

The Martyr

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Up-coming Services and Events

Today: *The First Sunday of Luke*

9:30 a.m. Church School
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

25: 7:00 a.m. Matins

26: 7:00 a.m. Matins

27: 7:00 a.m. Matins
6:30 p.m. "Glory to God for All Things"

28: 7:00 a.m. Matins

29: 7:00 a.m. Matins

30: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

Oct. 1: *The Second Sunday of Luke*

9:30 a.m. Church School
9:45 a.m. General Confession
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

2: 7:00 a.m. Matins

3: 7:00 a.m. Matins

4: 7:00 a.m. Matins

5: 7:00 a.m. Matins

6: 7:00 a.m. Matins

8: *The Third Sunday of Luke*

9:30 a.m. Church School
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Prayers for Blessings and Health

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

Those who are sick: Archbishop Nikon; Fr. Daniel Montgomery; Fr. Marc Vranes; Christy Adams; Matushka Suzanne Aleandro; Mildred & Michael Ar-endacs; George & Toni Barmashi; Paul Betts; Eileen Bochino; James Brideau; Debi Broadus; Arlene Bunnell; Jim Cerner; Joyce Chadwick; Frank Chamberlain; Bernard & Annie Christenson; Bobby Christo; Tara Coppola; Anthony Cordero; Peter Costa; Renate Deer; Armando Dias; Pandora Dionis; Kevin Donnelly; Danielle & Mary Galich; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Luba Geeza; Irene Jordhamo Hughes;

Shirley Hunter; Nancy Hurd; Kiril & Patricia Ivanov; Sug Jones; Donald & Shirley Jordan; Christy Lambert; Violet Laska; Bruce Lazar; June Lopen; Carole Lundquist; Steven Malandra; Karen Marlin; Albert Masek, Sr.; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Michael Moras, Jr.; Theodore Morrison; Andy Nunn; Kimberly Orosz; James Pando; Pat Perrotta, Dena Soter Reardon; Helen Reh; Linda Rich; David Schutte; Andrea Snedegar; Angie Soter; Charles & Joann Soter; Tessie Sotir; Sue & Thomas Spero; Christian Tallcouch; Richard Taylor, Jr.; Thomas Terzakis; Thalia Thomas; William Thomas; Poullette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Alice Vasil; Ann Vitale.

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

Patricia Cook Johnson

September

- 18 Michael Adam (2015)
19 Lazar (Louis) Theodos (1948)
Chrisothimi (Mimi) Karoli (1948)
George Panoli (1991)
Marie Dimitri Lazar (2007)
20 Sotiro Toroveci (1949)
Oscar Phillips (1986)
Louis Naum (1989)
21 Maria Tushi Nichio (1938)
25 Dimitri Ndini (1983)
27 Olga Otto (1977)
29 Shpresa (Theresa) Blowers

Coffee Hour

Today: ??

Oct. 1: Laura Chadwick and Jessica Baird

8: Mary, Gloria, Dolores, etc.

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

Scholarships available

Applications for the 2017 **Thomas and Katherine LaBache Scholarships** are now being accepted.

Applications are available at the Candle Desk and must be returned by next Sunday, September 30th.

News from the Women's Council

The September meeting of the **Orthodox Women's Council** will be held on Saturday, September 23, 2017, at Holy Ghost Russian Orthodox Church on East Main St. in Bridgeport, at 1:30 p.m. The proposed slate of elected officers for the next two year term will be presented.

More news from the Women's Council

The *Orthodox Women's Council's* annual drive for **Pajamas for Kids** (*infants to 18-year-olds*) will begin in September and end in March. (Please note, sweat pants will work for the 18-year-olds).

If you would like to contribute *new* pajamas, a container is located in the Church Hall. Thank you for your participation.

Coffee Hour Sign-up Sheet

The new **Coffee Hour Sign-up Sheet** for 2017/2018 is now posted on the wall in the Church Hall.

