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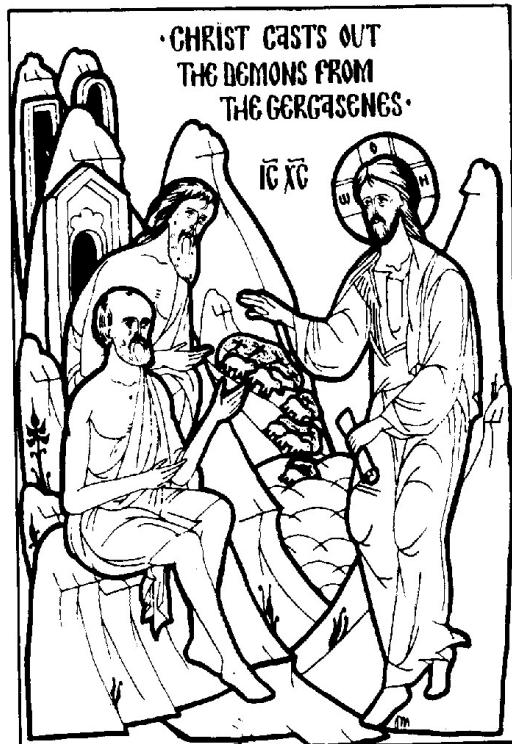
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SUNDAY OCTOBER 29, 2017

21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone
4. Martyr Anastasia the Roman (3rd c.). Ven.
Abramius the Recluse, and his niece, Bl. Mary,
of Mesopotamia (ca. 360).

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20

Gospel: Luke 8:26-39

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Confessions: Saturdays Following Vespers
Also by appointment

Vespers: Saturdays at 6pm

Vigil: Eve of Feasts at 7pm, except Sundays when at 6pm.

Divine Liturgy: Sundays at 9:30am
Feast Days at 9:30am

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sun, October 29: Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am. Coffee Hour. Church School.
Wed, Nov 1: Akathist followed by Class on the Psalms – 9:15am.
Sat, November 4: Advent Retreat: Wisdom from the Desert 10-3pm Vespers and Confessions – 4pm.

Church Cleaning: Thank you to those who have volunteered. Additional assistance is always welcome.

Church School: Upcoming projects include Veterans Day Recognition November 12 and the annual Christmas Shoebox collection. Watch for further information on both.

Icons: We are grateful to the Sosedov's for the icon of St. Romanos the Melodist donated on the occasion of their son's baptism and to Marek Szeliga for the Icon of Our Lady of Czestochowa donated in memory of his mother Maria.

Operation Christmas Child: For the next four Sundays we will collect items for this annual collection of toys, hats, gloves, socks, pens, crayons, etc. as we have for past years. We will pack the shoe boxes on Sunday November 19th. Last year we had 88. For each box we must provide a \$9 shipping/handling fee so monetary donations are also welcome to defray expense.

Retreat: St. Mark's will host a Pre Advent retreat on Saturday November 4, from 10 until 3pm, followed by Confessions and Vespers at 4pm. The topic is ***Practical Wisdom from the Desert: Lessons From the Lives of the Holy Harlots and Desert Fathers.*** Fr. David Mezynski, Associate Dean of Students at St. Vladimir's Seminary in New York will be the presenter. Among his many accomplishments, Father David has a doctorate in patristics from Fordham University. The retreat is sponsored by the Holy Myrrhbearers Sisterhood of St. Mark's and is open to the entire parish and all interested people, so bring a friend.

Trenton Rescue Mission: Thank you to all who donated for Thanksgiving Dinner for the Rescue Mission. We collected \$437, which will provide 222 meals. Lazarus is at the door, everyday. Let us be attentive and do what we can for him.

Scrip: Profit \$35.26, YTD \$915.54. Thank you for your participation.

Veterans Day: Sunday November 12 we will honor all our veterans with a special coffee hour. Please make every attempt to be here and to stay for the coffee hour as a way to say thank you to all who have served from our parish, in peace and in war. We wish to especially recognize veterans of the Vietnam War. Feel free to invite friends who are vets to join us that day. If you wish to assist with Coffee Hour, speak with Charla Bendas, Jen Sremenak or Charlotte Regen.

Wrightstown Food Cupboard: At its recent meeting the Food Cupboard asked St. Mark's to collect the following: coffee, tea, juice, baby food, tuna and canned meat, desserts (brownie mixes, cake mix, frosting, pie and pie crust mixes). **135 Thanksgiving Baskets will be packed Saturday November 18th at Penns Park United Methodist Church let's make sure they have enough of our items!**

Wedding Anniversary

Judi & Buddy Rybny

Names Day

Demetrios Perdikis

Vigil Lights

From Arhipovs

For the Health of Jeanette, Sergei, Stephanie, Peter, Alexandra, Protodeacon Michael, Alan, Ludmilla

From Tatyana Azvolinsky

For the Health of: Michael

For the Health of: Michael, Tatyana, Irene, Anna, Joel, Lucy, Olga, Masha, Pavel, Svetlana

In Memory of: Nicolay, Anna, Alexandra, Olga, Rita, Alexey, Vasily.

From Judi Rybny

For the Health of: Rose Marie Chabay

In Memory of: Helen & Peter Muha, Charles & Marie Rybny

From the Swan Family

For the Health of: Venus Love

Please remember in your prayers

Living: *Those afflicted by the violence of nature and man in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, California, Florida, Puerto Rico, Mexico and Las Vegas, captive Hierarchs Paul and John, orphans of St. Thekla's, Pdn. Joseph, Priest John, Mats. Myra, Elena, Laryssa, Mary, Peter, Stephanie, Samuel, Anthony, Sergei, Michael, Tatyana, Vera, Anna, Krastyo, Tom, Michael, Martin, Matthew, Nicoletta, Anita, Carmen, Nathan, and for Gillian, Laryssa, Maura and Marina and the children they are bearing.*

Departed: *Newly departed Bishop Antoun, Protodeacon Keith, Deacon Andronik, Sonya, those who perished in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico, Mexico, Las Vegas, Archpriest Stephen, Archpriest Vladimir*