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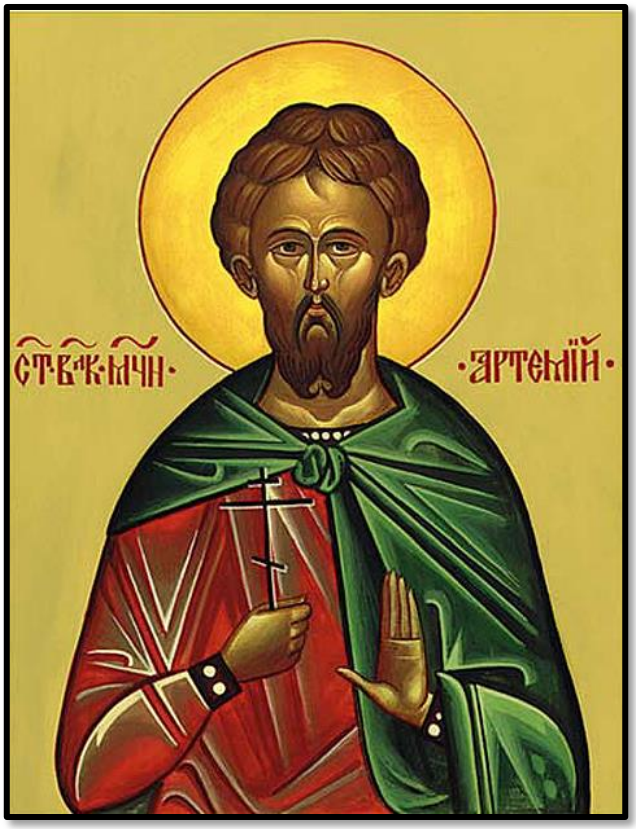

Sunday, October 20, 2019

16th Sunday After Pentecost ~ Tone 1 ~ Martyr St. Artemius at Antioch

SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY – O.C.F. (Orthodox Christian College Fellowship)

You've heard it before:
"Sending our kids to college without a connection to the Church is like sending children to play in traffic."
Please bring a contribution next Sunday to help strengthen that crucial connection – through our support of O.C.F. chapters at college campuses throughout the U.S. Thank you!

THE COWANS ARE MOVING IN NOVEMBER

As I announced in church last Sunday, it is with great sadness that I write that my family and I will be leaving Holy Trinity Church and moving away. Our last Sunday here will be November 10, and my assignment here ends on November 15.

You are dear to us, and we will miss you very much. We ask your prayers – as you are in our prayers – during this time of transition for all of us. Let's make the most of the four weeks that we have left together.

With love in Christ, Fr. David

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SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Today

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for Teodor Felenczak, requested by the Felenczak & Medwid Families followed by Church School and Coffee Hour

After Coffee Hour: Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting – in the Church

Wednesday, October 23

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal – in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, October 26

5:00 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

Sunday, October 27

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for William Bolinsky, Sr., Vladimir Kowalczyk & Walter Kowalczyk; Anna Mae Balasenowich & Eva Pavelchak, requested by the Bolinsky, Kowalczyk & Balasenowich Families, followed by Church School & Coffee Hour

EPISTLE 2 Corinthians 9:6-11 Brethren, this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work. As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God. **TODAY'S GOSPEL Luke 16:19-31** The Lord spoke this parable: "There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. Then he cried and said, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.' Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.'"

COMING UP IN THE PARISH AND THE DIOCESE:

- Saturday, October 26, 5:00 PM Youth Choir Rehearsal
- Saturday, November 16: 2nd Annual Diocesan BIBLE BOWL, at Holy Resurrection Church, 285 French Hill Road, Wayne NJ. See next page for details.
- Friday–Sunday, Nov. 22–24: Diocesan Girls' Retreat. See next page for details.
- July 15–21, 2020: Pilgrimage to Alaska with Archbishop Michael: Celebrating 50 Years of the Glorification of St. Herman of Alaska, and the Autocephaly of the OCA! Pick up a poster on the Welcome Table with details.

IT IS TIME TO REPLENISH OUR LOCAL CHARITY FUND

From time to time, local individuals and families facing hard times will come to the church seeking some material assistance. We do not give out cash. Your monetary donations fund MetroCards and grocery gift-cards. Please see Eugene Balasenowich or Fr. David to offer a donation or ask for details. *Thank you!*

PLEASE HELP WITH COFFEE-HOUR CLEANUP and SUPPLIES!

We need your help with Coffee Hour clean-up!
Put your names on the poster in the Fellowship Hall.

This week's Coffee Hour Needs:

Hot Cups, Jugs of Water, Flavored Creamers, Tortilla Chips & Dips.

Thank you to all who bring special dishes to share, growing this Ministry of Hospitality!

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH FELLOWSHIP HALL
PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION PLAN – SEPTEMBER 2019

- Install 2 ADA-accessible bathrooms, and install plumbing and electricity and create space for future fully-appointed kitchen: $70,000
- Install very basic kitchen – fridge, sink, microwave, hot plate, cabinets, counter for food preparation (NO gas connection and NO hood): $10,000
- Framing classroom / meeting room, church office, closet, and Ladies Guild Shop space: $15,000
- Second Exit / Egress as required by code: $40,000.
- Other expenses: architect, permits, surveys, unforeseen plan changes: $65,000.

GOAL TO RAISE: $200,000

Total Raised as of October 13, 2019: $54,150

Remaining Total Needed to Reach Our Goal: $145,850

If we should complete these tasks under budget, excess funds will be dedicated to the next phases of church renovation and improvement.

HOW CAN I PLEDGE MY FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO THE RENOVATIONS?

Approximately 100 households (a single person or a family) are either parish members or friends of the parish.

