

Prayers for the Health & Salvation of those who are in need: Many Years!

Metropolitan Theodosius, Bishop Nikon, Protopresbyter Joseph Kreta, Priestmonk Ambrose (Young), Archpriest John Perich, Archpriest Michael Mihalick, Archpriest Thomas Succorotte, Archpriest Alexander Atty, Archpriest Peter Pier, Archpriest John Chupeck, Priest Timothy Holowatch, Priest Anthony Demetri, Priest Innokentios Byakatonda, Priest Gabriel Rehatta, Neal Carrigan, Presbytera Katherine Hartung, Mat. Lisa Weremedic, Mat. Gloria Martin, Sbdn. Richard Hathaway, Pauline Fetsko, Margaret Balog, Maria Baia, Michael & Margot Katchur, Timothy Herman, Elena Kurylo, Sally Ann Marasco, Nancy Wingert, the infant Levi Potteiger, Monica & Andrew Burgett, Michael & Amelia Kuzmiak, Mary Burke, Marie Holowatch, Aaron Hojnicky, Joseph Hojnicky, Lorraine Brown, Charles Brown, Hannah Gordon, Sharon Hanna, Mary Lou Grove, Mary Kneiss, Ryan Matthew Pron, Peter Melnik, Julie Harb, Beth Arneson, John DellaMonica, Carol Allen, Anne Merlina, Kathleen Cavanaugh, Almaz Alemu, Klare Sunderland, Rick Ally, Rachel Landeretta, Carol Zetterberg, Mel Innamorato, Lisa Gunter, Brian Keefer, Ann Innamorato, Mary Themel, Jaryn Ruth, Pamela Cordly, Bernard Pennock, Lauren Pennock, John Holroyd, Gregory Bretz, Earle Simons, John Greenwood, Troy Nelson, Michael Orlando, Donnie Boyer, Douglas Poleschuck, Barbara Dorohow, Sophia Bambalis, Nancy Mutton, the child Diana Breaz, Jennifer Pontician, John Sklenar, Pamela Zimmerman, Peter Themel, Gregory Baia, Brianna Peck, Betty Lou Dietrich, Pierce Pruett, John Conson, Braden Green, Chad, Jamee Vander Molen, Jeannette Wolf, Gerald Samson, Doris Ziegler, Georgianne Herigan, Deb Urich, Michael Simons, Tyler Ritchey, Adreanna, Zoe & the children born of them, Rose, Diana Bitting, Scott Warner, Dn. Francis Gorman, Anna Pcholinsky, Christopher Aquino, Steven Hojnicky & Jason Gartsu serving in Afghanistan, Missionaries Christina Semon and Nathan Hoppe, our college students: Xenia Gaskill, Alexios Givler, Levi Jekel, Monica Jekel, Kathryn Kellachow, Christine Kelly, Joseph Kurtz, & Matthew Linnehan, our Catechumens John & Stacey Halliburton, Amanda Mylin, Andrew Katerman, together with the suffering victims of violence, terror, & natural disasters throughout the world.

Prayers for the newly Departed: Memory Eternal!

Carol Durkish (+10/26), Georgia Demopolous (+11/6), Chistopher Aiello (+11/14)



Holy Apostles Orthodox Mission Mechanicsburg, PA

Bulletin for Sunday, November 20, 2011

23rd Sunday after Pentecost - Tone 6 - Advent Fast

Today in the Church we celebrate the memory of

**The Venerable Gregory
the Decapolite**

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

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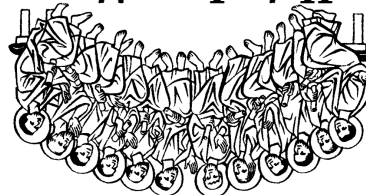
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Parish Events for the week:

Continuing the Advent Fast

Sunday, November 20:

Great Vespers Following Church School

“Amazing Monograms” Open House 1:00-4:00 pm

Monday, November 21: Entry of the Theotokos

Festal Divine Liturgy: 7:30 am

Wednesday, November 23:

Downtown Bible Study: 12:00 Noon

Service of Thanksgiving at Holy Trinity G.O.

Cathedral, Camp Hill: 7:00 pm

NO SERVICE AT HOLY APOSTLES

Saturday, November 26:

Choir Rehearsal: 5:00 pm

Confessions: 5:00 pm

Great Vespers: 6:00 pm

Sunday, November 27:

Reading of the 3rd & 6th Hours: 9:10 am

Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am

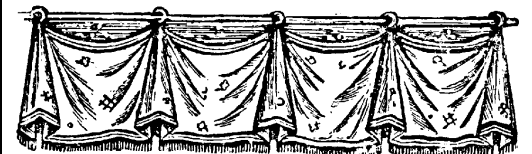
Church School & Fellowship Following



Scripture Readings:

+ **Epistle:** Ephesians 2:4-10

+ **Gospel:** St. Luke 12: 16-21



Weekly Attendance:

Saturday, 11/12: Vespers: 73

Sunday, 11/13: Liturgy: 118

Wednesday, 11/16: Vespers: 20

Announcements for Sunday, November 20, 2011

GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! ✝ GLORY FOREVER!

