




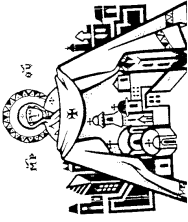
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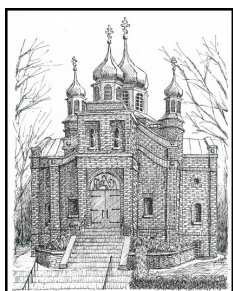
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Charity Ancient Faith Radio 		Sept 30 Festal Vesperal Liturgy 6:00 p.m. followed by Pot Luck Supper	1 Protection of the Theotokos	2 CTDeacony Mtg @ St. Peter's Paul Church, Springfield, MA 7:00 P.M.	3	4 OE Day @ SVS Vareniki workshop 8:00 A.M. !! NO VESPERS !!
5 16th after Pentecost St. Innocent, Apostle to America Divine Liturgy, 9:00 A.M. Coffee Hour – Bartos / Delaney	6	7	8 Visitation, 1:00 P.M. MIDDLEWOODS	9 St. Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow	10	11 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m. Confession
12 17th after Pentecost Church School 8:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy, 9:00 A.M. - Coffee Hour – Kowar / Wagner	13	14	15 Visitation, 1:00 P.M. WALNUT HILL & 1:45 P.M. MONSIEUR BOJINOWSKI MANOR Slavic Dinner Set-up 6:30 P.M.	16 Finance Committee Meeting 7:00 P.M.	17 Stuffed Cabbage workshop 8:00 A.M.	18 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m. Slavic dinner
19 18th after Pentecost Divine Liturgy, 9:00 A.M. Coffee Hour – Everson / Koles	20	21 Visitation, 1:30 P.M. ARBOR ROSE & JEROME HOME	22 Kazan Icon of the Theotokos	23 Apostle James, Brother of our Lord	24 DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY: Dormition Church, Cumberland, RI	25 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m. General Confession
26 19th after Pentecost St. Demetrius of Thessalonika Divine Liturgy, 9:00 A.M. Coffee Hour – Bichun/ Labas / Murr	27 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 P.M.	28 St. Job of Pochaev	29	30 Visitation, 1:00 P.M. CHERRY BROOK	31 New Hieromartyr John Kochurov of Chicago	Greeters - ?? ? ? Cleaners - Belonick/Ludko



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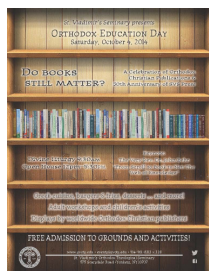
SISTERHOOD FEASTDAY:

We will celebrate the Patronal Feast of the Sisterhood, The Protection of the Theotokos [October 1st] with the Annual Panikhida for Departed Members on Sunday, September 28th and Festal Vespers Liturgy on Tuesday, September 30th at **6:10 P.M.** followed by a Pot Luck supper.



OE Day: Annual Orthodox Education Day (OED) Saturday, October 4th. The theme of this year's Ed Day is "Do Books Still Matter? A Celebration of Orthodox Christian Publications" It is also the 50th Anniversary of SVS Press.

The dean of the seminary, The Very Rev. Dr. John Behr, author of academic, popular, and spiritual works, will be present the keynote: "From Scroll to Book to Net: The Web of Knowledge." The seminary's own publishing house, St. Vladimir's Seminary Press (SVS Press), will receive special recognition on its 50th Anniversary Year; many other Orthodox Christian publishers will be invited onto campus to mark the occasion by exhibiting book displays. Additionally, there will be workshops for children and adults, and a variety of ethnic foods and desserts.



SLAVIC DINNER: Come enjoy wonderful Slavic food & entertainment; Stuffed Cabbage, Pierogi, Kielbasa, Saurkraut, Homemade bread & soup, desert, wine, coffee & tea on Saturday, October 18th following Great Vespers. Tickets available - see or call Marion Bichun, 860-989-3384, Jean Murr 860-747-3589 or Diane Dounouk, 860-667-1878.

DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY: The annual assembly for the Diocese of New England will be held Friday & Saturday, October 24 - 25 at Dormition of the Holy Virgin Church, Cumberland, RI. For registration material for observers, please see Fr. David. Get involved in the life of our diocese.

GENERAL CONFESSION: is normally held on the last Saturday of each month (except for lenten

periods) following Great Vespers. All regular communicants should make every effort to attend each General Confession. General Confession this month will be held on the last Saturday of the month, October 25th.

The October charity collection is for Ancient Faith Radio.

