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September 17, 2006

14th Sunday after Pentecost; Tone 5; Afterfeast of the Elevation of the Cross; commemorating Martyr Sophia and her three daughters: Faith, Hope and Love, at Rome; Martyr Theodota at Nicea

Readings:

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20 and 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4
Gospel: Saint Mark 8:34-9:1 and Saint Matthew 22:1-14

- 8:00 a.m.**—Orthodox Radio on AM 720 WW II
- 8:55 a.m.**—Prayers of Repentance, Confessions
- 9:00 a.m.**—Church School Classes
- 9:30 a.m.**—Prayers of Repentance, Confessions
- 9:40 a.m.**—Reading of the Third and Sixth Hours
- 10:00 a.m.**—Divine Liturgy, Sermon, Student and Senior A cappella Choirs
- 11:45 a.m.**—Fellowship
- 12 Noon-7 p.m.**—Pan-Orthodox Picnic at Serb Park
- 12:30 p.m.**—Baptism



Calendar:

- Sept 18, Mon:** Parish Council Meeting—7 p.m.
- Sept 19, Tue:** Church Choir rehearsal—7:30 p.m.
- Sept 21, Thu:** Orthodox Bible Study—7 p.m.
- Sept 23, Sat:** Parish Hall Set-up—9:00 a.m.; Vespers—7 p.m.
- Sept 24, Sun:** 720 AM Radio—8 a.m.; Students gather, Procession, Vesting, The third Hour, Hierarchical Divine

Liturgy—9:15 a.m.; Fellowship—11:45 a.m.; Retirement Dinner for Father Dan—1 p.m.

- Sept 25, Mon:** Men's Club Meeting—7:30 p.m.
- Sept 28, Thu:** Pan-Orthodox Academy Meeting at St. Nicholas Church in Steelton—7:00 p.m.
- Sept 29, Fri:** Chinese Auction Set up—8:00 p.m.
- Sept 30, Sat:** Great Vespers—7:00 p.m.

Today's Prayers: Please remember those mentioned here in your daily prayers in the morning and in the evening, at home and in church. The detailed prayer list is published once a month in the parish mailing. However, the names will be mentioned during the Liturgy of Preparation every Sunday. Parishioners are urged to update or delete their prayer listings.



Those Ailing: **Olga Slupatchuk**, aunt of Sue Wolfe; **Mother Christophora**; **Dottie Fedetz** recovering from foot surgery at home; **Bob Williams**, brother-in-law of Debbie McGinnis; **Peter Melnik**; **Helen Hisiro**, Carl's mother; John Daniluck; **Archbishop Kyril of Pittsburgh**; **Tanner Carmen**, great nephew of Betty Pellegrini; **Dorothy Pellegrini**, cousin of Paul Pellegrini; **Alexander Galvin**, 4-yr old grand-nephew of Evelyn Krempasky; **Irene Manura** at Hershey Medical Center; **Gregory Burch**, Marge Balog's nephew; **Johnny Farrow** Health South #409;

Taso, friend of Kat; **Anna Pampalona** sister of Janet Kuzupas;

Health and well-being of: **Mary Essock and Katherine Pilc**, sisters of George Krempasky; **Russ Sass**;

Newly Departed from This Life:

Alexandra "Alice" Yankosky—Sept 6th; **Archpriest Raphael Biernecki**; **Nicholas Zedlovich**, brother-in-law of Evelyn Krempasky; **Mary James**, 83, sister-in law of Gloria Maliniak; **Lynne Hoppe (OCMC)**—Aug 27th; **Boris Kudrikoff**, 92 of Ansonia, CT, cousin of Matushka Ressetar; **Priest Michael Shear**—Aug 17th; **Louis Shunnara**—Aug 13th; **Joseph Manura**—Aug 9th, brother of Helen Yannone; **Mary Oselinsky**—Aug 7th, mother of Father Dimitri;

Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life:

