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## Celebrating 49 years of Proclaiming the Truth of Orthodox Christianity

# SUNDAY MARCH 11, 2012

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT** — **Tone 6. St. Gregory Palamas.** St. Sophronius, Patriarch of Jerusalem. St. Euthymius, Bishop of Novgorod. Hieromartyr Pionius of Smyrna and those with him: Asclepiades, Macedonia, Linus, and Sabina. Translation of the Relics of Martyr Epimachus of Pelusium. St. Sophronius, Bishop of Vracha. Ven. Sophronii, Recluse, of the Kiev Caves.

**Epistle:** Hebrews 7:26-8:2 **Gospel**: John 10:9-16 Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Mark 2:1-12

### **UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:**

Mar 11, Sun: St. Gregory Palamas. Adult Ed -9:30am; Divine Liturgy -9:30am; M. Olga Kovach

Memorial; Church School -11am; Fellowship -11:15am; Mission Vespers (Minersville) -4pm

*Hour Readers:* (3<sup>rd</sup>) **Scott Staller** (6<sup>th</sup>) **Leavitt Keener** • Altar Servers – **All welcome** 

Mar 14, Wed: Bible Study (33 N 2<sup>nd</sup> St) –noon; Pan-Orthodox Pre-Sanctified Liturgy (Holy Trinity

Cathedra, Camp Hill) - 6pm. (Please note the time)

Mar 15, Thu: Martyr Agapius. "O" Club Meeting -7pm

Mar 16, Fri: Vespers (St. Patrick) - 6:30pm

Mar 17, Sat: Memorial Saturday, St. Patrick. Divine Liturgy – 9:30am; Vespers & Confession -

6:00pm

Mar 18, Sun: Ven. Precious Cross. Adult Ed -8:30am; Divine Liturgy -9:30am; Church School -

11am; Fellowship -11:15am; Mission Vespers (McAdoo) -4pm

Hour Readers: (3<sup>rd</sup>) Bill Kuchta (6<sup>th</sup>) Chris Dupkanick • Altar Servers – All welcome

- ANCIENTFAITHRADIO.COM 24 hour Orthodox Internet Radio
- OrthodoxyinAmerica.org (Traveling or Going on Vacation?) check it out!

**WELGOME TO OUR VISITORS!!!** Please join us for fellowship in the church hall and sign our guest book in the vestibule. **If you are interested in becoming a part of our community please ask to speak to Fr. Stephen. Please note:** Only those faithful who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves by fasting *(from all food and drink from midnight)*, prayer, and recent confession; and who were present for the reading of the Epistle and Gospel, should approach to receive the Eucharist.

## PARISH PRAYER LIST:

Please remember the following persons during your daily morning and evening prayers. **Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.** Submit names to the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

<u>Ailing</u>: Salwa Shunnara; Scott Blazek (Troy's brother); Carrie Faust, Lynn Wheeler, Emily Campbell, Landon Payne (friends and family of Jerry & Ann Cole); Diane Broskey, Joseph Salvador(Libby's niece & nephew); Barbara Lee Pickering (niece of Gloria Maliniak); Saba Ghebressellassie; Irene Priggin's (Christine's mother); Lou DiNafo (Moe's son-in-law); Joan Sysak; Francis Friel (infant son of Lorrie Pawlush's friend); Theodore Demopolous (Samantha's father); Diane Chambers and Marlene Kalenak (Anna Doray's daughter and neice); Jamie Krempasky & Irene Pagel (George's daughter and friend); Keturah Faust (J. Barns and L. Shuga's friend); Matthew Kocsis; Pauline Lapinsky, & John Fatich (Janet Kuzupas' siblings); Christine and Steve Demchak (Sue's sister and brother)

