## "THE WEEKLY FORERUNNER" Our Parish Weekly Bulletin

O Holy John, Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptizer of the Lord, pray to God for us!

#### A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Glory to Jesus Christ! (responded with: Glory forever!) Slava Isusu Christu! (Slava na viki!) We are happy that you have joined us today! It is our pleasure to have you in our presence this morning and we wish God's Blessings to all who visit with us today and hope you stop again soon! Please see Fr. Dave if you have any questions in regards to our worship or Orthodoxy.

#### UPCOMING SERVICES

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 #DormitionFast 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost St. Emilian the Confessor, bishop of Cyzicus (820) Blessing of Grapes and First-Fruits (and vegetables) MONDAY, AUGUST 22 #DormitionFast 9:30 am Paraklis to the Theotokos

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24 #DormitionFast 7:00 pm Moleben to the Theotokos

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27 #DormitionFast 7:00 pm Feast Day Vespers

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#### SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Venerable Macarius the Roman, abbot (1550) 9:30 am Divine Liturgy Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12 (Sunday)

Philippians 2:5-11 (Feast Day)

Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35 (Sunday)

Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 (Feast Day)

Tone 2; Liturgical Color: **Blue** Blessing of Flowers (and Herbs)

#### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

7:00 pm Akathist to the Inexhaustible Cup

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**Calendar** - Future Services are updated online at: www.orthodoxpittsburgh.com/parish-calendar

(Please see Fr. Dave if you want a printed copy) **Live-Broadcast** – If you are unable to attend church services, please pray along with our Cathedral online:

www.acrod.org/organizations/cathedral/live/

#### RELOCATION UPDATE

#### \*\*\* Counter-Offer

This past Wednesday the Parish Council met and reviewed the inspection report with our realtor. The following counter-offer was proposed, unanimously passed, then sent to the Allison Park Church:

"After review of the August 11, 2022 inspection report, we are prepared to offer \$200,000 and our four North Side properties for the 2201 property.

To justify the price reduction, we would have to

the roof, gutters and downspouts, HVAC: boiler, heat pump, and AC and the electrical panel.

address three major needs:

The estimated cost of such repairs are estimated to be approximately \$115,000."

The Allison Park Church will discuss and get back to us. May God continue to guide our journey!

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## **BULLETIN BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Please have submissions to Fr. Dave by Wednesday)

\*\* \*#Dormition Fast – This is our lead-in to the great Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos. This 2-week Fast (from Aug 14-27) is one of the four fasting periods of the year when we are called to a special time of increasing our prayer, fasting, and charity. Increase your prayer by coming to confession (offered after any of the services).

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\* August: The Month of Special Blessings! – The last extra blessing in August is next week: Blessing of Flowers & Herbs (8/28). Bring them in from home (or the store) next week to take the blessing home!

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\*\* Sunday School Teachers are needed. Please contact Fr. Dave or a Parish Council Member if you are interested

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#### ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ORTHODOX CHURCH

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\* Home Blessings – Our Annual Home Blessings began last week after the Lesser Blessing of Water. Fr. Dave is looking forward to visiting *every home* this August, September, or October. Please schedule with him today.

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\*\* Coat Drive - Do you have a clean coat or two that you have not worn since before our last coat drive but it is still in good condition? We are now collecting clean coats and jackets to donate to the Neighborhood Resilience Project (NRP) [Formerly FOCUS Pittsburgh (who provide Food, Occupation, Clothing, Understanding, and Shelter to those who are in need)]. Please place your clean coat(s) on the coat rack in the hall during the month of August.

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\*\*\* Godparent Sunday — Our Annual Godparent Sunday celebration is tentatively scheduled for **Sunday, September 11**. It is a day to honor them and to encourage the growth of this spiritual relationship. We need to keep the Spiritual bonds alive with our God-parents and God-children. Even more important, we need to keep our life united with our Lord, Jesus Christ. This unites us with one another.

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\* Garage Sale will be September 16-17, 2022 – Our new dates are set for a 2-day garage sale. Please bring your donations to the hall and place them on the tables. (Proceeds from the Garage Sale will go to offset some of the costs of our 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon in October.)

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\* 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon tickets will be \$30 per person. Also, someone has graciously donated towards the favors on the tables. Thank you! May God grant you many Years!

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\*\* Did you get behind? - If you by chance got behind in your weekly (or monthly) stewardship offerings to the church, please *catch up* as August is the end of our "fiscal" year-end. Through your generosity, let's continue to stay "in the black" and "above water".