A Warm Welcome to all our visitors and guests who have participated in our celebration of the Divine Liturgy this morning! We invite all of our guests to please join us for our Fellowship Hour. Please sign our parish guest book to be put on our mailing list. *Please note: Only those Orthodox Christians that have properly prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and a recent confession of sins and have attended the service from at LEAST the reading of the Holy Gospel, and are at peace with one another may approach the Chalice.*

Holy Day: Tomorrow (11/21) we celebrate the Great Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple. We will celebrate Great Vespers immediately after Fellowship Hour and Church School (*Teachers please start class as soon as possible so we can begin services soon thereafter...*) this afternoon. On Monday, (11/21) we will serve the festal Divine Liturgy at 7:30 am. Join us as we honor the Lord's Mother!

Amazing Monograms Open House: Don and Carole Fair's embroidery business "Amazing Monograms" will be offering a Christmas Open House for parish members and their friends at their shop in their home **TODAY** from 1:00-4:00 pm. They would like to donate 20% of gross sales to the Church. Please join us!

Our Annual Youth Charity Luncheon was a great success raising \$600 towards the

Agia Sophia Coffee House Project. Thank you to the youth who worked so hard to put it on and to Joe and Abby Baia for organizing this event!

Service of Thanksgiving: The Local Harrisburg Orthodox Churches will gather at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Camp Hill for the Akathist of Thanksgiving on Wednesday (11/23) at 7:00 pm. His Grace, Bishop Tikhon will preside and our choir will lead the singing (in English!). Join us as we gather to give thanks to God!

From this week's Mission Council:

- A \$600 donation was approved for the Agia Sophia Coffee house
- A new goal of \$200,000 was set for Pascha, 2013
- The next Building committee Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 12/1 at 6:30 pm.

Congratulations to Fr. Patrick and Mat. Mara Burns on the birth of their (10lb!) second daughter Dorothy Emilia born this past Thursday evening. Everyone is well and they send their greetings!

We welcome Andrew Katerman into the Catechumate of the Orthodox Church! Andrew was received as a Catechumen by His Beatitude Metropolitan Jonah recently. **Many Years!**

Charity Food Drive: Continuing through the month of November we are collecting nonperishable food items for the West Shore Food Bank. Please see the blue tub in the back. **Thank you!**

Orthodox Youth Christmas Retreat: Holy

Trinity Cathedral will host a Pan-Orthodox Youth Retreat Friday, December 2, from 5:45-8:00 pm with the theme "**Jesus is the Reason for the Season**". This retreat is open to children ages 4-12 years-old (6th grade). Please see the flyers on the back table. Registration forms are due TODAY.

Volunteers needed: We are in need of volunteers to help out at the Coffee House on Saturdays. This will help alleviate some financial strains and will help as a parish to support this worthy and important ministry. **Please see Stacey Halliburton or Fr. Timothy for more information as we will be organizing a volunteer schedule in the coming weeks.**

Wisdom! Let us Attend! The Deacon's Corner

I recently came across an EXCELLENT article written by Priestmonk Tryphon, Abbot of All Merciful Savior Monastery on Vashon Island, WA. This piece is a MUST read, and I ask you to pick up a copy on the back table or go to this website link:

www.goodguyswearblack.org/2011/09/12/help-your-priest-by-understanding-this-one-thing/

if you prefer. Either way, I think it would be good for all of us to be reminded of what the life of a priest is like, outside of Church Services. Let us remember in our prayers Fr. Tim in his daily life as our Priest, and Matushka and the kids as they support him. BTW, this was not solicited by Fr. Tim at all. :)~~~~

With Love in Christ,

Fr. Deacon Seraphim



Some Pastoral & Practical Thoughts...
As we journey through the Advent season, remember that we are called to prepare for the celebration of Christmas through this Lenten Fast. In addition to increased prayer, fasting, and charitable deeds, we are also called to come to Holy Confession. As dedicated members of Holy Apostles, I would hope that everyone takes the time to come and make their confession in preparation for the Nativity of Christ. There will be extra times for Confession throughout Advent - take advantage of it! It just makes sense that as we prepare our homes and get material things ready, we should also prepare the manger of our souls to meet Christ on His Divine Birthday.

1. *Limit the amount of time you spend watching television or listening to the radio. Use media such as the Internet sparingly except important things such as checking email, etc. for spiritual reading or religious-oriented programming (like Ancient Faith Radio, etc.)*

2. *Donate money to others, to the Church, to some poor family, some social or educational work of which you know. And don't tell anyone about it...*

3. *Maintain the Fast as much as possible as an example of practicing self-control.... Do not judge others who may not seem to be fasting. It may be possible that their personal struggle is, in reality, much more difficult than your own.*

4. *Observe prayer time at home, school, or work, at least once each day, preferably at the same time each day. Observe a short Rule of Prayer, but keep it faithfully every day of the Fast.*