

The Martyr

Thomas Sunday

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Mother's Day Prayers

We are readying for our 20th annual Mother's Day Commemoration. You are invited to submit the name of your mother, grandmother, step-mother, aunt, sister, step sister, or niece – clearly indicating whether they are living or deceased. The names will be elevated in prayer at the liturgy of preparation, at the great entrance and at the end of services. Your donation(s) will be used for the beautification of our parish grounds. It would be "good" for the men to sponsor the coffee hour that day – what do you think, guys?

In Memoriam

40 days: *Charles Michael Csernica*

- 27 *Rinka Kozma (1950)*
28 *Richard Taylor, Sr. (2006)*
30 *Dhori Toroveci (1951)*
***Bishop Stephen (Lasko - 1975)**
Christopher F. Phostole (1979)
Joseph Kasparek (1992)
02 *Olga Lazar (1992)*

Prayers for Blessings

Christy Adams; Joyce Athanas; John Balga; Monica Demetri; Charles Dougiello, Sr.; Richard Hirst; Nicholas Hotova; Diane Hoffmeyer; the child Aisalyn Hurd; William Kohlbacker; Violeta Kosdandini; Meni Kyriacou; Katherine LaBache; Christy Lambert; Elizabeth Lambro; ; Dhimitra Leka; John Louis, Sr.; Louise Moran; Theodore Morrison; Meropi (Mary) Nichio; Minnie Phostole; Pandora Plasa; Eleanor Polena; Mark Sabatino; David Schutte; Gloria Simo; Tessie Sotir; Joanne Tallcouch; Peter Thanas; Mary, Peter Themel; Allana ,Christy, Stephen & Leonora Thomas; Vincent J. Torre; Mitchell Trotta; Aphrodita (Rita) Vangel.

As a community of Faith our prime responsibility is to support one another – in both faith and action. Prayer combines both. Please submit the name of the person for whom you wish to pray – and remember that when the prayers have been answered, to take that name off the list as well



Rescheduling house blessing

Please call to reschedule your postponed house blessing. The regular 2009 season will "end" May 28. **New** homes may be scheduled at any mutually convenient time.

FORCC Scholarship Guidelines

The Fellowship of Orthodox Churches of Connecticut (FORCC) with its true meaning of FELLOWSHIP has successfully united Orthodox churches in our state to work together as a team to promote the Orthodox Faith throughout Connecticut. One of the projects is a Scholarship Fund. Presentation of this Scholarship Award will be given out each year at the FORCC's annual dinner. Applications are available at:

<http://www.forcc.org/scholarship.html>

REQUIREMENTS NEEDED TO BE ACCEPTED: All ITEMS must be included when an application is submitted and must be received by the FORCC Chairman on or before June 1, 2009.

Teuta News/Information

Calling All Bakers!!!!!! The Teuta ladies will hold a bake sale in the church hall on Saturday, May 9th from 10 to 3 which will be open to the public. Please support us by donating a baked item or two. We would love to have ethnic pastry, but we will gladly accept cakes, pies, cookies, etc. If you are willing to bake, please contact **Georgika Boria, Elsie Gartsu, or Gloria Ruseski**. Baked goods can be dropped off the night before, or at 9 AM that day. If you can put in a couple of hours of work at the event, please see **Laura Chadwick**. Thank you in advance for your support. We need **everyone's** help to make this a success.

Starting June: Sunday Liturgy starts at 9:30am "Summer Schedule" (through and including "Labor Day")

Labor of LOVE

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Bishop's Visit Postponed

Due to a family commitment, His Grace, +NIKON, has requested to postpone his planned visit with us on May 17.

We will reschedule a mutually convenient date as his calendar becomes clearer.

Charity Tray for May

Metropolitan Jonah invites all OCA parishes to support **FOCUS North America**.

FOCUS North America is a network of Orthodox Christian social action ministries that express Christ's love in North America for those who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, naked, sick or in prison [Matt. 25:35ff].

"While many of us live in relative comfort, the reality is that many in our country and even in some of our parishes are facing desperation," Metropolitan Jonah writes in his letter. "I know that you are already supporting your parish and other worthy causes, but I hope that, out of the abundance that the Lord has given you and according to your means, you will also support this important initiative."

See full text:

<http://www.oca.org/PDF/NEWS/2009/2009-0414-focus.pdf>

Furniture/Household items Needed

This is a very exciting time for many VA Connecticut veterans who have been homeless. Soon they will be moving into their own apartments.

Furniture in good (lightly used) condition and household items are needed to make these apartments a home.

If you have items to donate please call **Jennifer DeGaetano** at the Errera Community Care Center at (203) 500-5613.

Coffee Hour: Building Community

Today Lakruar Luncheon

May 03 ????

May 10 ????

May 18 ????

Call Laura Chadwick 268-2865 to sponsor a coffee hour

Up-coming Events/Services

- Today 9:30 AM Church School
10 AM Liturgy – Thomas Sunday followed by the **Lakruar Luncheon**
- May 03 9:30 AM Church School
10 AM Liturgy – Myrrh-bearing Women
- May 09 10 AM **Bake Sale**
- May 10 9:30 AM Church School
10 AM Liturgy – Sunday of the Paralytic
- May 17 9:30 AM Church School
10 AM Liturgy – Sunday of the Samaritan Woman **followed by Church School graduation**
- May 24 10 AM Liturgy – Sunday of the Blind Man
- May 28 9:30 AM Liturgy: **Ascension of the Lord**
- May 30 **Visitation of the cemeteries** (times to be posted later)
- May 31 10 AM Liturgy – Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Did you know?

Did you know that when our parish was founded it was dedicated to St. Thomas, before it was re-named for Saint George (in 1938)?



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