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\*\* Spotted Lanternfly – Did you know that the North Side is considered a 'quarantine zone' for the high numbers of the invasive Spotted Lanternfly? Please kill this invader if you see them! At this time, they are very harmful to trees, flowers, and plants. (For example, they may have taken over one of our pussywillow trees.)

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\* Trek4Missions - Please join us for our 3rd annual OCMC Trek4Missions held from Monday, August 8 to Sunday, September 18! This event is the Orthodox Christian Mission Center's largest virtual fundraiser that challenges participants to be physically active while raising awareness and financial support for our mission work to unite the world to Jesus Christ and His Church.

If anyone is interested in leading a local team (last year's team name was *Pittsburgh Forerunners*), please contact Fr. Dave. Everyone who registers will receive a free Trek4Missions t-shirt! There are no fees to register.

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**Bulletin Sponsor** – If you wish to sponsor a bulletin In Honor of (nameday, birthday, anniversary, etc.) or In Memory of someone, please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule or by contacting Fr. Dave (email, text, or call). An additional stewardship offering to the Church is requested.

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#### OUR STEWARDSHIP GIFTS TO GOD

corrected offerings from August 7	
Stewardship Offerings:	\$ 150
Candle Stewardship:	\$ 112
Envelope Stewardship:	\$ 1083
Community Outreach:	\$ 45
<b>Total Collections:</b>	\$ 1390
Capital Improvement:	\$ 80
Relocation Fund:	\$ 120
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August 14
Stewardship Offerings:

**Relocation Fund:** 

Stewardship Offerings:\$ 590Candle Stewardship:\$ 155Envelope Stewardship:\$ 209Total Collections:\$ 974Capital Improvement:\$ 25

\$ 50

Weekly Candle Intentions / Memorials were offered the past two weeks by Nelson Family; May Jane Hudak; Melanie Shuster; Kathy Schrmack; Cindy Pavilonis; Patty Watson; Lawrence Martin; Timothy Martin; John Radick; Mirilovich Family

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**The Eternal Lamp** was offered the past two weeks by Cindy Pavilonis In Memory Of her mother, +Anna Louise; and Matthew Peifer IMO his parents, +Jack and +Viola Peifer. May Their Memory Be Eternal!

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On-Line Giving is available from our parish website to donate to the: General Stewardship Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, and/or Relocation Fund. The best option is to come to church and give your offering to God in His Temple (2<sup>nd</sup> best is to mail it in to Tim Martin, 2225 McAleer Rd., Sewickley, PA 15143). If you miss coming to church for a week, online giving allows you another option to "catch up" on your weekly stewardship. You can also set up a recurring donation online. For our parish to continue it's ministries, outreach, and general bill paying, your generosity and stewardship is needed.

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## SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

## Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

<sup>9</sup> For I think that God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to

men. <sup>10</sup> We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. <sup>11</sup> To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, <sup>12</sup> and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; <sup>13</sup> when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the offscouring of all things.

#### **Fatherly Admonition**

<sup>14</sup>I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. <sup>15</sup>For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. <sup>16</sup>I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

## **Gospel:** Matthew 17:14-23

#### Jesus Cures a Boy with a Demon

<sup>14</sup> And when they came to the crowd, a man came up to him and kneeling before him said, <sup>15</sup> "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is demented and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. <sup>16</sup> And I brought him to your disciples, and they could not heal him." <sup>17</sup> And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." <sup>18</sup> And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly.

<sup>19</sup> Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" <sup>20</sup> He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. <sup>21</sup> But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting."

#### Jesus Again Foretells His Death and

<sup>22</sup> As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, <sup>23</sup> and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day." And they were greatly distressed.

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#### LIVES OF THE SAINTS

#### Sainted Emelian, Bishop Of Kyzika

Commemorated on August 21/8

Sainted Emelian, Bishop of Kyzika, lived during the reign of the Iconoclast emperor Leo the Armenian (813-820). He was summoned together with other bishops to the court of the emperor, who insistently urged the bishops to refrain from the veneration of holy icons. Saint Emelian was the first firmly to answer the emperor, that the question about the veneration of holy icons ought to be discussed and decided only within the Church by spiritual personages, and not at the imperial court. In the year 815 he was sent to prison for the Orthodox faith, where he died as a confessor.

# +++ +++ +++ LIVING ORTHODOXY

#### The Rosary

The rosary was originally an Orthodox form of prayer that was later adopted by the Roman Catholics. It has since fallen out of common practice in the Church.

