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9:00 AM-3:00 PM

Divine Services

Eve Sundays & Feast Days

5:00 PM Confessions

6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sundays and Feast Days

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

*** AMBO: Articles for publication should be submitted to: sttheocemetery@yahoo.com by Wednesday of each week before noon.**

*** CALENDAR: Event dates must be submitted by the 15th of each month.**

JANUARY 17, 2016
VEN. GODBEARING ANTHONY THE GREAT

ST. MARK, ARCHBISHOP OF EPHESUS

JANUARY 19

Saint Mark Eugenikos, Archbishop of Ephesus, was a stalwart defender of Orthodoxy at the Council of Florence. He would not agree to a union with Rome which was based on theological compromise and political expediency (the Byzantine Emperor was seeking military assistance from the West against the Moslems who were drawing ever closer to Constantinople). St Mark countered the arguments of his opponents, drawing from the well of pure theology, and the teachings of the holy Fathers. When the members of his own delegation tried to pressure him into accepting the Union he replied, "There can be no compromise in matters of the Orthodox Faith."

Although the members of the Orthodox delegation signed the Tomos of Union, St Mark was the only one who refused to do so. When he returned from Florence, St Mark urged the inhabitants of Constantinople to repudiate the dishonorable document of union. He died in 1457 at the age of fifty-two, admired and honored by all.

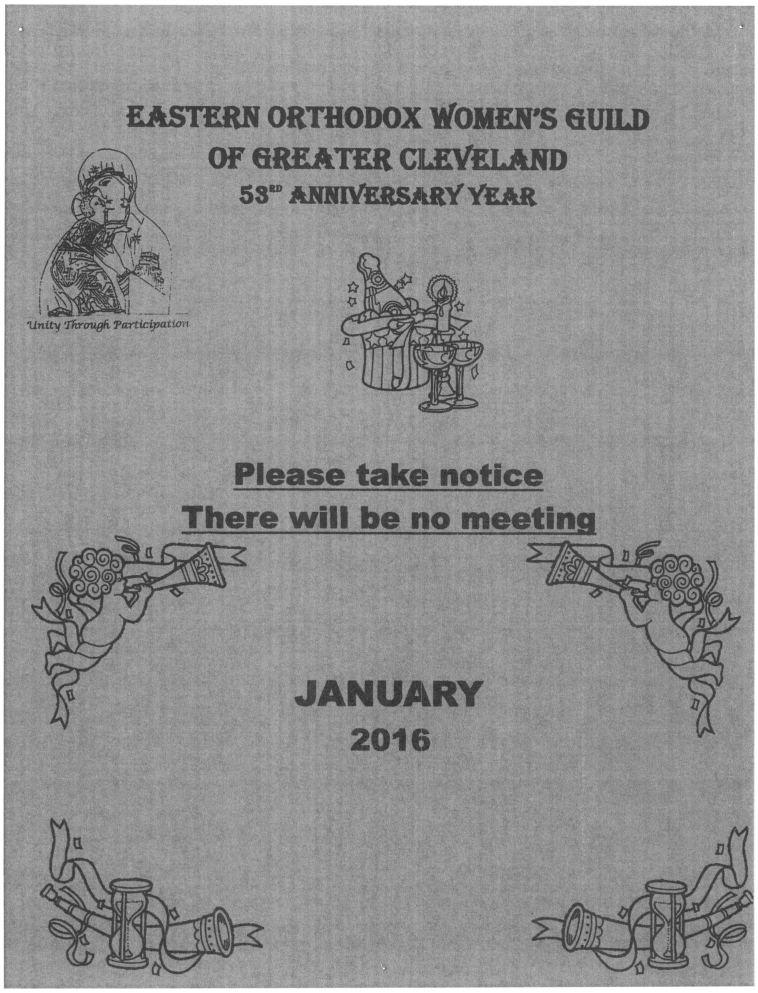
BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17