Health & well-being: Fr. Adam & M. Angie Sexton and family; Jeff Wevodau (Joanne's brother-in-law); Lissa Semic; infants Cole John & Gabriella and their parents John and Amanda Schilling; Alexandra Wurster (Bill Kuchta's sister); Lowell Lundberg, Christine Kihm, Addison Holl & Van Milbrand (friends of Larry Smith's); Elizabeth & Paul Pellegrini; Betty Wevodau (Joanne's mother-in-law); Becky Voras (friend of Lydia Mantle); Robin Kuzupas; Addison, Judy & Greg (family of Christine Priggins); Dr. Joseph & Barbara Norato; Mattie Martin; Margaret & Cecilia Hunt, (Aunt & Cousin of Larry Smith); Myron Starinshak (Libby's brother); Willard Brown; Thomas Ridenour & Christian Ridenour (son & grandson of Suzanne Mioff); Joe Demchak; Tom & Bernadine Antolick (Mary Ellen Osuch's sister & brother-in-law); Archpriest Alexander Atty; Home-bound & in Care Facilities: Betty Danko; Agnes Risser; Millicent Russell; Shirley Sass; Nicholas Essis; Military: Stephanie King; Jessica Shingara; Kevin Leonhard; Matthew Pylypciw; Steven Heberle; Thomas Shingara; Sponsored Seminarian: Fr. Ian & M. Priscilla Shipley and family; OCMC Missionary: Christina Semon; Catechumen(s): Dana Watt; John & Sharon Shingara; Jonathan Dunnavent; Expectant Mother(s): Rebecca Lange; Natalie Schilling Murphy; Viviana Leija Sysak; Pelegia Adams and the children to be born of them;

<u>Newly Departed</u>: Joseph Graham (Tatiana's father-in-law) – March 4; Michael Drobish (Harry Sysak's friend) - Feb 9; Luis Baez – Feb 28<sup>th</sup>; John Daiz (Manny's Uncle) – Feb 29; Yelena Kurylo – Feb 14; Susan Strenski (Janet Kuzupas' sister) – Feb 9; Naomi Hershey (friend of the Coles) – Feb 8; William Homisak (Nick Somple's uncle) - Feb 4; Protopresbyter Joseph Kreta - Feb 2;

Anniversaries of Those Departed: M. Anne E. Prislopsky, mother of Mat. Theodora, Mar 11 – 15<sup>th</sup>; Margaret Kocher, Joanne Wevodau's aunt, Mar 11 -4<sup>th</sup>; Metropolitan NICHOLAS, Mar -13 -1<sup>st</sup>; Steve Dragla, Mar 14 – 33<sup>rd</sup>; Thomas Middlesworth, Mar 14 – 22<sup>rd</sup>; Edna Shuler, mother of June Taleff, Mar 15 -27<sup>th</sup>; Sue Mandell, Mar 15 -13<sup>th</sup>; Dorothy Cassel, Mar 15 -19<sup>th</sup>; John Paraschak, Dotty Fedetz's brother-in-law, Mar 16 -2<sup>rd</sup>; Metropolitan LAURUS, Mar 16 -4<sup>th</sup>; Harold Johnson, Hatti Kaznowsky's brother, Mar 16 -4<sup>th</sup>; Joseph Smart, father of Jo-Ann Nesko, Mar 16 – 18<sup>th</sup>; Thomas Karins, step-father of Candi Ressetar, Mar 16 – 6<sup>th</sup>; Mary Young, Mar 16 – 3<sup>rd</sup>; Mary Berech Solovey, Mar 17 – 34<sup>th</sup>; Stephen Macut, husband of Katharine, Mar 17 – 18<sup>th</sup>; John Yerega, uncle of Carl Hisiro, Mar 17 -10<sup>th</sup>;

<u>Candle Offerings:</u> For information on how to purchase commemoration candles, please go to the candle desk or speak with one of the vestrymen. <u>Please note:</u> offerings must be in the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

- Seven Day Votive is offered in Health & Salvation of Joe Demchak, from Suzanne Demchak
- Seven beeswax candles on (Altar table on 2/19/12) were offered in Memory of Susan Strenski, newly departed this life, from her sister, Janet Kuzupas
- Seven Decorated candles on (Altar table) are offered in Memory of M. Olga, wife of Fr. Michael
- Two beeswax candles (on Oblation table) are offered in Memory of Protopresbyter Joseph Kreta, on the 40 days of departing this life, from Dorothy & Harry Sysak
- Two beeswax candles (Before the icon of Christ) are offered Health & Salvation of Edward Miele and offered in Memory of Michael & Julia Brelinsky, husband & parents of Sonya.