Maria Galustyan, mother of Elena Sarkisova, September 17th is the 13th anniversary;
Mousa S. Shunnara, September 19th is the 8th anniversary;
Anna Repko, September 21st is the 1st anniversary;
Cathern Onufrak, September 22nd is the 7th anniversary;
Fr. Vladimir Prislowsky, father of Matushka Theodora, September 23rd is the 36th anniversary;
Emma Kagramanov, sister of Elena Sarkisova, September 23rd is the 18th anniversary;



Candle Offering:

Seven Day Eternal Lamp Votive Candles are offered for **Matthew N. Sysak and Viviana Leija** and their marriage on September 23, 2006.

Two decorated candles were placed on the center table on Sunday, September 10th in memory of Audrey C. Hatalovich by Mr. & Mrs. George Hatalovich. She was George's mother.

Many Years (Names for the singing of MANY YEARS after the Sunday Divine Liturgy will be accepted for publication in the weekly bulletin. Please email ctsocahbg@aol.com with the information.)

Michael and Janice Zuro will celebrate their wedding anniversary on **September 20th**.

Father Michael Kovach will celebrate the **63rd anniversary of his ordination into the priesthood** of the Orthodox Church on **September 21st**.

Paul and Mary Ann Hadginske will celebrate their wedding anniversary on **September 22nd**.

Ron Hancher Sr. will celebrate his birthday on **September 23rd**.

TODAYS NEWS

A PAN-ORTHODOX PICNIC sponsored by The Orthodox Council of Churches of South Central PA will be held today from 12-7 p.m. at Serb Park in Oberlin, Steelton (Eisenhower Blvd off Route 293 near the PA Turnpike Exit 19). Ethnic Pastries and Food including Roast Lamb will be available.

NEXT SUNDAY: A retirement dinner will be held in our Parish Hall for Fr. Dan after church. Please plan to join us for this memorable event. If you have not purchased your tickets and wish to attend, please contact David Martin at 545-7216 or John Dotsey at 566-0395. Seating will be limited. Cost for adult tickets is \$20.00; a special meal will be provided for children 12 years of age and younger at no charge.

Invited to attend the Retirement Dinner for Father Dan on Sunday, **September 24th** are His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman; His Grace, Bishop Tikhon; and Archdeacon Alexei Klimitchev. They will co-celebrate the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy earlier at 9:30 a.m. assisted by Deacon Joseph Kreta.

SPECIAL THANKS goes to **Jerry & Mary White** for taking care of arrangements for portraits for our new church directory. Thanks also go to Brenda, our secretary, and to those who helped to sign up parishioners during the photographic sessions.

PARISH NEWS

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY: Olan Mills photographed our parishioners on Sept. 11th and 12th. If you missed these sessions, it's not too late! You can have your photo taken on Wednesday, Sept. 27th or Thursday, Sept. 28th at the Camp Hill Presbyterian Church (737-2070). You will receive a free 8x10 photo as well as a new Church Directory.

If you opted to submit a snapshot, please submit the photo to Mary White or Janice Zuro as soon as possible. Thank you.

THANK YOU: To the parishioners of Christ the Saviour parish, I wish to thank all the parishioners who sent cards and prayed for my health and recovery. It was very much appreciated and I am grateful for it. ~Russell Sass

CELLPHONES that are being discarded should be brought to church. There is a box in the narthex. The Junior "O" Club recycles them as a fund raising project. Help the youth! *Please shut off your cell phones or place the ring to vibrate before entering the church!*

PARENTS: Send, bring, call in, or email your son's and daughter's college addresses to the church. Even if there is no change, please, submit their addresses.

BAKING FOR RETIREMENT DINNER – Members of the parish will be baking cookies for Father Dan's retirement dinner. Baking will be done on Wednesday, September 20 at 9:00 a.m. in the church hall. Any and all help would be greatly appreciated.

