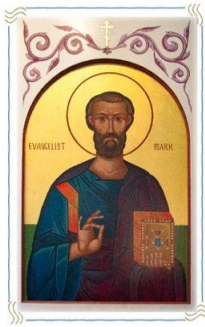


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V. Rev. Michael Sekela, *Retired. Attached*

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- ❖ Dustin Joseph Crosby

Service Schedule

Great Vespers/Vigil

Saturdays 6pm

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

Hours

Sundays and Feast Days 9:10am.

Sundays and Feast Days 9:30 am

Choir Directors:

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

Church School

Director

- ❖ Jennifer Sremanak



Divine Liturgy

Confessions:

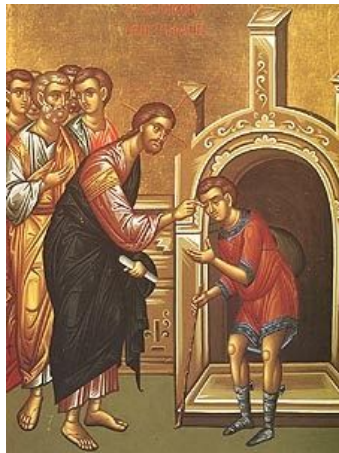
Saturdays after Vespers and by appointment.

Akathist Service

Wednesdays at 9:15am.

Memorial Services (Panikhida/Litya): as

requested



6th SUNDAY AFTER PASCHA — Tone 5. Blind Man. * Ven.

Simeon the Stylite (the Younger) of the Wonderful Mountain (596). Martyrs Meletius Stratelates, Stephen, John, and 1,218 soldiers, with women and children, including Serapion the Egyptian, Callinicus the Magician, Theodore, Faustus, the women: Marciana, Susanna, and Palladia, two children: Cyriacus and Christian, and twelve Tribunes—Faustus, Festus, Marcellus, Theodore, Meletius, Sergius, Marcellinus, Felix, Photinus, Theodoriscus, Mercurius, and Didymus, all of whom suffered in Galatia (138-161). St. Vincent of Lérins (445). < Ven. Nikita the Stylite, Wonderworker of Pereyaslavl'—Zalésski (786).

ΕΠΙΣΤΟΛΗ: Acts 16:16-34

ΓΟСПΕΛ: JOHN 9:1-38

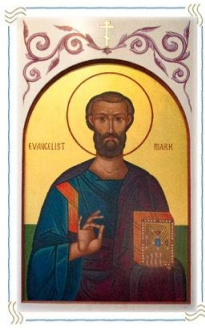
Baptisms: Children must have Orthodox Godparents who provide a letter from their parish priest. Parents and Godparents are required to attend two preparatory classes. Scheduling arrangements should be made with the Rector by contacting him directly.

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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Weekly SCHEDULE OF SERVICES and Events: **UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, PUBLIC SERVICES ARE SUSPENDED and the CHURCH IS CLOSED.**

Parish Development: The Building Committee is currently working with Raphael Architects to find a way to begin discussing parishioner thoughts about our facilities, present and future. Normally, this would be done in a workshop with as many parishioners as possible present. Since the opportunity for such a gathering is unknown, though it could be months, the Committee believes there are ways we could do this, allowing for maximal participation. This could involve email, snail mail and video/teleconferences. As soon as we have worked this out with Raphael, we will provide further details.

Financial Update: While we will publish the monthly information next week, an update on online giving. We began March 27 and since then we have averaged \$1450 a week with 20 users, 7 of them recurring. We are very grateful to all those who have supported us this way, especially those who are recurring participants and encourage additional participation by the parish. It is easier for you to set it up as you do other online payments, it enables the parish to make reliable financial projections and consider expenditures better. Here is the link for those who have not signed up to do so if it slipped your mind. If you have any questions you can contact Treasurer Andy Skordinski at andy.home@comcast.net or by telephone.

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

Wrightstown Food Cupboard: At this time the needs are great. Pasta sauce, tea, coffee, juice are particular needs.