#### History

The prayer rope was formed by St. Pachomius in the fourth century. From there the rosary developed, some say as early as the eighth century. It is said that even centuries later St. Seraphim of Sarov (1754-1833) used it to pray to the Virgin Theotokos. In the thirteenth century, Roman Catholics started using in the West following its discovery by Dominic de Guzmán, a Spanish priest.

#### Method

The prayers said on this form of the prayer rope are the Hail Mary (also Hail Mother of God and Virgin), the Lord's Prayer, and the Jesus Prayer. The Hail Mary is said in groups of ten, and in between each group of ten are said the Lord's Prayer and the Jesus Prayer. Between each grouping of Hail Marys, a meditation is also pronounced, which is then thought of throughout the succeeding Hail Marys.

#### Orthodox Christian use

St. Seraphim of Sarov instructed lay people to use his prayer rule, containing 'Theotokos, Virgin, rejoice..' prayers. One of his spiritual children, Fr. Zosima, wrote out words of the Saint:

"...Say the 'Hail Mary..' one hundred and fifty times... This rule was given by the Mother of God herself in about the eighth century... We Orthodox have forgotten about it, and St. Seraphim has reminded me of this Rule. In my hands I have a hand-written book from the cell of St. Seraphim, containing a description of the many miracles which took place through praying to the Mother of God and especially through saying one hundred and fifty times the Hail Mary... Whomever he spoke to about this miracle-working Rule remained grateful to him...".

## PRAYER CORNER

For the Health of... Matthew, Liana, Joshua, George, John, Emily, Beverly, Kelly, Michelle, Paul, Kathleen, Joanne, Marie, Barbara, Brian, Kristina, Sean, Julia, Susan, Juliana, Fredrick, Kenneth, Michael, and Roberta ...through the prayers of St. Nectarios the Wonderworker; St. Luke, the Surgeon; and St. Panteleimon, the Healer.

## +++ +++++ For the souls of the newly departed...

+Donna (Wetzel) Jedlicka (8/9)

...May the Lord God grant them blessed repose where there is no pain sorrow or mourning. May they be Eternal in God's Memory.



#### A Prayer to the Theotokos

(Strive to pray this ten times a day during the Dormition Fast)

Hail Mary, full of grace, O Virgin Birthgiver of God, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, for you have given birth to Christ, the Savior and deliverer of our souls.

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#### ONLINE BULLETIN BONUSES

## Ten Steps to a Better Prayer Life

If you want to improve your prayer life, start now. These ideas may seem of little significance, but can help you make leaps and bounds in the intensity and consistency of your prayer.

## 1. Designate A Prayer Space

Whether it is in the corner of your desk or a little stand in your room, it is important to have a place where you can put your Bible, Icons, etc. Dedicate the use of that space for God alone.

#### 2. Acquire A Time

Incorporate prayer in your routine and set time aside to center your thoughts to God.

#### 3. Acquire A Library

Start with a Bible, then get a small Orthodox Prayer Book, after that start collecting books. Here are some suggestions: 'The Way of a Pilgrim' (Monk of the Eastern Church), 'Beginning to Pray' (Metropolitan Anthony Bloom), 'The Orthodox Way' (Bishop Kallistos Ware), 'Way of the Aesetic (Tito Collander).

#### 4. Assemble An Altar

In your prayer center gather icons (Christ, Theotokos, Guardian Angel and patron saint), service books, incense, votive light, a cross, a prayer rope, etc. Incorporate your five senses in prayer.

#### 5. Pray

Speak from your heart. Learn prayers of the Church. Try the Jesus Prayer or the Lord's Prayer. Also incorporate your own prayers and thoughts.

## 6. Acquire A Spiritual Guide

This is a very important step. One should build a relationship with either a member of the clergy, monk or nun, who will become your spiritual guide. He/she will help guide and pace you to a balanced prayer life. The Sacrament of Confession can be arranged through your priest.

## 7. Fasting and Almsgiving

Fasting adds a dimension to your prayer life. Your fasting practice should be regulated to avoid physical and spiritual harm. As for alms, give where you see a need and trust that the Lord will provide.

## 8. Build On What You Already Have

If you already have a routine, build on it. If, for example, you pray before you go to sleep, it will be easier to read a chapter from the Bible before your bedtime prayers, than to set up some time during the day to read.