Ancient Faith Radio seeks to deepen and enrich the faith of Orthodox Christians around the world with streaming audio programming, live call-ins, and on-demand podcasts. They feature liturgical music from a variety of Orthodox traditions, as well as prayers, readings, lectures, and interviews.



Ancient Faith Radio is a division of Ancient Faith Ministries, which also operates Ancient Faith Publishing under the auspices of the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America. However, it is a pan-Orthodox ministry and thus serves and supports all jurisdictions.

They offer two 24 hour internet based Orthodox radio stations and also provide an extensive list of downloadable Orthodox Podcasts. Technology has opened the door for a worldwide radio ministry featuring the teachings and music of the historic Orthodox faith. This is a pan Orthodox ministry seeking to serve and support all jurisdictions with clear and concise expressions of the faith.

Their motto, "Timeless Christianity 24 Hours a Day" reflects both the eternity and the daily presence of our Lord Jesus Christ in our midst. Christ is truly in our midst and He truly ever shall be!

Listen to Ancient Faith Radio at its web site -
<http://www.ancientfaith.com>

Please be generous by using the envelopes provided in our monthly mailing. Collection will be taken on the last Sunday of the month.

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PARISH COUNCIL: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Monday, October 27th. All council members are reminded of the schedule change and asked to make every effort to attend the meeting.



Birthdays & Anniversaries in OCTOBER:

4	Barbara Raymond	1937
5	David Bartos	1951
7	Phyllis Bartos	1955
8	Marie Shimchick	1963
15	Peter Sahin	2009
16	Andrew Pulcini	2000
20	Olivia Salina	2003
23	Jennie Skovich	1912
23	Antoinette Rudy	1920
23	Juliana Veek	1984
25	Rosemary Delaney	1951
26	Alex Polzun	1938
27	Stella Liwen	1921
27	Priya Karabin	1981
28	Alicyn Pulcini	1965
30	Jean Murr	1941
7	Patrick & Gale Dilger	1990
14	Brian & Juliana Veek	2012
15	Simon & Mariel Sahin	2004
20	Jason & Amber Fiedler	2002
23	Michael & Jillian Wanik	1988



“WHEN I WAS SICK YOU CAME TO ME”

The following parishioners (and friends) are now home-bound or in long-term care facilities. If there are any names missing, please inform Fr. David. The regular schedule of visitations is included on the monthly calendar. Parishioners are welcomed and encouraged to make regular visitations to nursing homes and shut-ins. Our loved ones **NEED** to feel connected to their parish family.

Middlewoods, Newington
Jennie Skovich

Jerome Home, New Britain
Sadie Albino

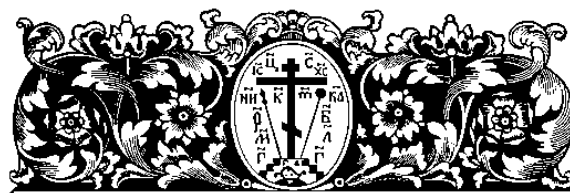
Arbor Rose, New Britain
Nona Belomyzy
Mary Camarata

Monsignor Bojnowski Manor, New Britain
Helen Karabin

Rose Haven - Apple Rehab, Litchfield
Mary Fairbanks

Cherry Brook Health Care Center, Canton
Barbara Raymond

At Home: Jim Dounouk, Michael Horbal, Joseph Kowar, Susan Labas, Stella Liwen, Jennie Pich, Irene Prigodich, Antoinette Rudy and John Steffick.



PARISH DIPTYCHS

Please remember our departed brothers and sisters in your prayers.

Joseph Mannon	37	October	1913
Child John Cherpak	1 day	October	1 1918
Paul Blake		October	2 1959
Peter Fetzko	82	October	2 1991
Anna Makula	94	October	2 2007
Martha Cherpak	24	October	3 1918
Child Anna Hofedalko	1	October	3 1928
Juliana Dubovsky	72	October	3 1966
Alexandria Brown	79	October	3 1990
Mary Fetzko	81	October	3 1997
Stephen Hleschak	49	October	4 1928
Child Zenaïda Shumansky	1 mo	October	5 1906
Julian Hrusha	26	October	5 1915
Lavrenty Baldowsky	56	October	5 1938
Anna Wanik	55	October	5 1952
Walter Karpie	60	October	5 1975
Alexandra Kovalevich	99	October	5 1993
Mary Glowacki	90	October	5 2008
Edward M. Czerwinski	54	October	5 2010
Child Adam Dziamba	4 days	October	6 1909
Peter Kosko	46	October	6 1995
Kashauka Uzefa	36	October	7 1914
Gregory Terasimov		October	7 1914
Mary Hanska	24	October	7 1942
Anna Klotz	84	October	7 1971
John Ludko	84	October	7 1994
Michael Cherpak	29	October	8 1918
Antonina Gelazin	71	October	8 1961
Evgenia Shimchick		October	8 2000
Elizabeth Stankevich	28	October	9 1918
Anton Minchuk	33	October	10 1918
Stephanida Manchuk	23	October	10 1918
Alexander Muchinsky	23	October	10 1919