VIGIL LIGHTS

FROM PITRA FAMILY

IN MEMORY OF: JULIA PITRA

FROM THE MOSER FAMILY

FOR THE HEALTH OF: FR. DEMETRIS, ANTHONY, PETER, STEPANIE, GEORGE, JAMES, MONIA

IN MEMORY OF: NEWLY DEPARTED WILLIAM, FR. JOHN, DN. JOHN, VERONICA, REBECCA, CHARLES, STEPHEN, SOPHIA

FROM THE ARHIPOVS

FOR THE HEALTH OF: SERGEI, STEPHANIE, PETER, ANTHONY, RAYMOND, GEORGE, DEACON GREGORY, MARTHA, KATERINA, ANNA, ELIZABETH

IN MEMORY OF: MARIA (10 YRS), NATALIA (1), GEORGE (5), KATHERINE (13), NAYDEZDA (11), MARIA (54), MARINA (10), EKATERINA (49), NIKOLAI (21), ANGELINA (2)



BIRTHDAYS

ISAAC CHAPPE -26

SERGEI ARHIPOV -29

KATERINA SREMANAK -29

RAYMOND KILLOUGH - 31

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

LINETTE AND MYRON SEDOR - 27

CHARLES & CHARLA BENDAS -26

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Please remember in your prayers

Living: Captives Hierarchs Paul and John III afflicted All those caring for the sick and suffering at this time throughout the world, especially our family and friends Charles and Erin, Ann Marie, Joseph, Alexis, Aphrodite, Archpriests Daniel and Alexander, Priest Stephen, *Matushki* Elena, Laryssa, Lisa, Priscilla, Myra, Suzanne, Anne, Jennifer, Emilia *Servants of God* Peter, Stephanie, Anthony,



Samuel, Sergei, Tatyana, Vera, Anna, Scott, Dennis, David, Garry, Vincent, Anthony, Helen, Stephen, Raymond, Darrell, Andrew, Daniel, Amanda, Michael, Laura, Stephen, Jason, Katina, Donna, Nina, Rebekah, Anthony, Alexander, Grover, Valerie, Raymonde, Anita, Jim, Peter, Jonathan, Gregory, Charles, Kyra, Margaret, Arlene, Vaughn, Vitaly, Helen, Valerie, Nicholas, Elena, Jamie and her unborn child **Good estate of** Krastyo, Tom, Michael, Martin, Matthew, Nicoletta, Carmen and Nathan, Ferne.

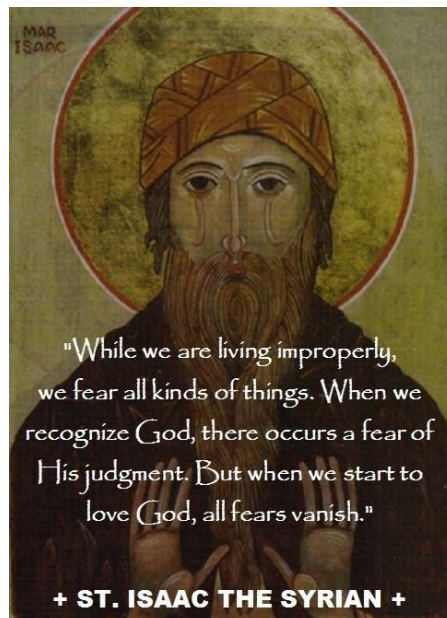
Departed: *Newly departed* Archpriest Paul, William, Arthur, Mat. Nina, Mat. Raphaela, Nina, Rosalie, Carl and Marsha, Helen *Departed* Archpriests Stephen and Vladimir & Mat. Mary, Priest George.

Petition for Medical Workers in the Litany of Fervent

Supplication

Look down, O Master Who lovest mankind, upon the sacrificial labors of our medical workers; send them steadfast health, strength and fortitude of spirit, wisdom to accomplish their work for the good of our people; and bring about through them the healing of Thy suffering servants, we earnestly pray Thee, quickly hearken and have mercy.

especially Charla, Valerie, Joseph and Alexis, Aphrodite, Tiberiu, Ann Marie, Charles and Erin. May the Lord grant them peace, health, salvation and furtherance in all good things for many blessed years!



"While we are living improperly, we fear all kinds of things. When we recognize God, there occurs a fear of His judgment. But when we start to love God, all fears vanish."

+ ST. ISAAC THE SYRIAN +

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Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house; and thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing. Malachi 3:10

Archbishop Mark on the Offerings of Cain and Abel (Genesis 4:1-8)

The idea of offering the **“first fruits”** is intimately intertwined with the concept of **offering our very best to God**, before we decide what we will keep for ourselves. It is the **basic acknowledgement that it all comes from Him and belongs to Him**. Thus, what we offer is an **expression of our gratitude** for all of His bountiful blessings. Certainly, whatever is offered should be the very best, and not simply what is left over