FUTURE EVENTS

OCTOBER 1st: Mark your calendar for our annual Chinese Auction. Donations are being sought of new, unused items. Please drop off your donations in the church basement no later than **Sun.**

Sept. 24th (the same day as the retirement dinner for Fr. Dan). We are looking for gift cards or certificates, cash, children's games & toys, Household items, jewelry, tools, lawn & garden equipment, books, CDs, DVDs or tapes and anything else that can be used by someone. Please - NO used items. Any questions - please call Alice Mallick (717-939-4154) or Lydia Mantle (717-221-0656).



OCTOBER 8th: On **Sunday, October 8, 2006 Holy Apostles Orthodox Mission** will hold its first ever Dinner Dance from 1:30 PM to 7:00 PM at the Radisson Penn-Harris in Camp Hill, PA! Dinner Dance 2006 is their first major event and our kickoff to the Building Fund. We hope that you will be able to take part in this celebration with our community. The event will feature door prizes, a silent auction and live music by the Cruise Control Band.

Adult Dinner tickets are available for \$50 each. Tickets for children 12 years of age or younger are \$10 each; tables for eight adults are also available for \$350, a savings of \$50! Tickets will not be available for purchase the day of the event, the deadline for ticket orders is next Sunday, **Sept. 24**; printed forms are available at Christ the Saviour's church office.

OCTOBER 22nd: The Spirit of Orthodoxy Choir directed by Aleksei V. Shipovanikov will present a concert Sunday, **October 22nd at 5:00 p.m.** at Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church, 5501 Locust Lane, Colonial Park, Harrisburg, PA.

COME RECEIVE THE LIGHT will broadcast the following program next Sundays from 8 am. To 8:30 am. On AM 720—Tune in...

09/24/2006 Orthodox Treasured Traditions — Presbyteria Mary Paloumpis Hallick, Ed. D

Have you ever wonder where we get certain traditions and customs in the Orthodox Christian faith? Why do we break eggs after the Resurrection service? Why do we use Koliva for the memorial services? Be sure to join Fr. Chris and Emmy when they speak with Presbyteria Mary Hallick, author of Treasured Traditions and Customs of the Orthodox Church as Presbyteria Mary shares her insight and knowledge of different traditions and customs within the various Orthodox Christian Churches.

10/01/2006 Orthodox Children's Literature — Fr. Richard Rene

Join Fr. Chris and Emmy as they speak with Fr. Richard Rene, author of Children's short stories and books. He will help clarify what elements are necessary for good Orthodox children's literature. Be sure to listen as Fr. Rene gives us the tools of discernment needed to judge symbolism, images and elements of good and evil in children's literature.

Task Force to review present organizational structure, staffing of OCA Central Administration, to be established

SYOSSET, NY [OCA Communications] — In a letter addressed dated September 7, 2006, His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman, directed the Very Rev. Paul Kucynda, secretary of the Orthodox Church in America, to "organize a Task Force to review the present organizational structure and staffing of the OCA Central Administration and to make recommendations to me for improvements in efficiency, effectiveness, and operational expenses in the organization, particularly as they relate to realistic anticipated income for 2006 and 2007."

Metropolitan Herman further requested that "by November 1, 2006, the Task Force should provide me with an appropriate organizational chart, job descriptions, and related structural/staffing proposals to replace the one in use since 2001.

"With this letter, I also reaffirm that under my supervision, my previous directive for you to coordinate the implementation of best practices in the day to day operations of the OCA Central Administration, remains in effect," the letter continues. "I request that the Best Practices Task Force prepare a progress

report for the Meeting of the Lesser Synod of Bishops, scheduled for September 21, 2006."

Metropolitan Herman continued by requesting "that a working draft of the best practices document, which is presently being reviewed by the members of the Metropolitan Council, be prepared in final draft for further action by the Metropolitan Council when it meets on September 28-29, 2006.