Stephen Piluten	35	October 11 1918
Andrew Lehman		October 12 1967
John Labas, Sr.	80	October 12 1969
Zenaida Burak		October 12 1987
Sophie Anop	89	October 12 1988
Elizabeth Kuhar	63	October 12 1992
Child Eugenia Chamilov	3 mo	October 14 1915
Carl (Cyril) Schaplak	73	October 14 1972
Peter Anop	53	October 15 1952
Child Peter Licki	5 mo	October 16 1908
George Uhroros	33	October 16 1918
Constantine Likuda	38	October 16 1918
Vera Panasevich	27	October 16 1918
Child Lydia Pyachetsko	5	October 16 1930
Mary Fetzko	74	October 17 1957
Helen M. Spearen	90	October 17 2006
Andrew Belomyzy	53	October 18 1928
Katherine Novick	32	October 18 1954
Barbara Dimnitch	75	October 18 1962
Mary Karpey		October 18 1982
Theodore Urish	33	October 19 1918
Child John Zdanuk	2 mo	October 21 1911
John Panasevich	26	October 21 1918
Mary Alexeef	71	October 21 1960
Wasile Zurawlew		October 21 1979
Olga Ziegler	82	October 21 2001
Theodora Stefik	25	October 22 1949
Irene Dubovsky	65	October 23 1956
Antoinette Sachok	72	October 23 1984
Donna Balkun	55	October 23 2001
Child John Mayopit	1 day	October 25 1908
Ignatius Boytik	57	October 25 1932
Mary Baranov	64	October 25 1954
Nikita Bichun	63	October 25 1960
Eugenia Tilley	63	October 26 1976
Sophie Stankevich	66	October 26 1980
Anastasia Harko		October 26 1985
Michael Bichun		October 26 2000
Simon Pazeychuk	26	October 28 1918
Peter Kunchik	64	October 28 1952
Anatole Zaiko	59	October 28 1973
Nadia Lashenka	67	October 28 1980
Walter Sitkiewicz	59	October 29 1947
Gregory Taran	18	October 30 1908
Sophie Karabin	71	October 30 1958
Gary Allen Karpey	18	October 30 1980
Mary Suski	89	October 30 2006
Joseph Burak	16	October 31 1934
Andrew Golyshko	69	October 31 1958
John Horbal		October 31 1979
Anne Zuk Novack	78	October 31 2008

FEASTDAYS/ SAINTSDAYS IN OCTOBER:

St. Innocent [Glorification] Oct. 6th (1798 - 1879): Born in Siberia, St. Innocent spent his early priesthood as a missionary in Alaska, and later (after the death of his wife), as first resident bishop there. Later in life he came to head the Russian Orthodox Church as Metropolitan of Moscow. He developed an Aleut alphabet and translated the catechism and the Gospel of St. Matthew into that Alaskan language.



St. Tikhon [Glorification] Oct. 9th (1865 - 1925): Presiding Bishop of the Russian Orthodox Missionary Diocese of North America from 1898 - 1907, during which time the Church in America, bolstered by recent immigration of Slavic peoples from Eastern Europe, grew rapidly. In 1907 he returned to Russia serving as archpastor of several dioceses there. In 1918 he was elected Patriarch of the Russian Orthodox Church. Until his death in 1925 he defended the Church, as best he could and knew how, from the Bolsheviks, who had come to power just as he was elected Patriarch. This year marks the 25th anniversary of his consecration.



Archpriest John Kochurov [Repose] Oct. 31st (1871-1917): A missionary priest in Mid-west America from 1895 to 1907, upon his return to Russia he served parishes in the St. Petersburg Diocese. The first clergy martyr under the Bolsheviks; he was shot and killed at the outbreak of the 1917 Revolution.



The Mother of God Joy of All Who Sorrow icon (Oct 24th) revealed itself as a miracle-working icon for the first time in Moscow in 1688. Euphemia, the sister of the patriarch at that time, Joachim, lived in Moscow and suffered since a long time from a severe incurable disease in her side. This exposed her inner organs and she was hardly alive. Once, in her prayer to our Lord Jesus Christ and to His Mother, she heard a voice, instructing her to pray before the icon called Joy of All Who Sorrow in one of the local churches.



