

# ST. MARK'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2013

**21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4. St. Gregory the Wonderworker of Neo-Cæsarea (ca. 266-270). Ven. Nikon, Abbot of Rádonezh, disciple of Ven. Sergius (1426). Ven. Lazarus the Iconographer, of Constantinople (ca. 857). Martyr Gobron (Michael) and 133 soldiers, of Georgia (914). Ven. Genadius of Vatopedi (Mt. Athos).**

**Epistle:** Galatians 2:16-20

**Gospel:** Luke 12:16-21



## 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:

**Sun, Nov 17:** Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Fellowship Hour– 11:15am

**Wed, Nov 20:** Akathist to the Iveron Icon and Adult Education – 9:15am, 7PM Vigil for Entrance of the Theotokos

**Thur, Nov 21:** Divine Liturgy for Entrance of the Theotokos – 9:30AM; Parish Council Meeting 7:30PM.

**Sat, Nov 23:** Great Vespers and Confessions – 6pm

**Sun, Nov 24:** Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Fellowship Hour– 11:15am: Parish Revitalization Session.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Food for Sale:** We currently have Kielbasa and Pierogi for sale. Pierogi include Broccoli, Broccoli & Spinach, Spinach, Potato & Cheese and Apricot & Cheese.

**Newly Illumined:** We welcome Mary (Ashley) Hewitt to our parish family and to the Orthodox Church. Mary was Baptized, Chrismated and Communed last weekend, completing a ten-month period of preparation for reception into the Church. If you have not yet done so, offer her a warm welcome on this major step in her life and ours.

**Newly Joined:** We also wish to welcome to St. Mark's Charles and Charla Bendas and their son Nicholas who recently became members of our parish. Please introduce yourself to them and offer them a welcome to our parish community.

**Operation Christmas Child:** Collect and send Christmas gifts to children between the ages of 2 and 14 in Third World countries. Our Parish Youth are collecting donations for this project through **TODAY**. Donations of the following would be greatly appreciated: Scarves, hats, gloves (gently used); Small toys (in good condition): School supplies; Dolls and stuffed animals; Small icons; Hygiene items (deodorant, toothpaste, soap); NO WAR RELATED ITEMS (WEAPONS, ARMY FIGURES, ETC). \$7 donations also needed as each package costs that much to ship. Thank you for your help to these children in need. For further information go to [www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child). **Donations can be left in the vestibule in a box designated for them.**

**Christmas Fast: The Greatest Gift does not have to be shopped for, but is given freely to us by God, if we are prepared to receive Him. Make your Christmas list accordingly.** As an aid to this preparation, we will have a parish retreat on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> offered by Fr. Alexander Golubov, from St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Cathedral in New York, former Academic Dean of St. Tikhon's Seminary. Further details to follow.

**Church School St. Nicholas Celebration:** After Vespers on December 7<sup>th</sup>, the Church School will have a Pizza, Popcorn and Movie night. Adults welcome. Details to follow.

**ORTHODOXY IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE:** A monthly discussion group whose purpose is to assist Orthodox Christians in living out their faith in the public arena will have its next meeting **Tomorrow, November 18 at 7PM**. All are invited.

**Parish Revitalization:** Next meeting for the Parish Health Inventory Model will be **Sunday, November 24 on the topic "Christian Formation"** Please take an icon card of St. Alexis with the prayer for revitalization and pray it daily.

**Scrip Program: This month we raised \$88.09. Our year to date is \$1089.63! Next order date is December 8<sup>th</sup>, the last opportunity before Christmas.** To place orders see Larissa Ravetto, phone (215) 766-1220 or email [ravetto2001@gmail.com](mailto:ravetto2001@gmail.com), or fill out an order form in the vestibule and leave it with payment with Larissa, Julia, Doug, or Jeanette.

## VIGIL LIGHTS:

From the Perdakis Family:

- o **In Memory of**  
Arthur, Evangelia, Ekaterini
- o **For the Health of**  
Stamatina, Arthur, Jr., Donna, Mohamed, Neil, Binny, Maria, Teresa  
Vladimir, Sharon, John, Martin, Christina, Angelo, Patricia, Angela,  
George, Zografia, Raymond

From Judi Rybny:

- o **In Memory of**  
Peter and Helen Muha, Charles & Marie Rybny
- o **For the Health of**  
Scott & Kerri, Anna & Charlie, Joe & Alexis, Max, Buddy

From the Malriat Family:

- o **In Memory of**  
Rev. Robert Myers

From the Sedor Family:

- o **In Memory of**  
Fr. Stephen
- o **For the Health of**  
Peter, Anna, Stephanie

From the John Wanko Family:

**In Memory of**  
Wanda Wanko, Peter Wanko, Peter Wanko, Jr.

From the Pitra Family

**In Memory of**  
Julius, John, George (K.I.A)

**For the Health of**  
James, James, Lyman, "All gave some, some gave all"

From the Gelovani/Gogiberidze Family

**In Memory of**  
Valentina Gelovani + Nov. 15, 2010, Carl, Nino,  
Eugenia, David Gelovani

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