<u>Many Years</u>: Please submit to <u>ctsocahbg@aol.com</u> by the preceding Wednesday.

<u>Birthdays</u>: Lauren Hatalowich – Mar 11; Lydia Mantle – Mar 12; Gregory Ressetar – Mar 14; Joan Dupkanick – Mar 14; Sarah Somple – Mar 14; Salwa Shunnara – Mar 16

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS:

**REMINDER:** Cut down and store your **pussy willows** for our Palm Sunday celebrations!

**SALES DESK:** Sunday, March 11, and March 18 all books and music will be on sale for 10% off. Some exclusion may apply. Also available are Church Divine Liturgy Books, Daily pocket calendars, and Pascha Basket covers. See Evelyn Krempasky during the Fellowship Hour

<u>Annual Lenten Soup Sales</u>: Every Sunday during Lent (except March 25) our Men's Club will be providing soup and bread at fellowship. There is a "free will" offering & proceeds will be donated to **The Smile Train** (a nonprofit organization which helps provide cleft lip and cleft palate surgery to children in need).

<u>Easter Candy:</u> The colorful order forms are located in the vestibule. Orders are due **Sunday,**March 11<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please see Dave Martin

**<u>Nut Roll Baking Schedule –</u>** The following is the work schedule for Easter nut roll baking:

Set-Up – Monday, March 26 at 9:00 am. Baking – Tuesday, March 27 at 8:00 am. Bagging and Clean-Up – Tuesday, March 27 at 6:00 pm. Baking – Wednesday, March 28 at 8:00 am. Bagging and Clean-Up – Wednesday, March 28 following Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

<u>Please note:</u> Nut Roll orders are due **Mon, March 19<sup>th</sup>.** The price is **\$12 per roll** for walnut, poppy, or apricot. Please contact Jean Dotsey (566-0395) or Dotty Fedetz (652-3264) with your orders.

Gift Card Program: The latest gift card order forms (in green) are in the candle stand.

<u>SAVE THE DATE:</u> On **Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** (Annunciation) the **St. Tikhon Seminary Men's Choir** will be visiting our parish and singing the responses at the Divine Liturgy. This annual visit is anticipated by all, and you are encouraged to invite your family and friends to "come and see" – and hear.

**Parish Fish Dinner:** Will be held **Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** following *Divine Liturgy.* Please see the sign up list in the vestibule to help in our preparations. Cost is \$10 for adults & children under 12 are free. Please note proceeds raised will be donated to the **Seminary Housing Project.** The menu will consist of Haddock, fish sticks for younger children, rice pilaf, stir fry vegetables, and dessert (the dessert is being provided by those on coffee hour).

**Service Trip Support: Skye Hisiro** will attend a two-week service trip to South Africa in mid-May sponsored by the Honors Program at West Chester University. She will be volunteering for 3 philanthropies involving clinics for children with HIV/AIDs and a soup kitchen in or near Johannesburg. To help support this trip, Karns Foods is offering a **voucher program** during the week of **March 26 - April 1**. They will donate 5% of your total purchase toward the trip. Just hand the voucher at checkout to the cashier. Note: Any Karns store (not just the one in Harrisburg) should accept it. If you have any problems or questions please see Carl Hisiro. Vouchers can be found at the back of the church near the candles.

**Seminarian Support:** Our parish is once again offering a half scholarship to **Fr. Ian and M. Priscilla Shipley** and family for this academic year. We are given the challenge to raise \$3,750.00 in support of his tuition. Please make checks payable to "Christ the Saviour" and write "Seminarian Support" on the memo line. Thank you for your continued generosity!

<u>Fellowship Hour Schedule:</u> Parishioners are asked to help by bringing at least **48** servings of baked goods and to serve them during their assigned fellowship hour. Please check the dates below and mark your calendar accordingly. *The complete list through next May 2012 is available at the parish hall.* If you are unable to be at church on your scheduled date contact **Nadzia Schilling** at 652-2759.