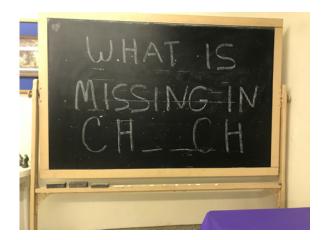
#### 9. Sanctify All That You Do

You may have set aside a time and space for a prayer routine, but that doesn't mean you should separate your life into sacred and secular. Privately thank God for what you have at all times, and make Him aware of your every concern. Dedicate everything you do to Him.

## 10. Remember the power of the Life-giving Cross

The sign of the Cross is a reminder of Christ in our lives. Blessing oneself with the cross by holding the first two fingers of the right hand and thumb together represents the Holy Trinity. The last two fingers held to the palm represent the two natures of Christ – God and man. Orthodox Christians cross themselves from the head to the breast and from shoulder to shoulder, right to left. This unique and all embracing symbol shows that the cross is the inspiration, power and indeed the very content of our lives.

Source: https://stpeterorthodoxchurch.com/prayer/



## 2022 Home Blessings How to prepare for your home blessing?

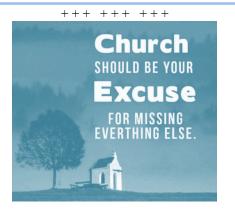
1. See Fr. Dave, email him (fr.sleepless@gmail.com), call or text him (412-748-0148) today with your preferred windows of time for him to visit.

- 2. Have a white cloth placed on the dining room or kitchen table, an icon and/or a cross, and a candle to be lit. (Fr Dave will provide the Holy Water for the blessing.)
- 3. Have a list of names of those who live in the home (including your pets) and a list of the departed members of your family and friends you wish to have prayed for during the service.
- 4. Have all TVs, radios, and cell phones turned off.
- 5. Have on the table anything to be blessed (such as an Icon, Cross, etc.).
- 6. Participation is important! Have everyone in the family gather around the table and join in the blessing. Invite neighbors and friends over to be a part of this beautiful tradition as well!

  7. If you need to discuss a personal matter,
  - 7. If you need to discuss a personal matter, this is a good time to do so!

## Home blessings will take place from August 14 through October 14

It would be ideal if he could come on a weekday between 8:30am and 3:30pm. IF this is not possible, certain evening, Saturday, and Sunday times will be available. Fr Dave looks forward to spending this time with your family!



## **DEVOTIONAL PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK**

#### A Prayer for Peace

Almighty God and Creator, You are the Father of all people on the earth. Guide, I pray, all the nations and their leaders in the ways of justice and peace. Protect us from the evils of injustice, prejudice, exploitation, conflict and war. Help us to put away mistrust, bitterness and hatred. Teach us to cease the storing and using of implements of war. Lead us to find peace, respect and freedom. Unite us in the making and sharing of tools of peace against ignorance, poverty, disease and oppression. Grant that we may grow in harmony and friendship as brothers and sisters created in Your image, to Your honor and praise. Amen.

# +++ +++ +++ The Jesus Prayer

(Inhale) O Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of God, (Exhale) have mercy on me, a sinner!

(Repeat until your heart is calm...)

## A prayer for our Neighborhoods

by Archbishop Demetrios of America I pray to you, God, for the families of my neighborhood. Visit them. Throw their troubles out of them and bring hope. Make the daily cares that devour the heart disappear. Present solutions to life's problems. Settle the disturbed relationships among members of different families whom I know or do not know. O Lord, remind the people of our area that You exist, that You are a strong and loving Protector. Keep away, Lord, anything that causes the disappearance of peace from souls, and the escape of sleep from our eyes. Stay a little while more tonight in our neighborhood. Spread peace along with the night. Let the harshness of the day and its struggles not spread over the night. Amen.

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## A Prayer for our Diocesan Clergy

O Lord Jesus Christ, Good Shepherd of Your sheep, light the fire of ardent love in the hearts of all Your priests, that they may ever and in all things seek only Your glory. Remember especially, Lord, our Bishop (name), and our spiritual father (name), and all our diocesan clergy, who are laboring in Your vineyard for the salvation of all those whom You have entrusted to them. Make their lives as holy as the word they preach. Keep them from being discouraged. Hear their prayers for our salvation. Give them wisdom and courage to proclaim Your truth. Make them priests after Your own heart. For You are a merciful God Who loves us and to You we give glory, together with Your eternal Father and Your all-holy, good and life-giving- Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

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#### SPIRITUAL CONSIDERATIONS

Father is available to meet Monday thru Friday from 8:30am to 3:00pm **or** by appointment.

*Online Community*: Please email Fr. Dave to receive the weekly bulletin via email.