Jan. 17	Col. 1:12-18 Luke 18:18-27	Jan. 19	Heb. 4:1-13 Luke 21:12-19	Jan. 22	Heb. 7:18-25 Luke 21:37-22:8
Jan. 18	Heb. 3:5-11,17-19 Luke 20:27-44	Jan. 20	Heb. 5:11-6:8 Luke 21:5-7,10-11, 20-24	Jan. 23	Eph. 2:11-13 Luke 13:18:29
		Jan. 21	Heb. 7:1-6 Luke 21:28-33		

Dear Brothers and Sisters: We are looking for Greeters to add to our Ministry. Please prayerfully consider joining us as we greet those who are brought to us by Christ Himself! We will provide the training which is as simple as a smile and a warm welcome! If you are interested or have questions, please see Michael Tabeling or any of the greeters you meet at the front door of the Cathedral.

St. Theodosius Men's Mixer

Come out and join us on Thursday, January 21st (please note the date change) at Agostino's for an evening of fellowship and discussion about how we can support our church and church community.
6:30 PM at Agostino's
Pizza, Wings, and Beverages
$5.00 donation at the door
Please RSVP to waynevidovich@gmail.com via text @ 440-989-6165 by January 10th, 2016 if possible. If it is not possible to RSVP, please come regardless.



Thank You

The Byndas Family thanks you for the prayers, visitation and contributions on behalf of **Frank W. Byndas, Sr.** Memory Eternal! (Contributions to the St. Theodosius Restoration Fund: $1,600.00

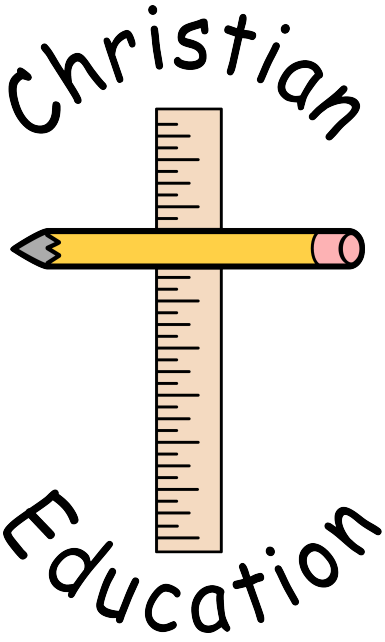
Dear Church School Parents: Glory to Jesus Christ!

The next Church School session is as follows:

We will distribute teaching resources to parents after Liturgy on Sunday, January 10th. We will meet in the Temple immediately after Liturgy. Formal classes will be held on the first Saturday of each month as follows:
February 6th @ 4:45 PM
March 5th @ 4:45 PM
April 2nd @ 4:45 PM

We will conclude on Lazarus Saturday - April 23rd @ 9:00 AM for Liturgy (with Fr. John teaching during or after Liturgy). We will also ask students to stay after Liturgy for our traditional cleaning of the Cathedral and making pussy-willows/palms for Palm Sunday.

Please mark your calendars now and see Paul Pangrace or Joyce & Michael Tabeling for details.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Departed:

Mother Ana
12-12-15

Paul Laskovich
12-18-15

Frank Byndas
12-20-15

Ralph Magee (*Erin Zawolowycz's father*)
12-23-15

Ill Afflicted & Special Intentions:

