

✠ Today's Announcements for Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011 ✠



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.*

As a parish family we wish a Happy Birthday today to Symeon Jekel (2/13) and Laura (Brooke) Washburn this Wednesday, (2/16). **May God grant them many blessed years!**

Today's Charity Collection (2/13), will go to help our former "home" Mission Central in their ongoing Christian service.

Maddox Family Meals: We look forward to seeing new Baby William John in the near future. If anyone is interested in making meals for the Maddox Family for the coming weeks, please see Matushka. A "Take-them-a-meal" website schedule has been set up for the family. For those who have requested the family's address:

Maddox Family's Address:
309 Arch St. Carlisle, PA 17013

House Blessings 2011: Fr. Tim continues to bless homes. House blessings will be arranged with those who sign-up in the vestibule (see the sheets). Please designate the best day of the week and time on the calendar, and Father will call to set up a time. Please have a candle, bowl of holy water, and a list of living & departed members of your family ready for this visit. If possible, all members of the family should be present, and the TV, radio & cell phones should be turned off.

Youth Bowling Day: TODAY after Fellowship Hour from 1:15 –3:15 pm. Please See Joe Baia for details and directions.

Next Saturday (2/19), Chris Givler will offer a presentation following Great Vespers on his journey to Orthodoxy. We had to postpone this due to illness. Please bring a snack to share if you would like. **Plan on joining us!**

Illness and the Liturgy: This is a gentle and loving request to remember that if you are sick with a contagious illness, please use discretion and stay home from the Divine services. We pray every Sunday for those who are absent for a reason "*worthy of God's blessing*" and this would be one of those. Please see Fr. Timothy if you have any concerns.

YAF – The Young Adult Fellowship of the Orthodox Council of Churches of South Central PA will host its 5th Annual Pre-Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 5, at our Mission. Please join us for a day of worship (*Divine Liturgy at 10 am*), learning & connection with other Orthodox young adults. Fr. Hector Firoglanis will present the theme "**The Church as a Spiritual Hospital**". Lunch will be provided and the day will end with the beautiful Akathist of Thanksgiving. More information will be provided at a later date or you may see Phil Graybill. For more info email:

youngadultfellowship@gmail.com

Lenten Retreat for Grades 3– 6: Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Camp Hill will host a Lenten retreat for students grades 3rd – 6th on Saturday, March 19th from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. The theme will be "Living Holy Week" Cost is \$5.00 per child and RSVPs are due by Saturday, March 5th. Please see the form on the bulletin board.

Time to restock the Kitchen Pantry... Thank you to those who have been bringing in items periodically! At this time we are in need of small plates, bowls, juice cups, reg. coffee, paper towels, kleenex, and hand sanitizer to restock our pantry for the coming months. The **MANY** recent donations are greatly appreciated!

Sunday of Orthodoxy Choir Rehearsal: Today at 4:00 pm at Holy Trinity G.O.

Cathedral, Camp Hill

Anyone interested in joining the Fellowship Hour Teams, please see Matushka today. A new list is being created.

Goming Events...

- **Forgiveness Sunday:** Sunday, March 6, at 7:00 pm we will begin the Lenten Fast with the moving Forgiveness Vespers. Every parishioner should make the extra effort to attend!
- **Lenten Retreat:** Saturday, March 12th 10:30 am-2:30 pm. Christ the Saviour will host speaker - V. Rev. Dr. Michael Oleksa. Theme: "Christianity and the Environment". Freewill offering, lunch included. Fr. Michael will also speak at the Mission that evening after Vespers.
- **Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers** will be held at Holy Annunciation Orthodox Church in Lancaster, PA on March 13, at 4:00 pm. Guest speaker will be Dr. Harry Boosalis, professor of Dogmatic Theology at St. Tikhon Seminary.
- **St. Tikhon Seminary Mission Choir** will be visiting our parish on Saturday, March 19, to sing the responses at Vespers. We will have a Lenten Potluck that evening.
- **His Grace Bishop Tikhon** will make an official "big" visit the weekend of the Cross, March 26-27. We will have a Hierarchical Vigil Saturday night as well as a Hierarchical Liturgy with vesting Sunday Morning.