Mar 11:\* Jean Dotsey Donna Bretz Sue Dotsey
Mar 18:\* Jennifer Firestine Kathy Pankiw Deb McGinnes
Mar 25:\* Marianne Wood Sandy Wood Vicky Henry
\*Great Lent, we ask that you provide baked goods made without eggs or dairy products.

LAST SUNDAY LITURGY ATTENDANCE: 166

#### EVENTS AROUND OUR ORTHODOX GOMMUNITY

**<u>Volunteer Opportunity:</u>** Agia Sophia Coffee House & Bookstore is seeking parishioners to volunteer. Please see Joanne Wevodau at <a href="mailto:jwevodau@verizon.net">jwevodau@verizon.net</a> with any inquiries.

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Pan-Orthodox Young Adult Fellowship Retreat:** will be held on **Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 4pm**, at Holy Apostles Orthodox Mission in Mechanicsburg, PA. This year Fr. John Reeves from Holy Trinity OCA in State College will present on the topic "Lord, Increase Our Faith." Persons of any age are welcome to attend. Please contact Phil Graybill at philipgraybill@gmail.com or 814-935-6416 for more information

<u>Children's Orthodox Book Signing</u>: Sheena Hisiro will be holding three upcoming book signings for a new children's book she illustrated called "Josiah and Julia Go to Church." The book is a young child's guide to church etiquette and was written by Kelly Ramke Lardin. Our church is featured in the book as well as at least a few other familiar faces. The book signings will be held **Saturday, Apr. 28, and Tuesday, May 1, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.** at the Agia Sophia Bookstore and Coffee Shop and on **Sunday, April 29** at our church during Fellowship hour. To learn more about what Sheena is doing, visit her website at <a href="https://www.oodlesofdoodles.tumblr.com">www.oodlesofdoodles.tumblr.com</a>.

<u>Six Days of Creation Icon painting course:</u> Master Iconographer Ksenia Pokrovsky will again be teaching a six-day course in the ancient and traditional technique of icon painting at **St. Tikhon Orthodox Seminary in South Canaan, PA, June 17- 23, 2012.** For more information please visit <a href="http://hexaemeron.org">http://hexaemeron.org</a> or call 859-608-3608; email: <a href="https://icon@hexaemeron.org">icon@hexaemeron.org</a>.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY MARCH 11, 2012

## Hebrews 7:26-8:2 (Epistle, Saint)

Brethren, <sup>26</sup> for such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; <sup>27</sup> who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself. <sup>28</sup> For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, appoints the Son who has been perfected forever. <sup>1</sup>Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, <sup>2</sup> a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man.

## Hebrews 1:10-2:3 (Epistle)

In the beginning You Lord laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. <sup>11</sup> They will perish, but You remain; And they will all grow old like a garment; <sup>12</sup> Like a cloak You will fold them up, And they will be changed. But You are the same, And Your years will not fail." <sup>13</sup> But to which of the angels has He ever said: "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool"? <sup>14</sup> Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation? <sup>1</sup>Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. <sup>2</sup> For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, <sup>3</sup> how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him.

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## John 10:9-16 (Gospel, Saint)

The Lord said, "I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. <sup>10</sup> The thief does not come except to steal life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup> And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd., and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. <sup>11</sup> "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup> But a hireling, he who is not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them. <sup>13</sup> The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep. <sup>14</sup> I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own. <sup>15</sup> As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup> And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd.

## Mark 2:1-12 (Gospel)

At that time, Jesus entered Capernaum, and it was heard that He was in the house. <sup>2</sup> Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. <sup>3</sup>Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four *men*. <sup>4</sup> And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. <sup>5</sup> When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." <sup>6</sup> And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, <sup>7</sup> "Why does this *Man* speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" 8 But immediately. when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, "Why do you reason about these things in your hearts? 9 Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise, take up your bed and walk'? 10 But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—He said to the paralytic, 11 "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." 12 Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!

GLORY TO THEE O LORD, GLORY TO THEE!