The molieben was served and, following it, the icon was brought into her house. Euphemia was sprinkled with holy water. She got well and rose from her bed by herself. This miracle took place on October 24, and a feast to the icon was established to commemorate that event. The Mother of God on this icon is portrayed in full figure with the Christ child in her arms. There is an angel on each side of her, and the faithful with their petitions for help and cure are at her feet. There are numerous recorded cases of divine help to all in need and in

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trouble, to those who suffer from seizure, infirmity in hands, throat diseases, trembling of muscles, stroke, and tuberculosis.

Another miracle took place in the village of Klochka near St. Petersburg, not far from a glass factory, in 1888. An image of the Joy of All Who Sorrow was hanging in the village chapel. The building was struck by lightning, shattering the alms box and charring the chapel walls. The icon Joy of All Who Sorrow was found lying face down on the floor. When it was turned over, the image was found to have become fresh and clear, and coins from the alms box were sticking to its surface. Previously the icon, which had originally been found washed ashore on the Neva River, was dark and obscure. Its "Renewal" was seen as a sign from heaven, and its fame spread. Since then, the icon has been commemorated on July 23rd.



The Protection of the Most-holy Theotokos

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by St. NIKOLAI VELIMIROVICH

From time immemorial, the Church has celebrated the Most-holy Theotokos as the patroness and protectress of the Christian people, who, by her intercessory prayers, implores God's mercy for us sinners. The help of the Most-holy Mother of God has been clearly shown numerous times, to individuals and to nations, in peace and in war, in monastic deserts and in densely populated cities. The event that the Church commemorates and celebrates today confirms the Theotokos' consistent protection of Christian people. On October 1, 911, during the reign of Emperor Leo the Wise, there was an All-night Vigil in the Blachernae Church of the Mother of God in Constantinople. The church was full of people. St. Andrew the Fool-for-Christ was standing in the rear of the church with his disciple Epiphanius. At four o'clock in the morning, the Most-holy Theotokos appeared above the people, holding her omophorion outstretched as a protective covering for the faithful. She was clothed in golden-crusted purple, and shone with an ineffable radiance, surrounded by apostles, saints, martyrs and virgins. St. Andrew said to Blessed Epiphanius: "Do you see, brother, the Queen and Lady of all praying for the whole world?" Epiphanius replied: "I see, Father, and am struck with amazement!" The Feast of the Protection was instituted to commemorate this event, and to remind us that we can prayerfully receive the unceasing protection of the Most-holy Theotokos in any time of difficulty.

REFLECTION

The Most-holy Theotokos has often appeared to holy men in need: sometimes to encourage them in asceticism, or to heal them from sickness, or to reveal a certain mystery to them. Two similar, wonderful events took place in the Great Lavra

on the Holy Mountain. In Great Lent, during the chanting of the Great Akathist, St. John Koukouzelis was tired and sat down, facing the icon of the Theotokos. As he sat, he fell asleep. Just then, the Holy Most-pure One appeared to him in heavenly light and said: "Rejoice, O John! Chant and do not stop chanting, and for this I will not abandon you." With this, she placed a gold coin in John's hand. When he awoke from sleep, the gold coin was still in his hand. After this, many wonderful miracles were worked from the icon of the Theotokos, as well as from the gold coin.

The second incident involved St. Gregory the monk, who, like John Koukouzelis, was a church cantor. Patriarch Kallistos had established that in the Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, "All Creation Rejoices in Thee" be sung in place of "It Is Truly Meet." His successor, Patriarch Philotheus, rescinded this, reinstating "It Is Truly Meet" because of its brevity. But then, on the eve of the Theophany, and in the presence of Patriarch Gregory of Alexandria, St. Gregory sang "All Creation Rejoices in Thee" instead. Immediately after this, the Holy Most-pure One appeared to him, and, as she had done to John Koukouzelis, placed a gold coin in his hand. She said: "I am very grateful for your singing in my honor." Because of this, it was instituted that all Liturgies of St. Basil would thereafter include "All Creation Rejoices in Thee."



What is Christianity and where does the Orthodox Church fit in?

Christianity

Christianity has become so fragmented that it is now almost impossible to summarize what Christians as a whole believe and still be talking about all who call themselves Christians.