Take a look today and sign up to host a Coffee Hour in honor of a special event or in memory of a loved one.

Educational Mini-Series to be held

This Wednesday, September 27th, we will begin an adult education "mini-series" on Saints offered in our Church Hall at 7:00 p.m., following the celebration of the Akathist Hymn, "Glory to God for All Things."

This month, we will discuss what a Saint is, according to the Orthodox Church.

See the flyer printed on the back of today's Bulletin for details.

News from the Teuta Ladies' Society

The **Teuta Ladies' Society** is currently accepting donations to offset the costs of their annual **Bazaar**, which will be held on Saturday, October 21st.

See Sue Galich to make your donation.

FORCC Banquet

The 24th **Annual FORCC Benefit Dinner** will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 1st. This year's event will be held at St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church on Racebrook Road in Orange. **Fr. Chad Hatfield**, President of St. Vladimir's Seminary, will be the guest, speaking on the state of Pan-Orthodox relationships today.

Menu options include chicken or fish. Tickets are \$35 per person for adults and \$10 per person for children if purchased and paid for by today. Adult tickets will be \$45 per person if purchased between September 25th and September 30th. No tickets will be sold at the door.

See *Father Dennis* or *Bob Lazar* for information.

Lakror for sale

Lakrors—Leek, Spinach and Sauerkraut—are now available to order for delivery after the Bazaar on October 21st. The cost is \$50.00 each. See Laura Denisevich or Laura Chadwick to place an order.

Parish Finances

Be sure to take a look at the sign at the Candle Desk which shows last month's income and expenses.

Notification of illness

When you or someone you know is sick or in the hospital, please be sure to let Father Dennis know so he can visit. He can be reached at 203-598-4678.

Charity Collection

This month, our Charity Collection will go to **International Orthodox Christian Charities** to help with their relief efforts in areas affected by the recent hurricanes. Donations can also be made directly at the IOCC website: ioccc.org/Harvey.

Please be generous!

