



# CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Sunday June 15, 2008*

PENTECOST SUNDAY —TONE 7. FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY. Prophet Amos. St. Jonah, Metropolitan of Moscow. Ven. Gregory and Cassian, Abbots of Avnezhk. Martyrs Vitus, Modestus, and Crescentia, at Lucania. Martyr Dulas of Cilicia. St. Dulas the Passion-bearer, of Egypt. St. Jerome of Stridonium. Translation of the Relics of St. Theodore the Sykeote. Rt. Blv. Lazarus, Prince of Serbia. St. Ephraim, Patriarch of Serbia. Bl. Augustine, Bishop of Hippo.

Epistle: **Acts 2:1-11**

Gospel: **John 7:37-52; 8:12**

## UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

**June 15, Sun: Pentecost. Divine Liturgy & Kneeling Vespers - 9:30am** (*Beginning of the Summer Schedule*);

Fellowship – 11:30 pm. Baptism of Sumer Royer – 3pm.

*Hours Readers: Joseph Russian (3<sup>rd</sup>) & Nick Zuro (6<sup>th</sup>)*

**June 16, Mon: Holy Spirit Day. Divine Liturgy – 9:30am** (*Please update your calendars*)

**June 18, Wed:** Christian Education Class Cancelled. Will resume Wednesday June 25<sup>th</sup>.

**June 19, Thu:** "O" Club Mtg. @ Church Hall – 7pm; Softball – 8pm. *Bible Study on Summer time leave.*

**June 21, Sat:** Schilling-Hayden Baptism 12pm; Vespers and Confession – 6pm.

**June 22, Sun:** Divine Liturgy 9:30am, also special presentation honoring our graduates; Fellowship – 11:30pm; Softball – 7:30pm

*Hours Readers: Paul Miller (3<sup>rd</sup>) & John Osuch (6<sup>th</sup>)*

**June 23, Mon:** Vespers and Litya (Nativity of St. John the Baptist) – 7pm.

**June 24, Tue:** Divine Liturgy (Nativity of St. John the Baptist) – 9:30am. Parish Council Mtg. – 7pm.

**June 25, Wed:** Nut Roll Baking – 8am; Christian Education Class – 6pm.

- **Orthodox Radio** on 720 AM Radio every Sunday at 8 am
- **AncientFaithRadio.com** - 24 hour Orthodox Internet Radio

**Welcome to our visitors!!!** Please join us for fellowship in the Church Hall and be sure to sign our guest registry in the vestibule before you exit the church. **Please note:** Only those guests who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves through fasting, prayer, and confession may approach to receive the Eucharist.

**Prayer List:** Please remember the following persons during your daily morning and evening prayers. **Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless otherwise requested.** Submit names to the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

**Those Ailing:** Richard Howe (Elizabeth's husband); Sue Wolfe; Peter Lalic; Pauline Lapinsky (Janet Kuzupas' sister); Mary Young; Paul Pellegrini; Renee Symcak (D. Hanchers wife); Jenny Sysak (Harry's sister in law); Christine Demchak (Suzanne's sister); Susan Strenski (Janet Kuzupas' sister); Maksym & Pelagia Szewczyk; Bobbie Heberle (Jean Dotsey's mother); John Fatich (Janet Kuzupas' brother); Alexander Kalenak (Anna Doray's brother); Theodore Bacha (Lydia Mantle's brother); M. Olga Kovach

**Health and well-being of:** Pat Drebot; John Osuch, Sr.; Fr. David & M. Tamara Cowan (traveling to Russia for adoption); Fr. Deacon Bob & Marie Kuchta; Bret, Danny & Christie Challenger; Marie & Joe Reba & family; Kathy Kuchwara (traveling); Joe Unitas (Nick Pestrock's friend); Gloria Maliniak; Alexei Schmidt ('adopted' Seminarian) [CATECHUMENS] Mark, Christina, Gabriella Yerke [IN IRAQ]; Fr. George Hill (Orthodox Army Chaplain); SFC Bill Donner (Libby Hancher's nephew); Nicholas Serio; Steven Hampson (Krempasky family friend); Brandon John Onufer (Evelyn's grandson); Andrew Zuzulock (Kathy Pankiw's nephew)

