

IT'S TIME TO PREPARE THE "ED BUILDING" FOR A RENTER! (We'll still have it for Coffee Hour.)

Our Parish Council is in the process of negotiating a lease to rent out the Education Building. The possible tenant is a local not-for-profit agency that supports and educates children who are transitioning out of disadvantaged circumstances. So far, the negotiations are moving very positively. This rental would greatly help the parish financially -- and it would greatly bless us in many other ways too, since the Education Building would be put to use, every day, for education!

The lease clearly states that the parish will have access to the Education Building restrooms and upper floor (the kitchen and the gym) on Sundays, until the end of Coffee Hour. Also, we do not need to remove the tables, chairs, and most other furniture – the tenant would use those things for their classes and programs. Our Church School and other parish needs, including facilities for non-Sunday services, will be accommodated in other ways. The Council is working on those arrangements now.

We all need to come together and work as a family to prepare our "house" for this blessing. Below is a schedule of upcoming Sundays, most including packing sessions. Please see Dasha Piwinski or Pat Bouteneff to find out how you can help. From making lists, to labeling boxes, to "heavy lifting" – anyone of any age and ability can join in!

- Sun 2/19 At Coffee Hour: Memorial Luncheon for Vincent Macagnone
Followed by Packing Session, Bottom Floor, 30 Minutes
- Sun 2/26 Forgiveness Sunday and "Cheesecake Sunday" Coffee Hour!
- Sun 3/5 Packing Session After Coffee Hour, 30 Minutes
- Sun 3/12 Packing Session After Coffee Hour, 30 Minutes

Additional weekday packing sessions will be announced.

WE NEED PEOPLE TO HAUL THINGS TO THE DUMP. Please see Pat Bouteneff or Matushka Tamara if you can help haul.

**** Thank you to everyone who has helped so far, on Sundays and weekdays too!****

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HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

Yonkers, New York



Sunday, February 19, 2017

The Sunday of the Last Judgment

3rd Preparatory Sunday Before Lent ~ Meatfare Sunday

TODAY IS "MEATFARE SUNDAY". This means that:

At the end of today, we begin to fast from meat, until after the Divine Liturgy of Holy PASCHA, April 16. All this coming week, though, we may eat dairy products, including Wednesday and Friday.



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Sunday, February 19, 2017 ~ Last Judgment Sunday ~ Meatfare Sunday
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2; Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for Vincent Macagnone (First Anniversary of his repose), requested by his wife Mary, Children & Grandchildren; for Maria Stanczak, requested by Janina & John Kowalczyk & Family; for John Kowalczyk, by Rose Wasiczko; for John & Julia Wislocki, by John & Jane Kowalczyk.
Followed by Coffee Hour & Church School. At Coffee Hour: “Meat-Farewell Sunday” Memorial Lunch, Hosted by the Macagnone Family. **Teens Meet with Fr. David. Cleaning Session in Ed Bldg.**

Tuesday, February 21

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal – In the Church

Saturday, February 25

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

Sunday, February 26 – Forgiveness Sunday – Cheesefare Sunday

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* and *Forgiveness Vespers with the Rite of Mutual Forgiveness*

Afterward: “Cheese-Cake Sunday” Coffee Hour; Parish Council Meets (Rescheduled from 2/19)

Monday AND Tuesday, February 27-28 – Clean Monday and Clean Tuesday

7:00 PM *Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete, First Monday and Tuesday of Lent*

Wednesday, March 1 – Clean Wednesday

5:00 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts*

Thursday, March 2 – Clean Thursday

7:00 PM *Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete, First Wednesday of Lent*
(due to the celebration of the Presanctified Liturgy on Wed. 3/1)

Friday, March 3 – Clean Friday

9:30 AM *Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts*

Saturday, March 4 – First Saturday of Lent

5:00 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

Sunday, March 5 – First Sunday of Lent – Sunday of the Triumph of Orthodoxy

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Children’s Icon Procession*; then Coffee Hour and Church School.

4:00 PM *Orthodoxy Sunday Vespers* at St. Nicholas Cathedral, Brooklyn, Details in Bulletin.

