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March 18, 2007

Fourth Sunday of Great Lent - Tone 7. Commemorating Saint John Climicus; Saint Cyril, Archbishop of Jerusalem; Martyrs Trophimus and Eucarpus of Nicomedia; Venerable Aninas of the Euphrates and Repose of Saint Nicholai of Zhicha.

Readings: Epistles: Hebrew 6:13-20; Ephesians 5:9-19
Gospels: Mark 9:17-31; Matthew 4:25-5:12

8:00 a.m.—Orthodox Radio on AM 720 WW II

9:00 a.m.—Church School Classes

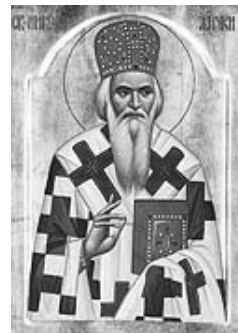
9:30 a.m.—Prayers of Repentance, Confessions

9:40 a.m.—Reading of the Third and Sixth Hours

10:00 a.m.—Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, Sermon, Student and Senior A cappella Choirs

11:45 p.m.—Fellowship

5:00 p.m.—Deanery Lenten Vespers at Holy Ascension (Lykens)



Calendar:

Mar 19, Mon: Parish Council Meeting—7:00 p.m.

Mar 21, Wed: Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete—7 pm

Mar 22, Thu: Pan-Orthodox Bible Study at Holy Trinity Cathedral

Mar 23, Fri: Confessions—6:00 p.m.; Pre-Sanctified Divine Liturgy—7:00 p.m.; Lenten Supper—8:30 p.m.

Mar 24, Sat: Confessions—9:00 a.m.; Pascha Bread baking at Terrenetti's—9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy—9:30 a.m.; Vespers—7:00 p.m.

Mar 25, Sun: 5th Sunday of Great Lent; 720 AM Radio—8:00 a.m.; Church School—9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy—10:00 a.m.; Fellowship—11:45 a.m.; Deanery Lenten Vespers in Mt. Carmel—5:00 p.m.

Mar 26, Mon: Nut Roll Baking Set up—9:00 a.m.

Mar 27, Tue: Nut Roll Baking—8:00 a.m.; Church Choir rehearsal—7:30 p.m.

Mar 28, Wed: Nut Roll Baking—8:00 a.m.; Akathistos—7:00 p.m.

Mar 29, Thu: Pan-Orthodox Bible Study at Holy Trinity Cathedral

Mar 30, Fri: Confessions—6:00 p.m.; Pre-Sanctified Divine Liturgy—7:00 p.m.; Lenten Supper—8:30 p.m.

Mar 31, Sat: Lazarus Saturday; Confessions—9:00 a.m.; Nut Roll Pick Up—9:00 a.m. to 12 Noon; Divine Liturgy—9:30 a.m.; Vigil of Vespers with Matins—7:00 p.m.

Today's Prayers: Please remember those mentioned here in your daily prayers in the morning and in the evening, at home and in church. The detailed prayer list is published once a month in the parish mailing. However, the names will be mentioned during the Liturgy of Preparation every Sunday. Parishioners are urged to update or delete their prayer listings.

Those Ailing: **Mary Guise**, hospitalized, friend of John R. Barns; **Eugene Telep**; **Ruth Rogoff**, neighbor and friend of Katharine Macut; **Anastasia Volk**, niece of Evelyn Krempasky and her newborn child **William Nicholas**; **Helen Osuch**; **Lucy Koloski**; **Barbara Toporcer**, aunt of Dorothy Sysak; **Florence Chidylo**, cousin of Evelyn Krempasky; **Margaret Olaf**; **Margaret Yawkey**—Hershey Medical Center; **Robert Michael Snyder**, brother of Evelyn & George Krempasky; **Nancy Sheaffer and William Sheaffer**; **Mary Hoffman**; **John Fatich**; **Roberta Cona**; **John Caba**; **Carol Boyer**; **Alex Kuzupas**; **Mary Essock**; **Nina Shvartsakh**; **Joe Krajsa**; **Eva Kondratick**; **Tanner Carmen**; **Alexander Galvin**; **Gregory Burch**;

Health and well-being of: **SSG Kevin Leonhard** in Iraq, friend of the Hancher's, **Steve Fecho**, **John Parson** and **Stanley Seitzinger** from the Hancher family; **Andrea Atkins**, **Brianna Atkins**, **Anna Thompson**; **Michael Egan**, Anna Doray's son-in-law, who is being deployed to Iraq; **Nicholas Serio**, in Iraq; **Katherine Pilc**; **Russ Sass**;