**Newly Departed from This Life:** Helen Tatusko – June 11; **Presb. Metaxia Papademetriou** (wife of Fr. Spyridon of Reading) – June 5; **Rosiland Hey** (grandmother of E. Krempasky's son-in-law) – June 1; **Edward Brzuchlaski** (friend of Kuchta's and Brown's) – May 31; **Protodeacon John Federoff** – May 30; **Eli Hancher** (Ron's brother) – May 24; **Helen Petak** – May 22; **Daniel Erdelyan** (cousin of M. Theodora)

**Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life:** **Anna Mihalo**, sister of +Millie Wolfe, June 15 – 15<sup>th</sup>; **Angela G. Georgias**, June 15 – 8<sup>th</sup>; **Barbara Challenger** (Eleanor Herman's cousin), June 16 – 1<sup>st</sup>; **Anna Sumple**, mother of Basil Sumple, June 16 – 29<sup>th</sup>; **Rose Marie Komernicky**, June 17 – 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Theodore Starinshak**, brother of Elizabeth Hancher, June 18 – 24<sup>th</sup>; **John Essock**, +Mary Essock's husband, June 21 – 14<sup>th</sup>; **Sophie Mischak**, mother of Dottie Sysak, June 21 – 13<sup>th</sup>; **Vladimir Kowalczyk**, Father John's father, June 21 – 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Candle Offerings:** For information on how to purchase commemoration candles, please go to the candle desk or speak with one of the vestrymen.

**Decorated Candle by the Icon of Christ** is offered in memory of **Andrew Hornack, Sr.**, by his daughter Evelyn Onufer.

**Many Years:** Names will be accepted for each week. Please submit to [ctsocahbg@aol.com](mailto:ctsocahbg@aol.com) by the preceding Wednesday for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin.

**Birthdays:** **Michael Zart** - June 14; **Jo-Ann Nesko** - June 16

**Graduation:** **Anastasia Drebot**, granddaughter of Pat Drebot, (Halifax Academy) – June 6

## TODAY'S NEWS



**Happy Father's Day:** In honor of the grandfathers, godfathers, and fathers of our parish, the "O" Club is distributing Pentecost Green colored carnations to all of the men of our parish. **It takes a real man to be a "father"**. May God bless them and grant them many years!

**Softball Results and Upcoming Games:** Record 5-6. The team plays this Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 8pm at Veterans Field (off Elmerton Ave). Please come out and support the team!

**Thank You:** The Hancher family would like to thank their parish family for the prayers and cards for the recent passing of Ron's brother Eli, as well as the illness of his brother Anthony. May God bless you all!

**Birth Announcement from Jordan:** On Orthodox Good Friday April 25, 2008 our family was blessed with the arrival of our baby boy Najib. He was born at 6:pm Jordan time, 9lbs & 20.5 inch. Mother and Baby are doing well. With all our love - Haitham & Luna Ayoub.

**High school & College Graduates:** Parents and/ or students are asked to **provide a photo and the following information:** School Graduated From and Date; and Future Plans; as well as the name of the students Parent's to the church office **by next Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>** so we can honor our graduates following Divine Liturgy on Sunday June 22. **Please do so ASAP. We don't want to forget anyone!**



## OTHER NEWS

**Special Nut Roll Sale** – St. Mary's Altar Guild is having a special nut roll sale in June. All proceeds will go toward the St. Tikhon's Married Student Housing Project. **Orders will be taken until Sunday, June 15.** Pick-up will be Saturday, June 28 (Noon – 3:00 pm) and Sunday, June 29 after church. Please see or call Jean Dotsey (566-0395) to place an order.