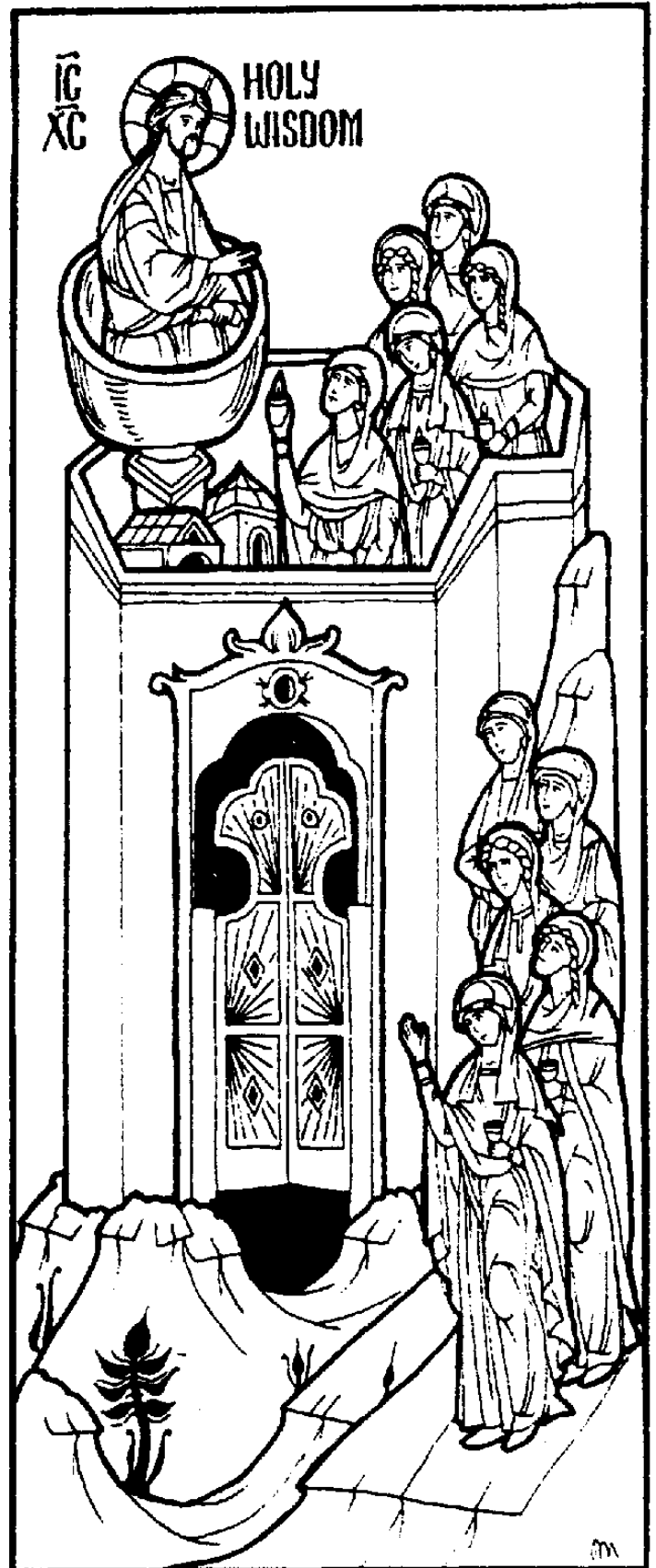
Special Collection

At the request of the OCA's Metropolitan Council and Metropolitan Tikhon, a special collection will be taken next Sunday, October 1st, to help the Orthodox Church in Mexico recover from the recent earthquake.

Best wishes to our Collegians!

The following is a status update of some of our young adults currently enrolled in college. We give our best wishes for their continued success!

- **Jonathan Avila**—Sophomore at Housatonic Community College.
- **Kristen Babich**—Sophomore majoring in Elementary Education at Saint Joseph's University (Pennsylvania).
- **Hope Caliendo**—Sophomore attending King's College (Pennsylvania) majoring in Early Childhood education.
- **TJ Coughlin**—Sophomore majoring in Engineering at the University of Maryland.
- **Allison Cryan**—Attending Housatonic College pursuing a degree in marketing.
- **Haley Flynn**—Sophomore attending the University of New Hampshire.
- **Eric Flynn**—Sophomore attending the University of Rhode Island.
- **George Goetz**—Freshman majoring in Engineering and Business at Penn State.
- **Jackie Goetz**—Sophomore majoring in Biology at the University of Connecticut.
- **Amy Hurd**—Junior at Bryant University (Rhode Island).
- **Adam Nichio**—Senior majoring in Photography at Norwalk Community College.
- **Anthony Nichio**—Senior majoring in Finance at the University of Connecticut.
- **Kristina Tolkuçi**—Junior at Arcadia University (Pennsylvania).
- **Jordan Paige Veneri**—Junior attending Saint Anselm College (New Hampshire) majoring in Biology.
- **Eve Wight**—Sophomore attending the University of Vermont.



Many Years!

Për Shumë Vjet!

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Brethren, yes, working together with Him, we beg you not to receive God's grace in vain. For He says, "In an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation, I have helped you." Look, now is the acceptable time; look, now is the day of salvation! We give no offense to anyone, that our ministry may not be blamed. On the contrary, let us behave in all circumstances as God's ministers, in much patience, in tribulations, in hardships, in distress; in stripes, in imprisonments, in riots; in labors, in sleepless nights, in fastings; in innocence, in knowledge, in long-suffering, in kindness, in the Holy Spirit, in unaffected love; in the word of truth, in God's power; with the armor of justification on the right hand and on the left; in honor and dishonor, in evil report and good report; as deceivers and yet truthful, as unknown and yet well known, as dying, and look, we live; as punished, but not killed, as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing, as poor, yet enriching many, as having nothing, yet possessing all things.

