhe jo vetëm kjo, po edhe mburremi për shtrëngimet, duke ditur se shtrëngimi sjell durim, edhe durimi provë, dhe prova shpresë. Edhe shpresa nuk turpëron, sepse dashuria e Perëndisë është derdhur në zemrat tona me anë të Shpirtit të Shenjtë që na është dhënë. Sepse kur ishim ne ende të sëmurë, Krishti vdiq në kohën e caktuar për të pabesët. Sepse vështirë se do dikush të vdesë qoftë edhe për njeri të drejtë; sepse për të mirin mbase edhe guxon ndonjë të vdesë. Po Perëndia tregon dashurinë e tij për ne, sepse ndërsa ne ishim ende mëkatarë, Krishti vdiq për ne. Shumë më tepër pra, si dolëm të drejtë tani me anë të gjakut të tij, do të shpëtojmë nga zemërimi me anë të tij. Sepse, në qoftë se kur ishim armiq u pajtuam me Perëndinë me anë të vdekjes së Birit të tij, shumë më tepër pasi u pajtuam do të shpëtojmë me anë të jetës së tij.

Matheut 6:22-34

ZOTI u tha, "Kandili i trupit është syri. Në qoftë pra se syri yt është i kthjellët, gjithë trupi yt do të jetë i ndritshëm. Po në qoftë se syri yt është i lig, gjithë trupi yt do të jetë i errët. Në qoftë pra se drita që

gjendet tek ti është errësirë, sa e madhe do të jetë errësira? Asnjë s'mund t'u shërbejë dy zotërinjve, sepse ose njërit do t'i ketë mëri, dhe tjetrin do ta dojë; ose njërit do t'i ngjitet prapa, dhe tjetrit do t'i kthejë krahët. Nuk mund t'i shërbeni Perëndisë dhe Mamonait. Prandaj po ju them juve: Mos u mendoni për jetën tuaj, ç'të hani a ç'të pini; as për trupin tuaj ç'të vishni. A nuk është jeta më e vlefshme se ushqimi, dhe trupi se të veshurit? Vështroni shpendët e qiellit, se nuk mbjellin, as nuk korrin, as nuk mbledhin në grunarë, dhe Ati juaj qiellori i ushqen; a nuk ndryshoni ju më tepër se ata? Po cili nga ju duke pasur kujdes mund të shtojë një kut në shtatin e tij? Edhe ç'mendoheni për veshjen? Vështroni lulet e arës, si rriten; as mundohen, as endin. Po ju them juve se as Solomoni me gjithë lavdinë e tij nuk qe veshur ashtu si një nga këto. Po në qoftë se barin e arës, që sot është e nesër hidhet në furrë, Perëndia e vesh kështu, a nuk do t'ju veshë ju shumë më tepër, o besëpakë? Mos u mendoni pra duke thënë: ç'të hamë a ç'të pimë a ç'të veshim? Sepse gjithë këto i kërkojnë kombet; sepse Ati juaj qiellori e di se keni nevojë për gjithë këto. Po kërkonte më përpara mbretërinë e Perëndisë, dhe drejtësinë e tij; dhe këto të gjitha do t'ju shtohen juve. Mos u mendoni, pra, për të nesërmen, sepse e nesërmja do të ketë mendim për punët e saj; mjaft është në çdo ditë e keqja e saj."