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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 5.

Commemoration of the Miracle of the Archangel Michael at Colossæ. Martyrs Eudoxius, Zeno, and Macarius (311-312). St. Archippus (Arkhipp) of Herapolis. Martyr Romulus, and with him many others (107-115). Hieromartyr Cyril, Bishop of Gortyna (3rd-4th c.). Martyrs Cyriacus, Faustus the Presbyter, Abibas the Deacon, and 11 others, at Alexandria (ca. 250). St. David of Hermopolis in Egypt (4th c.). Hieromartyr Priest Maksym Sandowicz of Carpatho-Rus' (1914).

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Schedule of Service

Confessions: Saturdays Following Vespers

Also by appointment

Vespers: Saturdays at 6pm Vigil Eve of Feasts at 7pm

Divine Liturgy: Sundays at 9:30am

Feast Days at 9:15am

Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am; 40th Day Litya for William Pappas; Coffee Hour; Wedding of Sunday, September 6:

Marina Moser and Max Kaplan - 2pm

Monday, September 7: Great Vespers with Litya for Nativity of the Theotokos – 7pm

Tuesday, September 8: **NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS.** Hours and Divine Liturgy– 9:10am

Wednesday, September 9: Akathist -9:15am. Prison Ministry 7pm Saturday, September 12: Great Vespers and Confessions – 6pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Alive in Christ: The latest issue of our diocesan magazine is available on the diocesan website (doepa.org) or in hard copy in the vestibule for those who do not have access to a computer.

Church Cleaning/Grounds Care:

Thank you to those families and groups who have already served in cleaning the Church and to those who have worked on the grounds cutting grass and renewing the flowerbeds. What can you do to serve? When can you make an offering of time to the Lord for the beauty of His House, inside or out? September and December are available for inside.

<u>Church School:</u> The new Church School year will commence on Sunday, September 13 with a Prayer and Blessing for the beginning of the School Year for all our students, for the success not only of the Church School year but also Public, Private and Home School years. 5 and unders will meet Thursdays at Noon.

<u>Coffee Hour:</u> Volunteers are needed for future weeks. Please sign up on the calendar in the Church Hall.

OCA Assessments: Currently we have paid 57.5% of the annual assessments we are responsible for and have received 28% from the parish.

Parish Council: Had its monthly meeting on August 28th.

Financial Report:

Income - \$8063; Expenses \$8242

Action Items:

- Approved the use of credit cards for Scrip beginning in September.
- Established a Parish Development fund
- Approved purchase of set of laminated icons for use in worship and church school

<u>Scrip Program:</u> Today. We will accept credit cards starting today.

Stewardship:



Parish Development Committee: Met last Monday night and reviewed the work of the past month. Facilities continues to identify and address current issues as well as proposing suggestions for the future. We will distribute a Talent Survey to the parish on the weekend of September 13 and ask all to complete the survey to the best of your ability. The purpose is to identify the talents that are present in our community and the availability/willingness to offer those as/when needed. It is a vital aspect of our responsibility to be good stewards of the gifts God has given us.

Wedding: This afternoon Marina Moser and Max Kaplan will be married here at St. Mark's. Neither of them are strangers to St. Mark's and this occasion is one of joy not only for their families but for all of our parish. We congratulate them, their families and friends and wish them Many Happy and Blessed Years!

<u>Wrightstown Food Cupboard:</u> Pasta, sauce, tea, coffee, juice are always welcome. If you would rather make a monetary donation put it in an envelope with "Food Pantry" and drop in the Question Box. These donations will go towards purchasing Thanksgiving turkeys and Christmas hams for the baskets.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS The sick and the suffering.

Those persecuted for their faith.

The lost and the lonely.

Those in prison.

The hungry, the homeless, the abused and the abandoned.

The indifferent to those in need.

Those who hate us and those who love us.

VIGIL LIGHTS:

From the Swan Family:

For the Health of:

Constance Swan, Michael Love, Venus Love, Kathryn Swan, Steve Swan, Neville Noel In Memory of: Thomas Swan

From the Ristvey's:

For the Health of: Margaret and George

From the Arhipovs:

For the Health of: Sergei, Robert, Natasha, Natalie, Alexander, Dimitri In Memory of: Anna, Maria, Maria, Ivan, Eugene, Katherine