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SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2016

34th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — **Tone 1.** Ven. Xenia of Rome and her two female servants (5th c.). St. Gerásim, Bishop of Perm (1441). Martyr John of Kazan' (1529). Martyrs Babylas (Vavíla) of Sicily, and his two disciples: Timothy and Agapius (3rd c.). St. Macedonius, Hermit, of Syria (ca. 420). Translation of the relics of St. Anastasius the Persian (7th c.). Ven. Dionysius of Olympus (16th c.). Ven. Philotheus, founder of Philotheou Monastery (Mt. Athos—10th c.). Bl. Xenia of St. Petersburg (19th c.).

Epistle: Colossians 3:4-11 **Gospel**: Luke 18:35-43

Schedule of Services

Confessions: Saturdays Following Vespers

Also by appointment

Great Vespers:

Viail

Saturdays at 6pm Eve of Feasts at 7pm

Divine Liturgy:

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

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sunday, January 24: Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am; Coffee Hour

Wednesday, January 27: Prison Ministry – 7pm

Thursday, January 28: Pre-School Church School— 12:30 — 2pm; Diocesan Assembly at St. Michael's in Jermyn — 4pm

Friday, January 29: Diocesan Assembly at St. Michael's in Jermyn – 8am – 4pm

Saturday, January 30: Great Vespers and Confessions – 6pm

Sunday, January 31: Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am; Coffee Hour & Annual Parish Meeting; Panikhida Ivan Redko (15th

Anniversary) Anna Kanerva (2nd Anniversary)

NAMES DAY:

Isaac Chappe

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Brochures: We have recently added some brochures to the literature rack for the benefit of parishioners, but targeted specifically for visitors. They are free as they have been donated. If you would like to see additional brochures and provide other outreach material please put donations in the question box in an envelope marked "Brochures" and we will purchase additional ones and replacements as needed.

House Blessings: Signup schedule is in the vestibule. Please signup for an available time that suits you. Offerings are not required and feeding the priest is discouraged due to a variety of dietary restrictions and the expansive possibilities of politely accepting food offered. All parishioners are strongly encouraged to avail themselves of this unique feature of our Orthodox Christian life, bringing cleansing and renewal to our homes and families by the waters of Jordan.

Parish Meeting: The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday January 31st following Divine Liturgy. The meeting was rescheduled due to the snow storm. All members of the parish are strongly encouraged to attend.

<u>Scrip Program:</u> Last week's profit \$49.25 and YTD, \$69.13.

Sisterhood: Thank you to all the women who attended the meeting last Sunday. A meeting for the membership has been scheduled for Sunday, February 21st after Coffee Hour. All women of the parish welcome and encouraged to attend.

Teen Retreat: The annual Diocesan Winter Teen Retreat will be held Feb 26-28, 2016 at Spruce Lake Retreat Center in Canadensis, PA. Open to grades 7-12, \$116 per student. Deadline for registration is January 31. See www.ocayouth.org for further information and registration form.

Wrightstown Food Cupboard:

Please continue to remember to bring coffee, tea, juice, pasta, peanut butter for the pantry. The struggle continues for those in need after the holiday season.

VIGIL LIGHTS:

From The Rybny Family:

For the Health of: Alan Litvin

From The Pitra Family:

<u>In Memory of:</u> Pelageja, Ivan, Julius, Ignatius, Julia- Mary

From The Swan Family:

For the Health of: Kathryn Barbone In Memory of: Donald Pflueger