Father John Udics
Matushka Catherine Jula
Archpriest Theodore Bobosh
Mary
Michael
Betty Balasz
David C. Baringer (*friend of Karen Felon*)
Judy Baughman
Carol Bohurjak
Julie Byndas
Elsie Conrad
John Conrad
Metodije Damljanovic (*Child)*
Horia Dascalescu (*Lavinia Morris's brother*)
Cindy Durkalski
Nadine Ellis
Nashwa Fam
Dorothy Fowler
Vladimir Fowler
Julia Grabowski
Roger Haupt *(Lisa Theodore's cousin)*
Janet Hennig (*friend of Judy Schwind*)
Sandee Holod
Matthew Hunley *(Phyllis Gindlesperger's brother-in-law)*
Donna Jacak
Victor Jacak
Kevin Jackam (*Sonia Vorell's cousin*)
Patrick Jacobson (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Joy Jahans *(friend of Paul Pangrace)*
Stephen Jahans *(friend of Paul Pangrace)*
Diane Kearsey **(***Janice Tkacz's sister***)**
Maher Khalil
Thomas Khalil
John Kovalski *(friend of Paul Pangrace)*
Dorothy Laskovich
Susan Lentz
Paul Mihal
Anna Mysiw *(friend and neighbor of Helen Antonik)*
Paul Palisan (*neighbor of Lydia Mytrohovich*)
Maude Palumbo *(Michelle Rajisch's mother)*
Debra Parhamovich *(Karen Felon's sister)*
Grace Parhamovich **(***Karen Felon's mother)*
Daria Petrokowski
Cindy Powkowski
Cheryl Regrut (*Deb Ellis's sister-in-law)*
Valerie Rolls (*Fr. John's cousin*)
Dorothy Romig
Julia Sankovic *(Child)*
Elaine Sudnick *(Joy Pfeiffer's mother)*
Janice Tkacz
Elisabeth Wright (*friend of Paul Pangrace*)
Erin Zawolowycz
Elizabeth Zimmerman
Theodore Zolikoff (*Nick Zolikoff's father*)
Alice Zdinak (*Fr. John's Mother*)

Douglas & Kaitlyn Evans & Unborn Child

Gabriel & Shyanne Tabeling & Unborn Child

***Congratulations*:**

To newly baptized and chrismated Alexander Zimmerman

Please note that names will remain on the list for approximately one month and then removed. If you would like a name to be relisted, please contact the office at 216-741-1310.

Welcome Visitors

Our parish welcomes you and thanks you for joining us at today's Divine Liturgy.
While only Orthodox Christians may approach the chalice for Holy Communion,
everyone is welcome to partake of the Holy Bread after Liturgy.
You are also invited to join us for fellowship in the Parish Hall following Liturgy.

COFEE HOUR & GREETERS SCHEDULES

	Coffee Hour:	Greeters:
1/17/16	Dan & Lavinia Morris	Linda Smotzer & Sonia Vorell
1/24/16	Cathy Weber & Mat. Jenn Boerio	Paul Pangrace & Michael Tabeling
1/31/16	Lauren Miklos & Chandra Czaruk	Mat. Jenn Boerio & Karen Felon
2/7/16	Nick & Kate Zolikoff	Nina & Elizabeth Antonik
2/14/16	Steve Rusnak & Judy Schwind	Tammy Ponomarenko & Karen Felon
2/21/16	Joyce Tabeling & Judy Schwind	Paul Pangrace & Michael Tabeling
2/28/16	Joy & David Pfeiffer	Nina & Elizabeth Antonik

GOD'S GIFTS TO US - OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly expenses:	$ 6,538.00
Last week's collection	$ 4,384.00
Over/**Under**	< $ 2,154.00 >

FOOD PANTRY

Our Food Pantry ministry continues through Merrick House. They currently use the bags in their Moms First program. We can always use your help by "sponsoring a bag". Envelopes are in the foyer, $10 fills a bag. Thank you and God bless you for helping those in need. - Dan Morris

Dome Lighters

Donations to offset the cost of lighting the domes can be made for *The Health Of* or *In Memory Of* your loved ones. Contact the Parish Office if you are interested.

For the entire 2016 year:

In loving memory of Olga Fritskey

from John & Ruth Fritskey

Pan-Orthodox Akathist for the Unborn

Sunday, January 17 at 6 p.m.

St. Matthew the Evangelist
Antiochian Orthodox Church
10383 Albion Road, North Royalton.

Guest Speaker
Lisa Palivoda

God's compassionate, loving and faithful promise of redemption, restoration and renewal.

