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## **Educational Prayer Corner:**

Wisdom from the Optina Elders.

"How good it is to be in church to hear the holy prayers, the chanting, and the psalms and other sacred prayers! Of course, the reader cannot grasp everything, but if just one thought makes an impression, that is good." St. Nikon.

## August Celebrations and Observances:

1st – John Gima-Memory eternal! • 15th – Donna Witek-Namesday 16th – Robbie Carrelle and Daria Armstrong-Birthday • 17th – Subdeacon Will & Julie Cohen-Wedding anniversary!; Annette Schlasta-Birthday.

 $21st-JoAnne\ Huddy-Birthday\ \bullet\ 27th-Elizabeth\ Perechinsky\ \&\ Ruth\ Brown-Birthday$ 

31st – Fr. Dan & Mat. Mary Geeza and Gail & Andrew Capalong-Wedding anniversary.

Collections: Weekly: \$301. Loose: \$4. Tithe: \$685. 2<sup>nd</sup> collection (Charity): \$102.

What is Orthodox Christianity? This PowerPoint multimedia presentation completed by St. Tikhon's graduate Fr. Daniel Mackay is available to view. It is a three part slideshow that aims to: 1) Answer the question for a contemporary American audience with some familiarity of Christianity and 2) offer some basic orientation for those who may be exploring Orthodox Christianity.

Part One: "The Teachings of Christ" (running time 40 minutes): <a href="https://vimeo.com/133268270">https://vimeo.com/133268270</a>

Part Two: "Falling Away From Christ" (running time 45 minutes): <a href="https://vimeo.com/132086893">https://vimeo.com/132086893</a>

Part Three: "The Life in Christ" (running time 40 minutes): <a href="http://vimeo.com/132791183">http://vimeo.com/132791183</a>

## Coffee Hour Schedule:

**August 30:** Community Potluck (non-fasting). Everyone welcome!

September 6: Regular Coffee Hour (non-fasting). Scochin & Skorupa. Everyone welcome!

September 13: Regular Coffee Hour (non-fasting). Rolls only. Please see if you can help out.

~Bulletins for August IMO Nicholas Meholic. ~



All Saints Orthodox Church August 30, 2015

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**SUNDAY – August 30, 2015** 

**EPISTLE:** 1 Cor. 16:13-24 **GOSPEL:** Matthew 21: 33-42

Saints of the Day: St. Alexander, Patriarch of Constantinople

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A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS... We are pleased to have visitors worship with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your experience in our services. In the Orthodox Church, the reception of Holy Communion is a mark of membership in the Church. Only those who have been united to the Orthodox Church through Baptism and Chrismation, having prepared themselves through Confession, prayer and fasting, are permitted to partake of Holy Communion. However, all are welcome to share in the blessed bread at the end of the service.

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#### The following Troparia and Kontakia are sung after the Little Entrance:

Resurrectional Troparion--Tone 4) When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy resurrection; they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: Death is overthrown; Christ God is risen granting the world great mercy.

(All Saints Troparion--Trinity-St. Sergius Monastery Chant) As with fine porphyry and royal purple, Thy Church has been adorned with Thy martyrs' blood shed throughout all the world. She cries to Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy bounties on Thy people, grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; (Resurrectional Kontakion--Tone 4) My Savior and Redeemer, as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. (Steadfast Protectress Kontakion--Tone 6) Steadfast Protectress of Christians, Constant Advocate before the Creator; despise not the entreating cries of us sinners, but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you!

We pray to the Lord in His great mercy to visit and heal our brothers and sisters who are in need:

## Schedule for the week:

**TODAY** \*\*Divine Liturgy

\*\*Regular Coffee Hour and Fellowship downstairs after Liturgy. All welcome!

Saturday, September 5th Confession 3:30 p.m.; Vespers, 4 p.m.

#### Announcements

September 1st, 2015. Start of Liturgical New Year.

Church School meeting: This will be with teachers September 13<sup>th</sup> after coffee hour. Anyone is welcome. We will go over church school calendar.

The church school needs another teacher for the Church School program. See Fr. Paul.

**Church school to start by September 20th.** Please pick up a registration form for your child and return to Fr. Paul as soon as you are able. The form is on the candle desk.

**Looking ahead**: Monthly Fall Education Lecture series with Paul Witek (9/26), Will Cohen (10/17) & Fr. Dan in November.

**October Food Festival, with the start of our Basket raffle**. The dates are the 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>. Start thinking about a theme basket to make and bring! Our baskets last year were very beautiful and creative.

**The Lackawana Heritage Apartments** located in Olyphant is now accepting applications for housing designed for 62 or older senior citizens, handicapped or disabled individuals. For more information, please call 570-383-6260.

Extra coloring icons & word searches for fun for all ages located in foyer. Please help yourself!

Inquirers class by request. See Fr. Paul. Fr. Hopko's Rainbow Series is a great start.!

**Canned Food Collection:** Please bring in canned goods and non-perishables. We currently have some community families who are in need. Food collection is located near entrance to social hall.

**Perogies:** Available for purchase Friday 9-11:30 a.m., Sunday 11-12.