

# ST. MARK'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## Readers:

- ❖ G. Peter Bohlender
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## Choir Directors:

- ❖ Sergei Arhipov
- ❖ Mat. Martha Moser
- ❖ Daria Cortese

## Church School Director

- ❖ Jennifer Sremanak

## Service Schedule

Great Vespers/Vigil

*Saturdays 6pm*

*Eve of Feast 7pm*  
*(6pm on Sundays).*

Hours

*Sundays and Feast Days 9:10am*

**Divine Liturgy**

*Sundays and Feast Days 9:30am*

**Confessions:**

*Saturdays after Vespers and by appointment.*

**Akathist Service**

*Wednesdays at 9:15am*

**Memorial Services (Panikhida/Litya):** as requested.



**22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 5. Repose of Ven. Job, Abbot and Wonderworker of Pochaev (1651). Martyrs Terence and Neonila, and their children: Sarbelus, Photus, Theodulus, Hierax, Nitus, Bele, and Eunice. Ven. Stephen of St. Sabbas' Monastery, Hymnographer (9th c.). Repose of St. Arsenius, Archbishop of Serbia (1266). Greatmartyr Paraskeva of Iconomium (3rd c.). St. Dimitry, Metropolitan of Rostov (1709). Ven. Nestor, not the Chronicler, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—14th c.). Martyrs Africanus, Terence, Maximus, Pompeius, and 36 others, of Carthage (3rd c.). Hieromartyr Cyriacus, Patriarch of Jerusalem (363). Ven. John the Chozebite**

**(6th c.). St. Neophytus, Bishop of Urbinsk in Georgia (7th c.). Ven. Athanasius the Younger, Patriarch of Constantinople (14th c.).**

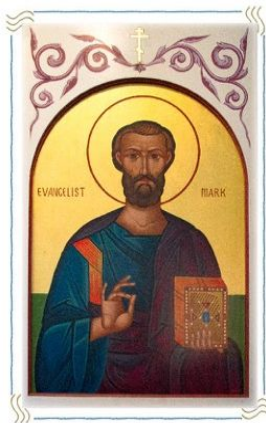
ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΗ:; *Galatians 6:11-18*

ΓΟСПΕΛ **Luke:** 8:26-39

**Baptisms:** Children must have Orthodox Godparents who provide a letter from their parish priest. Parents and Godparents are required to attend two preparatory classes. Scheduling arrangements should be made with the Rector by contacting him directly.

**Weddings:** Arrangements should be made **at least** six months prior to the wedding and scheduling is subject to the liturgical calendar of the church.

**Please do not** make arrangements for receptions without speaking with the Rector first.



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- Sun.** Oct 28: Hours and Divine Liturgy 9:10am. Church School, Coffee Hour.
- Mon.** Oct 29: Of What Life do we Speak? 7pm
- Wed.** Oct 31: Akathist and Psalms Class - 9:15am.
- Sat.** Nov 3: Vespers and Confessions - 6pm.

**Congratulations and Many Years!** To the newly married Pablo de Leon and Stephanie Bohlender who were united in the Holy Mystery of Crowning yesterday. We wish them all God's Blessings as they begin their married life

together and pray that the joy with which they have begun this life may be brought to fullness in God's Kingdom. Congratulations also to their families, especially to Peter and Sandy, the parents of the bride.

**Grounds Cleanup:** There are tasks in need of completion internally and externally in the Church and on the property. Gutters need cleaning, basement window sills also need cleaning out on the south side, wax removal on carpets in the Altar especially, but also elsewhere in the church, items need polishing again, as the candle stands need to be cleaned. Volunteers are welcome to do any tasks on the times convenient to them. Please speak with Fr. Martin if and when you can help with any of these, partially or completely.

**Save the Date:** Please take note of the following upcoming events.

**Saturday November 10**, in response to parishioner request, an afternoon (1-4:30pm) presentation on the two O.C.A. documents on preparing for end of life, spiritually and practically. You can review the documents here [A Gift for my Loved Ones](#) and here [Another Gift for my Loved Ones](#). It is an important, though often uncomfortable topic for many. Preparation is a gift for those we leave behind, enabling us to do what we know they wished, and for us to do what is in accord with God's will in facing serious illness and death. All are encouraged to attend. Vespers and Confessions will follow that day at 5pm.

**Saturday December 1**, our annual Nativity Fast/Advent Retreat with Archpriest Alexander Golubov on ,QFDUQWQJ VWH2 UMRGR[ & KULWVQJ) DUM

**Saturday December 15**, our annual Christmas Food Sale.

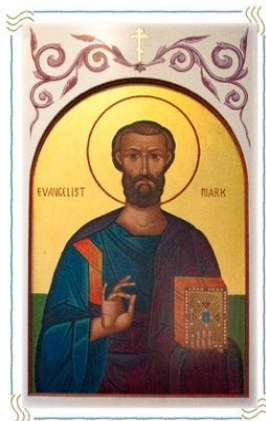
**Supporting the Church Financially in addition to regular sacrificial giving.** At present we have two ways parishioners can do so, the **Scrip Program** which allows you to purchase gift cards for a tremendous number of retailers of all kinds, percentages of which go to St. Mark's. You get the full value of your purchase, the parish gets a percentage from the program. Please take a closer look at this program and see which vendors you regularly use and consider participating. Also keep it in mind when you have special events, as vendors for those types of products pay a higher percentage.

**Additionally:** we participate in the **Amazon Smile program**. If you shop Amazon and utilize the Amazon Smile program you can designate St. Mark's Orthodox Church, Wrightstown as the beneficiary of your purchases. They will pay the parish .5% of the purchases made. Individually it may be small, but if everyone in the parish did so it would amount to a significant income. Again, no extra money is required from those who participate.

**Veterans Day:** Sunday November 11 we will have a special Coffee Hour and Church School Program to recognize and honor our veterans. Please come and show your appreciation for our honorees and those who are working on the program.

**SGM** Profit \$40.62. YTD \$681.64. Thank you for your continued support.

**Wrightstown Food Cupboard** Approximately 140 Thanksgiving baskets will be assembled on Saturday November 17. We are asked to provide pasta sauce, canned vegetables, rice/beans, coffee, tea and juice.



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