

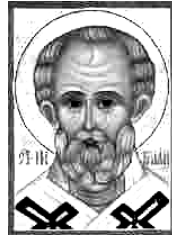
July 18, 2010

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Christ is in our midst! He is and always shall be!

Schedule of Services and Activities

No Saturday Great Vespers in the month of July
Sunday, July 25th – 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy

Welcome to those who are visiting with us today! If you would like more information about the Orthodox faith or would like to speak with the priest, please let our ushers know. We invite you to fill out a visitor card and drop it into the offering basket as your offering today. Please join us for coffee hour after the service!

We are in need of coffee hour sponsors this Summer! Please see Melissa Graff if you can help!

There will be no Saturday evening Vespers served during the month of July.

The Hoagie/Wrap Sale for July will be held this Wednesday, July 21. Prices remain the same: \$5 for an Italian Hoagie or Wrap and \$5.50 for a Turkey Hoagie or Wrap. Orders can be placed by 7 p.m. on Monday, July 19, by emailing mbittner109@verizon.net, calling 412 771-0176 or faxing 412 -771-2111. Thank you.

The baptism of Rhys Joachim Hollowood (son of Juliana and Jeff Hollowood, grandson of Donya and Paul Yewisiak) will take place next Sunday. Everyone is invited to brunch in the church hall after the Liturgy sponsored by the Hollowood and Yewisiak families.

Vacation Church School 2010 will be held Monday-Wednesday, August 16-18. See the insert in today's bulletin for details and to register!

Looking ahead: Our parish picnic will be held at Robinson Park on Sunday, August 22nd. We are seeking leaders to help chair various aspects of the picnic. Please see Michelle Bittner if you can help, as soon as possible!

St Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church, 116 Ella Street, McKees Rocks, will hold their annual Food and Fun Festival Wednesday, July 28th through Saturday, July 31st. Food service begins at 4:00 PM each

day, including Ukrainian Food and baked goods, crafts, religious items, lamb roast, funnel cakes, and games for all ages. Live entertainment daily. Call 412-331-2362 for more information.

The Archdiocesan Youth are invited to an all-nighter at the Carnegie Science Center from Friday night, September 3rd to Saturday morning, September 4th. (Ages 10-17 will be provided chaperones. Under 10 must be accompanied by parent or designated guardian.) Includes Omnimax movie, laser show, planetarium, submarine tour, Sports Works, an evening snack and continental breakfast. Reservation deadline is August 16th. Make checks payable to "84th National FOCA Convention." Contact Helene Emerick at 724-941-4293 for more information.

The 17th Annual Rusyn Food Festival will be held August 5th – 7th from 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM at St John's Carpatho Russian Orthodox Church, Fifth Street in Ambridge, PA. A variety of food and crafts will be available for purchase. The Slavjane Dancers will perform Saturday at 3:00 PM. Call 412-749-0675 for more information.

The Archdiocesan Family Day will be held on Sunday, August 15th at the Archdiocesan Center in Cranberry beginning at 3:00 PM.

Hospital and Illness Notices: **Carol Kowalcheck** was taken to Shadyside Hospital last Sunday and is being treated for abdominal pain. **Valentina Barsom** is recuperating at home after very serious back surgery. Please keep them in your prayers. (Please inform Fr Tom as soon as someone is known to be admitted to the hospital so that he can make every effort to visit them.)

Vigil Light Donations (Please keep the following in your prayers): **From Helen Cobb** for the departed servants, George, Ray Cobb, Fr. Vladimir & Mat. Olga, Darius Walat; for the health of Ruth, Vic, Todd, Aleisha, Dick, Jared, Helen March Shancey, Stephanie Kowal, the Tichy, Fuller, Kasnot, Speth, Wasilko, Barsom, Soroka and Mell families. **From John & Carol Kowalcheck** for the health and salvation of our family. **From Carol Kowalcheck** in thanksgiving to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for all his blessings. **From John Kowalcheck** for the health of Carol Ann Kowalcheck. **From David Namisnak** for the departed servants, Melissa Torok and Frank & Anna Namisnak; for the health of Marsha, Helen Shancey and Stanley Pop; safe trip for Chuck, Doris and Marsha Wasilko. **From Helen March Shancey** for the departed servants, Richard Shancey, John March, Danny Parsons, Bobby Parsons and Melissa Torok; for the health of Dr. Chris Baxter & family, Namisnak family, Fr. Thomas, Dn. Joe Mell and all the parishioners. **From Alexandria Tirpak** for the departed servants (parents & grandparents) Amelia & John, Marie & Nicholas, Ann & Frank, (brother & nephew) Nicholas & Nicholas and Michael; for the health of (children), Amelia, Andrea, Richard & their families, John, Theodore, Carol, Nancy, Mildred, Violet, JoAnn; Happy Birthday to granddaughter, Aleah (5) and dear friend, Joyce; Community of St. Nicholas Parish; men & women serving our country; special intentions; God Bless America; special intentions.

*This bulletin is offered by Alex and Olga Noskov in memory of
mother, Zoe, and brother, Alexiy.*

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Tone 7 *Troparion of the Resurrection*

By Thy cross, Thou didst destroy death!
To the thief, Thou didst open paradise!
For the myrrh-bearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy!
And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God
to proclaim that Thou art risen,
granting the world great mercy.

Tone 7 *Kontakion of the Resurrection*

The dominion of death
can no longer hold men captive,
for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers!
Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry:
The Savior has come to those in faith,
Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

Tone 6 *Kontakion of the Theotokos*

Steadfast protectress of Christians,
constant advocate before the creator,
do not despise the cry of us sinners,
but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith.
Hasten to hear our intercessions and to intercede for us, O Theotokos
For you always protect those who honor you.

Tone 7 *Prokeimenon* (Psalm 29)

The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

Epistle (I Cor 1:10-18)

Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name. Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I baptized any other. For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Gospel (Matthew 14:14-22)

And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food."

But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish."

He said, "Bring them here to Me." Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest!

*While Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians
who prepare themselves by prayer and fasting,
non-Orthodox visitors are welcome to come forward to venerate the cross
and receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) at the conclusion of the service.
Please join us downstairs for coffee hour following the Divine Liturgy.*