PRAYER LIST

Above all, we are a praying community. Keep this list in your prayer corner, and in your daily prayers remember our Brothers & Sisters in Christ:

John Felenczak, Fr. Nicholas Harris, Maggie Bautista & Ursula Handley, recovering from surgery; Ioanna; Anna; Vincent Knarr; Theodora Mandel; Adnan Abbasi; Paul Flurschutz; Nicholas Macagnone; Dragan Saric; Olga Vurgina; Eugene & Tanya Balasenowich; Natasha Work; Svetlana Wineski and the child to be born to her; the children Nadia, Michael, and Alena; Andrew Czuchta; Ann Dahulich; Barbara Evanina; Boris Lyzak; Stephanie Davis, Susan Hansen, Alexander Kravchenko, Virginia & Arthur Shanahan, John O’Donnel; Christopher Olsen; Bill Bodack; Nina Dimas; catechumen Norman & Elena Herman; Courtney Lyzak; Anatole Honczarenko; Eleanor Wasilko; Ludmila Branzow; Suzanne Gee; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; Kevin Kuzmenko; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios, Vera Bullock; Schuyler Perry; Vitaliy Khutko; Malcolm Kirkpatrick; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. Ken James Stavrevsky, John Reeves, John Malcom, Alexis Vinogradov, Vitaly Bahanovich, John Tkachuk; Matushki Anastasia Harris, Kathryn Malcom, Masha Tkachuk and Elizabeth Vinogradov; Klara Borzova; Helen Delandri; Irene Homa; Olga Juck; Mary Kalakuka; Mary Kantor; Ann Karell; Daria Krawchuk; Mary Macagnone; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyk; Martha Slivka; Nicholas Washenko; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness; for all soldiers, especially Bryan, Mykola & Marin; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence, and refugees, especially in the Middle East and in Ukraine; all those suffering chronic illness, financial hardship, loneliness, addiction, abuse, abandonment and despair; all Orthodox seminarians & families; nun Theodula and all Orthodox monks and nuns, and all those considering monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families.

For blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Richard Dosin (+2/6). Matushka Juliana Schmemann (+1/29); Daniel Markewich (+1/29); Antonina Krawczuk (+1/26); Sami Kassis (+1/22); Alexis Troubetzkoy (+1/22); Steven Moskaluk; Spiros and Rosalind; Ludmilla Krylova (+1/10); Paul Chernay; Marina Copp; Vasili Work; the ever-memorable Matushka Deborah Dahulich (+2/20/1973), Helen Washenko (+2/24); and all those departed this life in hope of the Resurrection.

Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, to Protodeacon John, or to an Altar Server. Typically, names remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise. Those confined to hospitals or homes, or suffering chronic illnesses, remain on the list.

CANDLE SPONSORSHIPS FOR FEBRUARY:

Vigil Candle, Icon of Christ, Departed Members, Wirchansky Family: Janet, Peter, Christina, Anne, Helen & Anastasia). Living: Wirchansky, Seckerson & Carlucci Families.

FINANCIAL OBLIGATION FOR MEMBERSHIP WITH VOTING PRIVILEGES

The financial obligation determined by the 2017 Annual Parish Meeting is the following: To submit a financial pledge for 2017, by means of the Stewardship Commitment Form (Pledge Form); and to prayerfully attempt to fulfill that pledge by remitting to the parish the pledged financial contribution no later than December 31, 2017. Have you turned in your Pledge Form yet? About 20 percent of the forms sent out have been returned. Please put yours in the “2017 Pledges” box on the candle desk today!

PRAY FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS – our parish sons & daughters, OCF chapter members, AND those at nearby colleges who make HTO their spiritual home away from home!

Bassim Abbasi	Andrew Nolan	Joshua Rzyk
Elizabeth Bouteneff	August Perry	Peter Rzyk
Michael Bouteneff	Kamille Perry	Stephanie Rzyk
Joe Ciamarra	Schuyler Perry	Justyna Skalski
Jaroslav Kocza	Christianna Piwinski	Monika Wislocki
Kaydee Kowalczyk	Roman Piwinski	
Dan Kozak	Amanda Rzyk	

“Sending our kids to college without a connection to the Church is like sending children to play in traffic.” -- Archbishop Michael
Please tell Fr. David if there are any errors or omissions on this list.

PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION

Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please call Fr. David at (914) 965-6815, when a family member is admitted to the hospital.

Anointing In Sickness: The Sacrament of Unction is available in Church, the hospital, or your home, for anyone who is sick, however severe. **It doesn't mean “Last Rites!”**

Marriages and Baptisms require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). **See Father before booking dates and reception halls!**

Funerals are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians. Please see Father for details.

The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for cremations.

TODAY'S EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Brethren: Food does not commend us to God; for neither if we eat are we the better, nor if we do not eat are we the worse.⁹But beware lest somehow this liberty of yours become a stumbling block to those who are weak.¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol's temple, will not the conscience of him who is weak be emboldened to eat those things offered to idols?¹¹And because of your knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died?¹²But when you thus sin against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ.¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never again eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.¹⁴Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord?²¹If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

TODAY'S GOSPEL Matthew 25:31-46 The Lord said: “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory.³²All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats.³³And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.³⁴Then the King will say to those on His right hand, ‘Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:³⁵for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in;³⁶I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.’³⁷Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink?’³⁸When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You?’³⁹Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?’⁴⁰And the King will answer and say to them, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.’⁴¹Then He will also say to those on the left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels:⁴²for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink;⁴³I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.’⁴⁴Then they also will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?’⁴⁵Then He will answer them, saying, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.’⁴⁶And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”



Pan-Orthodox Vespers

on the
Sunday of Orthodoxy

St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Cathedral

355 State Street – Brooklyn, New York 11217

Vespers at 4:00 pm on Sunday, March 5, 2017

HIS EMINENCE, METROPOLITAN JOSEPH

HIS BEATITUDE, METROPOLITAN TIKHON

HIS EMINENCE, ARCHBISHOP MICHAEL

AND

HIS GRACE, BISHOP JOHN

Presiding Hierarchs

A Lenten supper will follow

"THIS IS THE FAITH OF THE APOSTLES, THIS IS THE FAITH OF THE FATHERS, THIS IS THE FAITH OF THE ORTHODOX. THIS IS THE FAITH WHICH HAS ESTABLISHED THE UNIVERSE."

FROM THE SYNODIKON OF THE SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

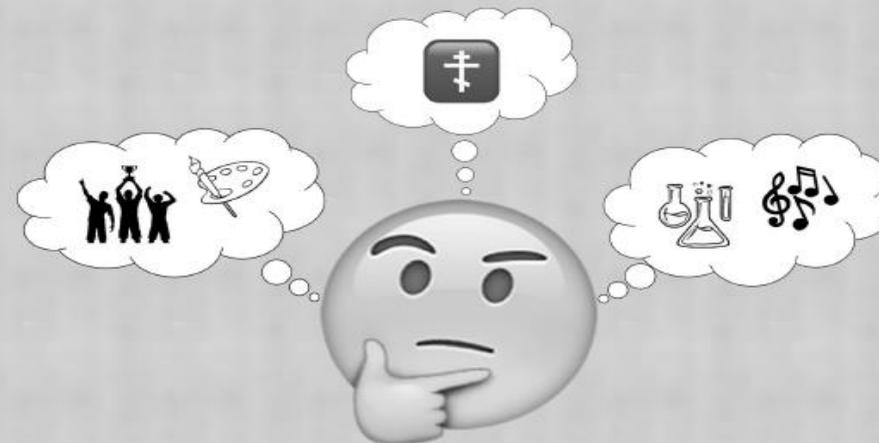


TEENS AND TEENS' PARENTS:

The next meeting of Fr. David with our teens will be today, Sunday, Feb. 19, during Coffee Hour.

Topic: "What is Heaven and why is there a hell?"

The Challenge: Who Are We Called To Be?



ANNUAL LENTEN TEEN RETREAT

Saint Basil Academy | Garrison, NY

Friday-Sunday, March 10-12, 2017

Sponsored by the OCA Diocese of New York & New Jersey
All jurisdictions and nearby dioceses are welcome!

OPEN TO: Teens in Grades 7-12

QUESTIONS?

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SPEAKER: Gregory Fedorchak

Ph.D. Candidate at Cornell University
President, Cornell Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF)

Registration deadline is March 6th ... sign up today!

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