Newly Departed from This Life:

John Oleska—Mar 14th, Camp Hill; **Helen Sass**, 92, Wiconisco—Mar 1st, **Reiad Danfora**, 16, Columbia, son of Donna (Esis) Danfora; **George Malinich**—Feb 14th;

Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life:

Oliver (Gregory) Wendell Allen, today is the 18th anniversary;

Stephen Kalenevitch, father of Elaine M. Kalenevitch, today is the 7th anniversary;

Zella Sutovich, mother of Nicholas Sutovich, Jr., today is the 4th anniversary;

Peter Kanoff, March 19th is the 17th anniversary;

Katherine Costopoulos, March 19th is the 1st anniversary;

George S. Klipa, husband of Marilou Klipa, March 22nd is the 8th anniversary;

Sophie Fatich, sister of Mrs. Janet Kuzupas, March 22nd is the 1st anniversary;

FUNERAL: Patrice Taleff's father, **John Oleksa**, 79, of Camp Hill, passed away on Wednesday, March 14, 2007 in the West Shore Health & Rehabilitation Center, Camp Hill. A Mass of Christian Burial was held Tues, March 20, 2007 in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Camp Hill, with the Very Rev. Paul C. Helwig as celebrant.

Candle Offerings: (We do not use decorated candles during Lent and Holy Week)

Two large Lenten beeswax candles beside the center table are offered in memory of **Stephen Macut**, by his wife Katharine. March 17th was the 13th anniversary of **Stephen's** departure from this life.

Many Years (Names for the singing of MANY YEARS after the Sunday Divine Liturgy will be accepted for publication in the weekly bulletin. Please email ctsocahbg@aol.com with the information.)

Eli Mioff is celebrating his birthday on **today**.

Salwa Shunnara will celebrate her birthday on **March 16th**.

Betty Pellegrini will celebrate her birthday on **March 19th**.
Susan Dotsey will celebrate her birthday on **March 21st**.
Matushka Sophie Majmudar will celebrate her birthday on **March 22nd**.
Joseph Russian will celebrate his birthday on **March 22nd**.

Marina Cameron will celebrate her birthday on **March 23rd**.
Philip Spaseff will celebrate his birthday on **March 23rd**.
Meriam Geguchadze will celebrate her birthday on **March 24th**.

CELEBRATING her 100th birthday on Sunday **March 25th** is Mrs. Olga Warhol, Father Dan's aunt who lives in Medford, New Jersey with a daughter. The Ressetar's from Harrisburg will join the rest of the family in the early afternoon.

CELEBRATING her 95th birthday on Tuesday **March 27th** is Mrs. Helen Kurylo, our parishioner. Send her a birthday card at 827 Herman Drive, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

CELEBRATING his 80th birthday on Tuesday **March 27th** is Father Daniel Ressetar!

From Father Seraphim



Help Defeat the White Witch *today* in the Fellowship Hall!

Kids, parents, and everyone are invited to join Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy for a showing of the recent film *The Chronicles of Narnia*. Eat ice pops during the snow scenes, Turkish Delight with Edmund, and other goodies. A short talk with Father Seraphim on the symbolism of C.S. Lewis' masterpiece to follow.

Extra Credit:

Join an adult discussion of the themes in *Narnia* on **Saturday, March 24**. Immediately following the Fellowship Hour after the Divine Liturgy

Mysteries of Genesis:

***How could the sun have been created *after* the green plants?**

***How could there have been enough water in the world to flood the whole earth?**

***Where did Adam and Eve live after they were expelled from Eden?**

Some folks have expressed interest in learning more about the six days of creation. Since the Church prescribes readings every weekday in Lent from the book of Genesis, it is a wonderful time to dig into the teaching of the holy fathers on this subject. There is an EXCELLENT book for this purpose:

Genesis, Creation & Early Man, edited by Fr Seraphim Rose of blessed memory. In it, Father Rose presents key teachings from St Basil, St John Chrysostom, St Ambrose and many others, in a verse-by-verse commentary on the first six chapters of Genesis. This is profound reading, yet very accessible. There are many other articles in the book, especially dealing with the question of evolution and other key "scientific" arguments of our time.

The book is definitely worth the expense! It can be ordered used through Amazon for roughly \$20; there may also be used copies available through eBay or bookfinder.com Happy reading!