Luke 5:1-11

At that time, Jesus was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. And He saw two boats moored by the lake, but the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. And getting into one of the boats, the one that was Simon's, He asked him to put out a little from the land. And sitting down, He began to teach the crowds from the boat. But when He had stopped speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep, and lower your nets for a catch." And Simon answered and said to Him, "Master, the whole night through we have toiled and have taken nothing; but at Your word I will lower the net." And when they had done so, they caught a great number of fishes, but their net was breaking. And they called to their comrades in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw this, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O LORD," for he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish they had made; and so also were James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you shall catch men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left all and followed Him.

2 Korinthianëve 6:1-10

Vëllezër, si bashkëpunëtorë me të, ju lutemi juve të mos e pritni kot hirin e Perëndisë. Sepse thotë: "Në kohë të pëlqyeshme të dëgjova ty, dhe në ditë shpëtimi të ndihmova ty;" ja tani tek është kohë e pëlqyeshme; ja tani tek është ditë shpëtimi. Për asgjë nuk japim asnjë pengesë, që të mos shahet shërbesa jonë. Por në çdo gjë e paraqesim veten tonë si shërbëtorë të Perëndisë, me shumë durim, në shtrëngime, në nevoja, në ngushtica, në rrahje, në burgje, në turbullira, në mundime, në pagjumësi, në agjërime; në pastrim, në urtësi, në zemërgjerësi, në mirësi, në Shpirt të Shenjtë, në dashuri johipokrite; në fjalë të së vërtetës, në fuqi Perëndie; me armët e drejtësisë në dorën e djathtë e në të majtën; në lavdi e në çnderim, në emër të mirë e në emër të keq; si gënjeshtarë, po të vërtetë; si të panjohur, po të njohur mirë; si njerëz që vdesin, po ja tek rrojmë; si të munduar, po jo të vdekur; si të hidhëruar, po gjithnjë të gëzuar; si të varfër, po shumë veta i bëjmë të pasur; si njerëz që s'kanë gjë, po të gjitha i kemi në dorë.

Llukai 5:1-11

Në atë kohë, Jisui qëndronte pranë liqenit Gjenisaret. Edhe pa dy lundra duke qëndruar pranë bregut të liqenit; dhe peshkatarët dolën nga ato, e lanin rrjetat. Edhe ai hyri në njëren nga lundrat, në atë që ishte e Simonit, dhe iu lut atij të largohej pak prej tokës. Edhe si ndenji mësonte turmën nga lundra. Edhe si pushoi së foluri, i tha Simonit: "Sill lundrën në ujëra të thella, dhe hidhni rrjetat tuaja, që të zini peshq." Edhe Simoni u përgjigj e i tha: "Mësues, gjithë natën u munduam, dhe nuk zëmë gjë; po për fjalën tënde do ta hedh rrjetën." Edhe si bënë këtë, mbyllën brenda një mori të madhe peshqish, dhe rrjeta e tyre po çirrej. Edhe u bënë me shenjë shokëve që ishin në lundrën tjetër, që të vinin e t'u ndihmonin; dhe ata erdhën, dhe mbushën të dy lundrat, kaq sa ato zunë të fundoseshin. Edhe Simon Pjetri, kur pa, ra në gjunjët e Jisuit, duke thënë: "Dil prej meje, ZOT, sepse jam njeri mëkatar." Sepse habi e pushtoi atë dhe ata që ishin bashkë me të, për gjahun e peshqve që zunë; gjithashtu edhe Jakovin e Joanin, të bijtë e Zevedheut, të cilët ishin shokë të Simonit. Edhe Jisui i tha Simonit: "Mos ki frikë, se pastaj do të gjuash njerëz." Edhe si sollën lundrat në tokë, i lanë të gjitha dhe shkuan pas tij.