However, the Christian faith in the fullness of its traditional manifestation can be said to be based upon the following intuitions and affirmations:

1. There is "defineable," recognizable Truth—relativism is unacceptable. (Truth)
2. Truth finds its ultimate expression in God, the One Who Is—"I am." (Monotheism)
3. God has revealed Himself to Man—His creature—in history in various ways and ultimately through His Son, Jesus Christ. (Incarnation)
4. God has sent His Spirit to be with us until the end of this world when we will be received into His Kingdom if we are found to be His servants. (The Trinity/Eschatology)

What is the Orthodox Church?

The Orthodox Church is the original Christian Church established by our Lord Jesus Christ upon the foundation of the Apostles, Himself being the chief Cornerstone, and enlivened by the Holy

Your commandments. Deal not with me after my sins, but according to Your bountiful mercies, for I am the work of Your hands and You know my weakness.

Grant me, I beseech You, Your divine helping grace, and endow me with patience and strength to endure my tribulations with complete submission to Your Will. You know my misery and suffering and to You, my only hope and refuge, I flee for relief and comfort. Trusting in Your infinite love and compassion, I know that in due time, when You know best, You will deliver me from this trouble and turn my distress into comfort. I shall rejoice in Your mercy and exalt and praise Your Holy Name, of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, forever. Amen.

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Parish Council Meeting 8-25-14

Members in Attendance: Fr. David Koles, Gladys Labas, Nelson Potter, Dave Bartos, Tessa Mah, George Matyczyk, Rosemary Delaney, Alan Hromi, and Nick Kokus.

Meeting Called to Order at 7PM and began with "O Heavenly King."

Pastor's Report:

Calendar Notes:

- September 8 - Nativity of Theotokos as joint service at St. Mary's Ukrainian Church 9:00 am.
- September 13 & 14 Exaltation of The Cross
- September 14 - Church School begins; one session/month
- September 20 - Church School Teachers Conference at Holy Trinity Church, Willimantic.
- September 28 - Annual Sisterhood Panikhida
- September 29 - Festal Vespers Liturgy for Sisterhood nameday 6:10 pm.
- October 24/25 – Diocesan Assembly in Cumberland, RI
- July 20-24 2015 – All-American Council in Atlanta, GA

Service Times: Vespers Liturgy and Presanctified Liturgy will now begin 10 minutes later at 6:10.

Christmas Eve service will be at 4PM

Warden's Report:

Very many school supplies were collected and distributed on Sunday. Unfortunately, there were about 5 children who came later and everything had already been distributed. Coat collection will begin soon.

Damage at cemetery: Gladys spoke to Brian Baker and is she following up with insurance claims, etc. Father David will now be the "point person" to funnel all information and communication through so nothing is overlooked.

Financial Report:

Al Hromi presented June & July figures. June has been audited:

June Income:	\$11,821.05
June Expense:	\$14,014.42
Expense/Income:	-\$ 2,193.37

Nick Kokus motioned to accept June figures. Dave Bartos seconded. Motion carried. July will be approved during September meeting.

July Income:	\$11,509.16
July Expense:	\$12,923.52
Expense/Income:	-\$ 1,414.36

Fair Share was not paid in July, but it was made up for in August. Property insurance was also a big expense for July.

Nelson distributed the Statement of Financial Accounts Balance sheet as of 7/31/14. Although it may look like there is a lot of money (investments), the operating budget (bills, salaries, taxes) had to be covered by other accounts the last two summer months. Discussion followed about transferring some interest from endowment, memorial and cemetery (Merrill Lynch investments) funds to operating budget.

Dave Bartos motioned to direct the finance committee to move up to \$7,000 in interest from Merrill Lynch accounts into Operating Budget Bank of America Checking. Tessa Mah seconded. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report:

Nick Kokus thanked Dan Belonick for recording the minutes from the 6/30/14 meeting.

Correction: under secretary's report, the date should be June 2 not April 28.

Nelson motioned to accept with the change. Al Hromi seconded. Motion carried.

Building and Grounds:

George Matyczyk noted landscaping work is under way:

- Mulching has been completed
 - Bushes planted to hide air conditioners
- Garage has been sided

Finance Committee:

They have met again with Merrill Lynch. Investment policy continues to be drafted.

New Business:

October Charity: Ancient Faith Radio

Slavic Dinner: Saturday, October 18th after vespers (6PM)

Fundraising Ideas:

Brick Fundraiser? - Gladys will distribute a letter to discern interest. Al Hromi will look into the process at another church. Dan Bradanini will check on financial specifics.

Merrill Lynch individual accounts? – discussion about how it would work, and parish interest. More information is needed to take any actions on either idea.

Next meeting:

Monday, September 29th

Submitted by,

Nick Kokus