



ST. MARK'S ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Choir Directors:

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

August 9, 2020

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

Church School

Director

- ❖ Jennifer Sremanak



Divine Liturgy: Sundays and Feast Days
9:30am

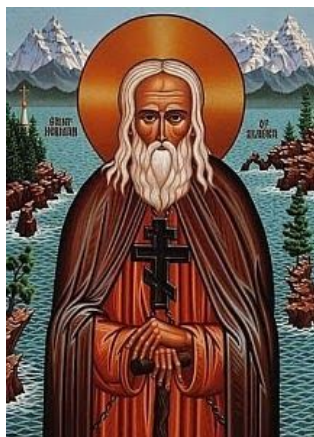
Confessions:

Saturdays after Vespers and by appointment.

Akathist Service

Wednesdays at 9:15am.

Memorial Services (Panikhida/Litya): as requested



9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 8. Afterfeast of the Transfiguration. + Apostle Matthias (ca. 63). & Glorification of Ven. Herman of Alaska, Wonderworker of All America (1970—27 July O.S.). Martyr Anthony of Alexandria. Ven. Psoi of Egypt (4th c.). Martyrs Julian, Marcian, John, Jacob (James), Alexius, Demetrius, Photius (Phocas), Peter, Leontius, and Mary, of Constantinople (730).

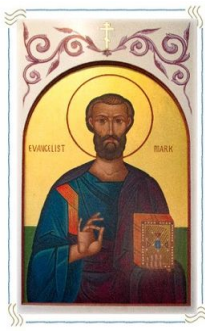
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17; Galatians 5:22-6:2

Gospel: Mt. 14:22-34; Luke 6: 17-23

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.



Weekly Schedule of Services and Events:

Sunday, August 9: Hours and Divine Liturgy - 9:10am,

Tuesday, August 11: Community Focus Group-6:30pm.

Wednesday, August 12: Paraklesis Service to the Theotokos - 7pm

Friday, August 14: Vigil for the Dormition of the Theotokos - 7pm

Saturday, August 15: Hours and Divine Liturgy for Dormition - 9:10am; Vespers and

Confessions- 6pm.

Sunday, August 16: Hours and Divine Liturgy - 9:10am.

Dormition Fast: We begin the second and final week of the Dormition Fast, one of the four fasting “seasons” of the Church Year. To put it in contemporary terms, a fast is a cleanse, but a spiritual one. Since we are creatures of body, soul and spirit, it includes fasting from specific foods and the quantity of food we consume, but it is more importantly about cleansing ourselves spiritually, our spiritual eye or heart, so that *the Mystery from all Eternity, unknown even to angels* can be seen by us in the deepest sense of the term, when we celebrate the Dormition of the Theotokos. As always, the fast includes the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord and we will offer the special Paraklesis or Supplication to the Theotokos Service on Wednesday, August 12 at 7pm.

Parish Survey: The Worship Focus group met yesterday afternoon before Vigil, the Community Focus Group meets this coming Tuesday and the Administrative Focus Group meets

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

Birthdays

Dmitri Petrov - 8/14

Mariam Lekveishvili -8/14

Names Day

Mary Anne Swan 8/15

Monia Pitra 8/15

Vigil Lights

❖ From: Pitra Family
For the Health of: Edward
In Memory of: Pelageja

❖ From: Swan Family
For the Health of: Michael, Constance
In Memory of: Thomas, Venus, Helen, Neville



Please remember in your prayers



Living: Captives Hierarchs Paul and John 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. Ill afflicted Archpriests Daniel, 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, Stephen, Raymond, Darrell, Andrew, Daniel, Amanda, Michael, Laura, Stephen, Jason, Katina, Donna, Rebekah, Anthony, Alexander, Grover, Valerie, Raymonde, Anita, Jim, Peter, Jonathan, Gregory, Charles, Kyra. Margaret, Arlene, Vaughn, Helen, Nicholas, Elena, Jamie and her unborn child, Nicholas, Valerie, John,

Alice, Edward

Departed: Newly departed Incigul Departed Archpriests Stephen and Vladimir & Mat. Mary, Priest George.

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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 Giving Thanks

*As the Lord delivered Lot and his household from certain slavery, the Lord has also delivered us from death and slavery to sin. The freedom we acquired through Christ is a freedom we could not achieve, buy or pay for on our own, no matter how rich we may be. It is a gift. **Is what we offer back to God a reflection of our thanksgiving for the gift of eternal life?** He already owns the world and all it contains. **What He does not own is our freedom to love and serve Him, with our time, treasure and talent. That is where we are all called to offer back to God our very best!***