PASCHA TRANSFORMS WOLFMAN TOM

The True Story of a Repentant Murderer, a booklet that has been distributed at our church and at St Herman's in Shillington the past few weeks, has been a sensation. The book is in demand. As a gift to the parish, Fr Seraphim donated 30 at \$5 each. But we need more. So, 100 have been ordered at a discount from St Anthony's Greek Orthodox Monastery in Arizona, funded by our outreach fund.

Every parishioner who can read in English should read this book. One person said it took 45 minutes to read; two other said it took only about an hour. After you read and share this booklet, please return it to church for further sharing. More than a few Protestants have said they were very blessed to read this amazing true story! Thank you!

TODAYS NEWS

DEANERY LENTEN MISSION VESPERS today will be held at Holy Ascension Church in Lykens at 5 p.m.

Directions to Holy Ascension Church, Lykens: Take Rte I-81 North to the Tower City Exit #107 and go west onto Rte 209, upon entering Lykens, make a right onto 2nd Street. The church is at 756 North 2nd Street.

DEAR FRIENDS at Christ the Saviour Church: We have received your gift & we thank you. May God reward you. May He bless you at this Lenten season and always! And please accept our thanks as well. We rejoice and thank God and you that you have helped us...[just like St. Nicholas helped those in need]! *The Mihalick's*

THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE has issued a new address for our parish (church, hall and rectory): 5501 Locust Lane, 17109-5603 is being diverted by the USPS computer system in Tennessee to 5501 Locust Street, 17112-3006.

Our "**new**" address is 5501 **Old** Locust Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17109-5637. All our mail is being forwarded to our property, sometimes a day late. All our letter heads and envelopes will gradually phase into this changed address.

PARISH NEWS

ST MARY ALTER GUILD - SALES DESK: The Sales Desk is open every week after Liturgy during fellowship hour. Please visit the sales desk for your religious article needs. The following items are always available: Christ the Saviour Church Icon Books, Icon cards, 35th Anniversary commemorative ornaments, and our parish cookbook. An assortment of icons and crosses are available in many price ranges, as well as auto shrines, prayer books, greeting cards, CDs and cassettes, and assorted gift items. Copies of the book "Do Something Beautiful for God" by Fr. Conaris being used by the Adult Church School class are also available.

NEW: Once again we have Egg pendants and lapel pins available for Pascha and soon we will have Pascha cards created by Ellen Miller. Please see Evelyn Krempasky.

NUT ROLL BAKING: The parish will be baking walnut, poppy seed and apricot rolls for Pascha. Set-up will be on Monday morning, **March 26 at 9:00 a.m.** Baking will be done on Tuesday, **March 27** and Wednesday, **March 28 at 8:00 a.m.** each day. Help is needed not only for baking, but also for bagging in the afternoon and clean-up in the evening. Please try to come and help for this big parish project.

REMINDER: Nut roll orders are being taken for walnut, poppy seed and apricot rolls for Pascha. The cost is \$9 per roll. Please see or call Jean Dotsey (566-0395) or Dotty Fedetz (652-3264) by **this Tuesday, March 20**. Please understand that if you call after this date, you may not be able to have your order filled.

PASCHA BREAD ORDERS: The Men's Club is now taking orders for Pascha breads. The cost is \$5 per loaf, and they can be ordered either with white raisins or plain (without raisins). Please see Josh DiFlorio or John Dotsey to place your order.

MEN'S CLUB SOUP SALE – the Men's Club is selling homemade soup during fellowship hour. The \$1 donation goes to our Lenten charity project, The Smile Train. This organization provides operations for disadvantaged children with cleft palates around the world. Our \$250 donation will provide an operation for a needy child. Please support this worthwhile project.

OLD CELL PHONES are being collected by the Junior "O" Club. Bring them to church.

PUSSY WILLOW branches are budding the last few days due to warmer weather. If you have access to these bushes, clip them, place in a cool dry place and then bring to the parish hall patio and place on the shelf. Palm Sunday this year is on April 1st for both Western Easter and Orthodox Pascha.

FUTURE EVENTS

Mar 25th Sun: Frackville Deanery Lenten Mission Vespers at 5 p.m. at St. Michael's Church located in Mt. Carmel.