**Special Pirogi Sale** – The "O" Club will be selling pirogies on Sat. June 28<sup>th</sup> and Sun. June 29<sup>th</sup> to benefit the St. Tikhon's Married Student Housing Project. The expected 90 doz. pirogies are being sold on a first come, first serve basis... so come earlier and tell your friends!

**"O" Club Yard Sale** – This year the Yard Sale will be held on Sat. July 26<sup>th</sup> from 7am – Noon. Your donations of "gently used" i.e. good items is again being requested. Please – No junky stuff or trash (the bad stuff ends up costing us for disposal). Items can be brought to the lower covered area of the Church Hall **AFTER** July 4<sup>th</sup>. Please do not bring items before that date, due to our various activities!

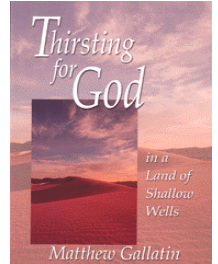
**John (Evan) Mosser's Baptism** – Eric and Elise Mosser are inviting their extended parish family to join them to celebrate the Baptism and Chrismation of their son John (Evan), on Saturday June 28<sup>th</sup> at 11am, here at Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church. **PLEASE, if you plan on attending the luncheon, which will follow the service, RSVP by Friday June 20<sup>th</sup> by calling 473-3201.**

**College Student Pizza Social and Movie Night** – On **Sunday June 29<sup>th</sup> at 4pm** Fr. Stephen would like to invite all college students, as well as those entering their first year at college to the rectory for a pizza and a movie. **Please RSVP by calling 652-1825 by Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup>**. There is no *agenda*... just want to get to know you all a little better!



## *Christ the Saviour Orthodox Book Club*

**Beginning Fall 2008** we will be starting an **Orthodox Book Club** at our parish. The format is pretty simple, each quarter we will read a book, then meet at a parishioners home to discuss it. The host family will serve as moderator and provide a snack – as simple or elaborate as you wish! To **"kick things off"** Fr. Stephen and M. Anna will **host the first meeting at the rectory, Sunday September 21<sup>st</sup> at 6pm**. Light refreshments will be served. The book we will be reading this quarter is called: **"Thirsting for God in a Land of Shallow Wells"** by Matthew Gallatin. 15 copies have been ordered at the price of \$8.95 each. Please see Fr. Stephen to reserve your copy. More copies will be ordered if interest demands.



The description of the book reads: *A best-seller, and an outstanding book that will help Orthodox readers more deeply appreciate their faith and will give Protestant readers a more thorough understanding of the Church. In Thirsting for God, philosophy professor Gallatin expresses many of the struggles that a Protestant will encounter in coming face to face with Orthodoxy: such things as Protestant relativism, rationalism versus the Orthodox sacramental path to God, and the unity of Scripture and Tradition. He also discusses praying with icons, praying formal prayers, and many other Orthodox traditions.*

Metropolitan Anthony of Sourozh

“ T H E H O L Y T R I N I T Y ”

*Excerpt from a talk 10.11.1986, Kensington Church Council*

When we speak of ultimate mysteries like the Holy Trinity we must be aware of the fact that we can have a glimpse, perceive something, but that in the end we must face the mysteries with awe, in adoration and worship in deep silence, listening with all our being, our heart and our mind and our will and our very flesh, in order to hear and to perceive. Turning more specifically to the teaching on the Holy Trinity, we must also realize that however great the mystery, however it is beyond our imagination - we could not have invented a God as the one whom we worship in the Christian faith; it is all that we are capable of perceiving...

God does not reveal either Himself or anything about Himself and the created world simply to satisfy our curiosity. If God reveals something to us, it is in order to teach us something about ourselves *singly* and ourselves *as a body, humanity*. And indeed the Russian writer Fedorov, who lived, [and] died... in the 19th century, said that the Holy Trinity is the only prototype of a perfect human society.

And at this point he meets exactly what St Gregory of Nazianze had said centuries before him, when [he] says that it is because God is love that He is One in Three; and because God is One in Three, He is true and perfect, insuperable and triumphant love.

LAST WEEK'S LITURGY ATTENDANCE: 141