On average, $200,000 divided by 100 families is $2,000 per family, **in addition to regular annual stewardship pledges to operate the parish**. This could be spread out, for example:

- OVER 3 YEARS: $2,000 over 3 years = $667 per year … $55.58 per month … $12.83 per week
- OVER 5 YEARS: $2,000 over 5 years = $400 per year … $33.33 per month … $7.70 per week

Some people have been blessed with more materially so can give more than the average.

Some people can give something, even if it is less than the average.

Please be aware that these Renovation pledges and gifts are **in addition to** our annual Stewardship Pledges and pledged contributions which help fund the normal operations of the parish.

The 2nd Annual Diocesan BIBLE BOWL will be held Saturday, November 16, from 10 AM – 2 PM, at Holy Resurrection Church, 285 French Hill Road, Wayne NJ.

Pre-teen: Ages 9-12 Teens: Ages 13-19 Adults: Ages 20+

It would be great to send teams with returning competitors from last year – and add new Bible Bowlers to our teams, too!

Sign Up and get your Practice Questions from Mat. Tamara:
tamarancowan@hotmail.com

DIOCESAN GIRLS' RETREAT NOV. 22-24

"Come As You Are: A Friend Loves At All Times!"

Retreat Leaders:
Danielle Geeza ▪ Lara Haluszczak ▪ Matushka Dennise Kraus ▪ Maria Pappas

The GIRLS' RETREAT is open to all young women in 7th to 12th grades. It will be at Camp Shiloh, NJ. The Registration Deadline is Friday, Nov. 8. Go to the Diocesan Website, www.nynjoca.org and see the Girls' Retreat listing for links to the retreat schedule and registration.

PRAYER LIST

Newly Baptized Maximilian VanLare; Ludmilla Branzow; Olga Ptach; Albi Kavo; Luke Kusick; Edward Kiss; Fr. John Chupeck; Fr. Samuel Kedala; Fr. Paul Kucynda; Fr. Dennis Nagi; Mat. Deborah Belonick and her family; George & Madeline Miroshnikov and the child to be born to them; Eunice Bullock (Nigel's mother); Lawrence DeNoia; Tina Seckerson; Catechumen Judy & Rocco Mastronardi; Frank, Fr. Nicholas & Mat. Anastasia Harris, James & Jane Cowan, Sara Haughton, Aaron Hoskins; Vera Bullock; John Krawchuk; Sharon Turpening; Danielle, Sofia and Stella Miller; Marilyn; Martha Scigliano; Charlie Andonis; children Daniel Markewich, Victoria Saraceno & Charlie; Vera Bouteneff; Ted Chaiko; Nancy Prusak; Honorina Rodriguez; Mary Braig; Marian Harris; Vincent Knarr; Luka & Elena Herman; Nicholas Macagnone; Tanya Balasenowich; the child Alena; Andrew Czuchta; Boris Lyzak; Douglas & Susan Hansen; Bill Bodack; Courtney Lyzak; Suzanne Gee; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. Vitaly Bahanovich, Stephen Hoskins, Leonid Kishkovsky, John Malcom, Josef Petranin, John Reeves, Daniel Skvir, Basil Summer, Dennis Swencki; John Tkachuk, John Zabinko; Matushki Ellen Chupeck, Myra Kovalak, Rebekah Markewich, Alexandra Safchuk, Priscilla Shipley; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness, including Eugen Balasenowich, Sr.; Maria Chouplat; Helen Delandri; Olga Donski; Walter Donski; Irene Homa; Anatole Honczarenko; Olga Juck; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Ryzyk; Edward Wirchansky; for all soldiers, especially Mykola; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence and natural disasters, and refugees; all those suffering chronic illness, financial hardship, loneliness, addiction, abuse, abandonment and despair; all Orthodox seminarians & families; all Orthodox monks and nuns, and all those considering monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families. Birthday: Tatiana Balasenowich (10/26). Asking God's blessing on our labors renovating the Church building.

For blessed repose for the souls of: Newly departed Julia Honczar (Nancy Prusak's aunt, our former parishioner, +10/12), Lidia Kulinicz (+10/10), Nana Tchitchinadze (+9/26); Frank Pugliese (+9/20); Bartholome (+9/18); Gertrude Mach (Samantha Fricke's grandmother, +9/12); Maria Kaspruk (+9/3); ever-memorable Helen Washenko (birthday 10/20), Victor Makarov (+11/28/18); 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.

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!

Tatiana Balasenowich
Elizabeth Bouteneff
Joe Ciamarra
Brandon Ferguson
Samantha Fricke
Kaydee Kowalczyk
Sofia Miller
Stella Miller
Andrew Nolan
Frances Nolan
Peter Nolan
Joshua Ryzyk
Stephanie Ryzyk
Lukas Skalski
Matthew Skalski
Justyna Skalski
Thomas Skalski
Adriana Szpynda
Emily Szpynda
Katherine Wislocki
Olivia Wislocki

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Please tell Fr. David if there are any errors or omissions on this list.

CANDLE SPONSORSHIPS FOR OCTOBER:

Vigil Candles, Icons of Christ and the Theotokos, Departed Members, Wirchansky Family: Janet, Peter, Christina, Anne, Helen & Anastasia. Living: Wirchansky, Seckerson & Carlucci Families. **Vigil Candle, St. Nicholas, South Kliros,** Newly Departed Regina Cataldo and Christina Sceppaquercia.

WISDOM FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

"In feasting, we must narrowly watch ourselves, seeing that banquets can scarcely be celebrated blamelessly. For almost always, luxury accompanies feasting; and when the body is swallowed up in the delight of satisfying itself, the heart relaxes to empty joys."

- Saint Gregory the Great