Please Join Us for the Annual Holy Trinity

Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner

Sunday, January 24, 2016 · 11:30 am

Pork & Sauerkraut

Potatoes, Vegetable, Applesauce

Walnut Tort

Glass of wine, beer or soft drink included

Children 10 & under – Free

Children 11 – 16 - $10

All others - $15

Tickets sold in advance

Please see or call Jewelann Stefanar

216-741-0985

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church

6822 Broadview Rd + Parma, OH

ps--- You don't have to eat the Sauerkraut ☺

Now and Then

Department of CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ORTHODOX CHURCH in AMERICA

This weekly bulletin insert complements the curriculum published by the Department of Christian Education of the Orthodox Church in America. This and many other Christian Education resources are available at http://dce.oca.org.

Two of the readings for January 20th are Wisdom of Solomon 3: 1-9 and Luke 6: 17-23.

Though one is from the Old Testament and the other is from the much later time of the New Testament, they both tell us that the "now" of the present life is a passing reality. The "then" of eternity, and its everlasting reality, is what matters.

The reading from the Wisdom of Solomon describes the deaths of righteous people living among ungodly and powerful people, as the Jews of Alexandria were doing at the time the book was probably written. The author makes clear the difference between what appears in this world to be the fate of the righteous, and what constitutes the true reality of their lives. First he writes, "In the eyes of the foolish they seem to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going forth from us to be their destruction."

Even to the other Jews, apparently, these deaths were a disaster, and the final destruction of life. The following verses, however, show that another reality was actually being worked out: "But they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive a great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of Himself."

In the passage from Luke, often called the Sermon on the Plain, Christ Himself tells us that this world's painful difficulties fade into nothing when we know the glory of the future with God: "Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets." Not only does Christ reassure us about our own lives; He also reminds us that others—such as the righteous people described in Wisdom of Solomon—experienced the same things.

On this day the Church honors the New Martyr Zachariah of Patras, who lived in the late eighteenth century. He was born a Christian, but converted to Islam. Living as a Muslim for many years, he still kept and read a book called "The Salvation of Sinners." The book's powerful words finally convinced him that he had made a dreadful mistake.

Zachariah publicly declared his intention to return to Christianity, having received absolution from a Christian elder. For this he was tortured so severely that he died. When the local Christians asked permission to bury him, the Muslim ruler said he was unworthy of burial, having betrayed two faiths. His body was dragged through the streets and unceremoniously tossed into a dry well.

Yet people approaching the well saw an unearthly light shining above it. This man, who in life was pronounced unfit even for a proper burial, had found the "then" of God's forgiving and welcoming love.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

2016

Sunday, Jan. 17
VEN. GODBEARING
ANTHONY THE GREAT
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
6:00 PM Pan-Orthodox Akathist for the Unborn @ St. Matthew the Evangelist in North Royalton

Monday, Jan. 18
ST. ATHANASIUS
THE GREAT
ST. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA

Tuesday, Jan. 19
VEN. MACARIUS THE GREAT
ST. MARK, ARCHBISHOP
OF EPHESUS
No Orthodoxy 101

Wednesday, Jan. 20
VEN. EUTHYMIUS
THE GREAT

REMINDER:

Please be sure that cell phones are turned off before entering the temple.

JANUARY
Special Collection
THE DEANERY

Thursday, Jan. 21
VEN. MAXIMUS CONFESSOR
VIRGIN MARTYR AGNES
VEN. MAXIM THE GREEK
11:00 AM Faith Enrichment @ Agostino's
6:30 PM St. Theodosius Men's Mixer @ Agostino's

Friday, Jan. 22
APOSTLE TIMOTHY OF THE 70
MONK MARTYR
ANASTASIUS THE PERSIAN

Saturday, Jan. 23
HIEROMARTYR CLEMENT
MARTYR AGATHANGEL
ST. PAULINUS OF NOLA
6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, Jan. 24
VEN. XENIA OF ROME
BLESSED XENIA
OF ST. PETERSBURG
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
11:30 AM Pork & Sauerkraut Dinner @ Holy Trinity

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