**Parish Phone Tree** - Please call Fr. Dave to be added. **Emergency Sick Calls** - Please notify Fr Dave when you or a family member are going into the hospital or having a procedure. He will pray with you and you will receive the Mystery of Holy Anointing (Unction) to be fully prepared.

Mystery of Confession – Opportunities are available after every service, most Saturdays during fasting periods from 11am to 1pm, OR by appointment.

Holy Communion/Eucharist – The reception of the Holy Eucharist is encouraged for all Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared themselves, with fasting from midnight on, regular Confession, and forgiveness for all people. Those who are not Orthodox may receive a blessing from the chalice.

Lapsed Members – You are always welcome home and we want you back! Generally speaking, sincere participation in the Mysteries of Confession, Communion, and regular attendance at the divine services are all that is required to begin parish life anew! See Fr. Dave for specific details.

Parishioners in "good standing" are those Orthodox Christians who, as members of Saint John's Orthodox Church, strive to live according to the teachings of the Orthodox Church; participate in the life of the parish through regular attendance of services, regular reception of Holy Communion and periodic Holy Confession (and receive these Mysteries no less than once a year); if married, having been married in the Orthodox Church; and share their stewardship of their time, talents, and treasures which includes financially supporting the parish.

**Baptisms** – Two God-parents are required, at least one of whom must be Orthodox by faith (and the other a practicing Christian). In the case of infants, the newly-baptized must have one name that is Christian in origin. Parents/grandparents/guardians must also promise to bring the child up in an Orthodox Christian way of life. Please consult Fr. Dave for more details.

Adult Chrismation – New parishioners are always welcome! In the case of adults seeking entrance into the Church, a period of prescribed catechism will be established with Fr. Dave before administration of the Mysteries. An Orthodox Christian sponsor is also required.

*Marriages* – are only solemnized on Saturdays or Sundays. They are not performed during fasting periods and certain Feast Days. Please consult Fr. Dave ASAP for more details (*before* arrangements are made for the hall). It is critical that marriages are blessed in our church.

**Church Funerals** – are provided for practicing Orthodox Christians who are current in their spiritual responsibilities and their stewardship. Otherwise, burial is from the funeral home. The Church does not permit cremation.

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"The cremation of bodies is not a Christian act. It is a custom of modern times. The body of a Christian has been sanctified with the Grace of the Holy Spirit, and as such may not be burned. God did not create our bodies for burning." - Elder Thaddeus of Vitovnica

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#### SECOND PRAYER CORNER

Our Parish Prayer List for

Special Intentions and Other Needs\*
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## A Prayer For The Sick:

O Christ, You alone are prompt to defend us; quickly visit Your suffering servant *name(s)*. Through the prayers of the Theotokos, deliver *him/her/them* from sickness and bitter pain. Heal *him/her/them* so that *he/she/they* may sing to You and always praise You for You alone love us. Amen.

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For the Special Intentions of ... His All Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew, Metropolitan Gregory, Fr. David S., Fr. Myron, Dcn. Michael L., Laura & family, Carlene, Georgia, Eleanora, Mark, Michaleana, Dorell, Donald, Susan, Stephen, David, Anastasia, Nicholas, Cassandra, Alexander, Andrea, Jason, Tyrone, Sarah, Amee, Joshua, John, Kathryn, Rose, Charles, Justin our diocesan seminarians: Nicholas, Dylan, Thomas, Samuel, Timothy, Nicholas, Aydin, Subdeacon Seamus, Nicholas, and our Church Council, Curators, and Relocation Committee: Lawrence, Matthew, Timothy, Theresa, Rich, Gina, Robert, Jane, Mary Jane, Katherine, Kenneth, John, Wendy, Margaret, John, Patricia, John, Todd and for those who labor towards our Community Outreaches ...through the prayers of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker; St. John the Baptist; the Archangels Michael & Gabriel; and the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Marv.

