

ST. MARK'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

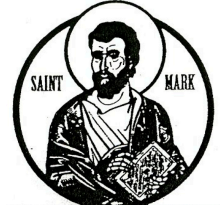
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2014

19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 2. Prophet

Joel (ca. 800 B.C.). Martyr Varus, and with him six Monk Martyrs (ca. 307). Translation of the Relics of Ven. John, Abbot of Rila in Bulgaria (1238). Bl. Cleopatra and her son John, in Egypt (327). Hieromartyr Sadoc (Sadoth), Bishop of Persia, and 128 Martyrs with him (342)

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9

Gospel: Luke 8:5-15

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Confessions:

Saturdays Following Vespers
Also by appointment

**Vespers:
Vigil**

Saturdays at 6pm
Eve of Feasts at 7pm

Divine Liturgy:

Sundays at 9:30am
Feast Days at 9:15am

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sunday, Oct 19:

Hours and Divine Liturgy— 9:10am, Coffee Hour, Church School-Noon, Philadelphia Zoo Trip — 1pm

Tuesday, Oct 21:

Faith and Science: Cosmos and Chaos: Providence, Mathematical Law, and Randomness — 7pm

Wednesday, Oct 22:

Akathist -9:15am. Prison Ministry 7-9pm

Thursday, Oct 23:

Parish Council Meeting — 7pm

Saturday, Oct. 25:

Memorial Saturday Service — 9:30am, Great Vespers followed by Confessions — 6pm

VIGIL LIGHTS:

From Yuliya Staggs

For the Health of:

Larysa, Valeriy, Elena, Polina,
Maxim, Nicholas, Elizabeth, Anatoly, Nick

In Memory of:

Diana, Boris

From the Ristvey Family

For the Health of:

Margaret, George

From Raymonde Djokic

For the Health of:

Zoran, Sasha

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Banns: Robert Sweet and Olga Zelenetskaya will be married at St. Mark's on November 1st at 11am. If anyone knows why this should not take place, contact Fr. Martin.

Coffee Hour: Volunteers needed. Please sign up, as a family or combined with other families.

Craft Fair at The Birches at Newtown. Saturday November 15th 10-2pm. Vendors needed, \$10 to participate, proceeds donated to Alzheimer's Association! Call Kathryn Mac Arthur or Loraine Myers at 215 497-7400.

Institute For Orthodox Thought and Culture: Open House at Eastern University 1300 Eagle Road, St. Davids, Pa. Saturday November 1, 9am to 2:30pm. Proposed Institute to offer a minor in Orthodox Thought and Culture, a cooperative effort of Orthodox faculty, students and clergy in the Greater Philadelphia area. College age students and parents are encouraged to go and see. Brochures in the Vestibule with information on the Open House.

Operation Christmas Child

We hope to fill 20 boxes (last year was 19). Toys, school supplies, hygiene items (toothbrush, mild bar soap, combs, washcloths), T-Shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights with extra batteries. Ages 2-4, 5-9, 10-14. Cash also welcome to pay \$7 shipping for each box. Items may be left in the Vestibule, marked Op. Christmas Child. Deadline is November 2nd.

Orthodox Church in America Assessments: To date 40% of the parish has contributed and 75% of the yearly has assessment has been paid already. If you have not done so, please take care of this as soon as possible.

St. Nektarios of Aegina Relics: From October 17 to 21 the relics of this wonderworking bishop will be at Holy Trinity Romanian Orthodox Church at 714 N. American Street in Philadelphia. The church is open from 8:30am to 8:30pm for veneration.

St. Stephen's Orthodox Cathedral: Annual Ethnic Food Sale, Saturday November 1st, 10am – 1pm.

St. Tikhon's Seminary Annual Fall Lecture Series:

Tuesdays in October. 7pm. \$10/ Individual, \$100/Parish.

October 21: Fr. Joel Weir, *Saved Together: Practical Asceticism and Family Life*

See Bulletin Board for complete schedule.

Scrip Program: Our order for this month yielded \$76.52 for a Year to Date of \$813.36. **The next order will be taken on November 2nd with delivery for November 16. This will be a Black Friday order. December's order will be taken December 7th with delivery on December 14th. See Larissa Ravetto for orders.**

Part-Time Medical Advocate Needed

A warm and loving Newtown-PA elderly couple (husband and wife are members of St. Mark's) seeks a caring, reliable individual to serve as a medical advocate. This person would assist with: scheduling and escorting to medical appointments, interfacing with physicians and insurance around medical issues and billing, and tracking medical needs and medications, among related tasks. Good organizational skills, logic, fluency in English, and follow-through; healthcare certifications a plus, but not required. Number of hours per week is flexible and may vary based on need (estimated average of 5hrs/wk). Compensation competitive. Household environment very pleasant and welcoming. Individual to work closely with son, who is very involved and visits often. Interested? Please contact Toufic Hakim at [215.327.2218](tel:215.327.2218) or to2fic@gmail.com.

Stewardship:



Wrightstown Food Cupboard:

We are focusing on collecting items for Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets. St. Mark's has responsibility for pasta, sauce and baby food. The goal is to prepare 130 baskets for each holiday. So we need **at least** 130 units of pasta, sauce and baby food. "Extra" baby food will be given to families with babies.