Mar 26th, Mon: Men's Club meeting has been changed to **April 9th** at **7:30 p.m.**

"IN NEED OF HELP: Fr. Michael Mihalick is a priest in the Orthodox Church of America. Throughout his priestly ministry, he cared for those sick in soul and body. Now, due to an aggressive form of Multiple Sclerosis, he has had to retire from active ministry. At 56 he can no longer care for himself or his family. Fr. Michael unable to walk or talk very well, cannot even eat by himself and needs constant care by his wife who is unable to work either having her own medical problems, and does not have health insurance. They need help to pay for health insurance and bills. I am sure they will be grateful for any donations and it would be most appreciated. During this time of Great Lent, let us open our hearts to help those in need. Donations can be sent to: Janet Mihalick, 323 Nees Avenue, Johnstown, PA 15904 or can be routed through Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church, P.O. Box 179, Bishopville, MD 21813 (please mark donations sent to the church "Mihalick Support"). Thank you."

Martyr Eucarpion of Nicomedia – Commemorated on today...March 18:



The Holy Martyrs Eucarpion and Trophimus were soldiers at Nicomedia during the persecution against Christians under the emperor Diocletian (284-305). They distinguished themselves by their great ferocity in carrying out all of the emperor's decrees.

Once, when these soldiers had caught up with some Christians, they suddenly saw a large fiery cloud which had come down from the sky, thickening in form as it drew close to them. From out of the cloud came forth a Voice: "Why are you so zealous in threatening My servants? Don't be deluded! No one can suppress those believing in Me through their own strength. It is better to join them and discover the Heavenly Kingdom yourselves."

The soldiers fell to the ground in fright, not daring to lift up their eyes, and only said to one another, "Truly this is the great God, Who has manifested Himself to us. We would do well to become His servants." The Lord then spoke saying, "Rise up, repent, for your sins are forgiven." As they got up, they beheld within the cloud the image of a Radiant Man and a great multitude standing about Him.

The astonished soldiers cried out with one voice, "Receive us, for our sins are inexpressibly wicked. There is no other God but You, the Creator and true God, and we are not yet numbered among Your servants." But just as they spoke this, the cloud receded and rose up into the sky.

Milestone Underscores Achievement as Preeminent Humanitarian Aid Organization for Orthodox Christians

Baltimore (IOCC) – International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), founded in the midst of the historic upheavals of the end of Communism in Eastern Europe and the Balkan Wars, will mark its 15th anniversary on March 10, 2007. Today, with eleven field offices around the world, IOCC continues to be the preeminent philanthropic arm of North American Orthodox Christians as it responds to crises wherever they occur—Lebanon, Indonesia, Ethiopia, the Holy Land, and the U.S. Gulf Coast.

"IOCC, which first received our Apostolic blessing and mandate in 1992, has gone out in the Name of Christ and in the spirit of Orthodoxy to 33 countries and delivered more than \$250 million in emergency aid and development programs," says His Beatitude Metropolitan HERMAN, the Primate of the Orthodox Church in America. "We redouble our patronal blessing upon IOCC, the fruit of our brotherly unity and the future of Orthodoxy in America," he continued.

"As we mark this 15th anniversary milestone, we thank God and every one of our church leaders, donors, board members, volunteers, and staff who have helped IOCC expand throughout the world and increase our services by the tens of millions of dollars," says Executive Director and CEO Constantine M. Triantafilou. "We look forward with a strategic plan that will allow us to expand our disaster relief and development programs in Africa, the Middle East, and South Asia and right here in the U.S.," he continued.

Today, IOCC's full portfolio of programs includes community development and mobilization, refugee return and assistance, micro-credit and one-time start up capital, agriculture and food production, disaster and emergency relief, education and training, youth development and services, social welfare, shelter construction and repair, and gifts-in-kind programs.

The organization will be marking its anniversary by paying tribute to its founders, supporters and partners in events held by its Metropolitan Committees throughout the United States. IOCC was founded in 1992 as the official humanitarian aid agency of the SCOBA.

Help Make A Difference This Lent!

Does your home keep you warm and dry? For thousands of Mexican families, "home" is a crude dwelling that leaves them susceptible to the elements. Babies and elderly DIE when it rains. Also, countless children roam the streets – orphaned, abandoned or abused. With your help, we can make a difference. Since 1988, over **6,900 Orthodox youth** have helped Project Mexico build **more than 130 homes** for poor families. **Award-winning St. Innocent Orthodox Orphanage** provides a **loving and caring home** for orphan teenage boys. There's still so much to do! Your support this Lent can help. Learn more at www.projectmexico.org.



"Give something however small to the one in need; for it is not small to one who has nothing; neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could."
–St. Gregory of Nazianzus

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