## +++ +++ +++ August Namedays:

Patricia Watson - St Patricia (8/22)

Lawrence Martin - Blessed Laurence, fool-for-Christ at Kaluga (8/23)

Father's sister, Suzanne Verbanick – Holy Martyress Susanna the Virgin (8/24)

Paňi Alexandra Urban - Saint Alexander (8/30 NC) ... May God grant them many and blessed years! +++ ++++

## August Birthdays:

Sharon (Lorenzi) Dzadony (8/2), Robert 'Bobby' Paieski (8/03), Steven Anton (8/4), Joseph Mainolfi, Jr. (8/4), Nicholas Dzambo (8/5), John Gaydos Jr. (8/6), Rylie Elle Winkler (8/7), Diane Labas (8/8), Killian Brozell (8/9), Michael Tongel (8/11), Nicole Martellotti (8/12), Lindsay Matolyak-Ferraz (8/12),

Jim Schrmack (8/12), Jane Gaydos (8/13), Wade Winkler (8/14), Craig Bowser (8/16), Anthony Jesko (Jr) (8/16), Donna Horbal (8/17), Emma Martellotti (8/18), Fr. Paul Herbert's son-in-law, Ernest Pido (8/20), Ana Karen Peña-Juarez (8/21), Maria Urban (8/21), Sophia Urban (8/21), Everly Marie Torchia (8/22), Igumen Patrick (8/23), Renee Mirilovich (8/24), Fr. Michael Kabel (8/27), Meredith Blobner (8/28), Adam Zak (8/28), Lucillia Mainolfi (8/29), Claudia (Herbert) Pido (8/29) ...May God allow them to grow in peace and love all the days of their lives and may He grant them many and blessed years!

For our Catechumens & Inquirers... Tyler, Susan ...through the prayers of St. Paul the Apostle, St. Mary Magadalene, & St. John Maximovitch.

For those preparing for Marriage... Francis & Alexandra, Nicole & Dustin ...through the prayers of Sts. Adrian & Natalia and all Holy Martyrs.

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#### August Anniversaries:

Steve & Elaine Buhonick (8/6)

Robert & Gina Fall (8/6/17)

Ben & Tina Scherer (8/7/82)

Ana Karen & W. Dylan Mushinsky (8/22) Sharon & Ryan Dzadony (8/25/12)

...through the prayers of St. Nicholas Planas

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For Pregnant Mothers... Caitlin (due in September), Mallory (September), Carly (December) ...through the prayers of St. Anna, the mother of the Virgin Mary, and St. Irene Chrysovalantou.

For those serving in the Armed Forces & Civil Authorities... Thomas R. Dzadovsky and Trevor Meegan ...through the prayers of St George, the Great-Martyr & Wonderworker.

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\* This is to be used for the special intentions of our brothers and sisters in Christ and can be inserted as a prayer itself into our daily prayers. Please let Fr. Dave know if you wish to make additions or subtractions (in the case of answered prayers) to our Parish List. The words of the Gospel are true: it is good to pray for one another.

Let this be a place where we lay out our concerns and beg the help of our brothers & sisters in Christ. *This prayer list is NOT limited to only Orthodox Christians*.

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## STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

As summer is here and many will be taking much deserved time away, please do not forget your parish church. Just like at home, the bills still need to be paid whether you are here or not. If you are going to be away from the parish for a week or more, please either mail your stewardship offering in, "catch up" the next time you come, or use the online button on the parish website. Your continued support of the parish is appreciated!

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Stewardship of Treasure Guide  Weekly offering to God through the Sunday Offertory - Will you take a step up?												
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Income	15%	12%	10%	9%	8%	7%	6%	5%	4%	3%	2%	1%
\$200	\$30	\$24	\$20	\$18	\$16	\$14	\$12	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4	\$2
\$300	\$45	\$36	\$30	\$27	\$24	\$21	\$18	\$15	\$12	\$9	\$6	\$3
\$400	\$60	\$48	\$40	\$36	\$32	\$28	\$24	\$20	\$16	\$12	\$8	\$4
\$500	\$75	\$60	\$50	\$45	\$40	\$35	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5
\$600	\$90	\$72	\$60	\$54	\$48	\$42	\$36	\$30	\$24	\$18	\$12	\$6
\$700	\$105	\$84	\$70	\$63	\$56	\$49	\$42	\$35	\$28	\$21	\$14	\$7
\$800	\$120	\$96	\$80	\$72	\$64	\$56	\$48	\$40	\$32	\$24	\$16	\$8
\$900	\$135	\$108	\$90	\$81	\$72	\$63	\$54	\$45	\$36	\$27	\$18	\$9
\$1,000	\$150	\$120	\$100	\$90	\$80	\$70	\$60	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
\$1,100	\$165	\$132	\$110	\$99	\$88	\$77	\$66	\$55	\$44	\$33	\$22	\$11
\$2,000	\$300	\$240	\$200	\$180	\$160	\$140	\$120	\$100	\$80	\$60	\$40	\$20
\$3,000	\$450	\$360	\$300	\$270	\$240	\$210	\$180	\$150	\$120	\$90	\$60	\$30
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