"Further, I reaffirm that the work that began at my direction after the 2005 Fall Meeting of the Metropolitan Council and in response to the decision of the Council, as well as the selection of competent volunteers for this project from among the general membership of the Church, is to continue until a final text is acceptable to the Metropolitan Council," the letter concludes. "Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to all who have and are offering their talents and abilities in this important work as their gift of stewardship to Jesus Christ and His Holy Church."

Copies of the letter were sent to all members of the Holy Synod of Bishops and the Metropolitan Council.

**Orthodox Christian Academy
Planning Session**

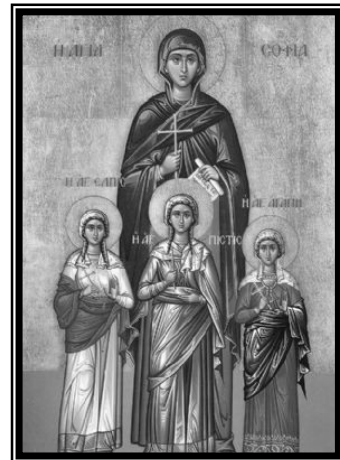


**Come Learn about this EXCITING
Pan-Orthodox School & Center!**

Place: St. Nicholas Serbian
Orthodox Church
601 S. Harrisburg St
Steelton (Oberlin), PA
Date: September 28th, 2006!
Time: 6:30-8:00pm

**You're Invited!
Bring a Friend!**

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Rev. Deacon Joe Kreta: jkreta@erols.com



**A Look at Our Saints — Sophia and Her
Three Daughters: Faith, Hope and Love**

These Saints were from Italy and contested for the Faith about the year 126, during the reign of the Emperor Hadrian. Faith was twelve years old, Hope, ten, and Love, nine; each was tormented and then beheaded, from the eldest to the youngest. Their mother Sophia mourned at their grave for three days, where she also fell asleep in peace; because of her courageous endurance in the face of her daughters' sufferings, she is also counted a martyr. The name Sophia means "wisdom" in Greek; as for her daughters' names, Faith, Hope, and Love (Charity), they are Pistis, Elpis, and Agape in Greek, and Vera, Nadezhda, and Lyubov in Russian.

Rejoice O life giving cross, unconquerable trophy of Godliness, door to paradise, strength of the faithful, rampart set about the church. Through thee corruption is vanished, and the pow'r of death is swallowed up, and we are raised from earth to heaven: Invincible weapon, adversary of evil, the Glory of Martyrs, adornment of all the Saints. Haven of salvation bestowing on the world great mercy.

~ Apostolic Verse from the Elevation of the Holy Cross

September 17 designated "College Student Sunday" by SCOBA hierarchs

The Standing Conference of Canonical Orthodox Bishops in the Americas [SCOBA] has designated Sunday, September 17, as "College Student Sunday" in an effort to offer encouragement to Orthodox Christian young adults pursuing college and university studies while highlighting the work of the Orthodox Christian Fellowship, a SCOBA ministry.

His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman, Primate of The Orthodox Church in America, joined His Eminence, Archbishop Demetrios of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, SCOBA chairman, and other hierarchs in signing the encyclical.

The text of the encyclical reads as follows.

"You therefore, beloved, beware lest you be carried away with error... But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" [2 Peter 3:17-18].

"As Hierarchs of the Standing Conference of Canonical Orthodox Bishops in the Americas, we greet you with the love of Christ, on this first Sunday after the Feast of the Exaltation of His most precious Cross. Each year, we designate this day as College Student Sunday, a day when we ask all of you, our beloved faithful, to keep our young college students in your minds, thoughts, and prayers as they grow in the knowledge of Christ and learn to walk in His love.

"For many students, the college years are perhaps the most formative ones in life. The task of learning how to balance study and recreation, the prospect of encountering challenging ideas in the classroom, the idea of living in close quarters with a roommate who might offer an entirely foreign world view or perspective on life, and the first encounter with total and complete freedom outside the family environment can be altogether exciting experiences for the college student. However, they can also be quite confusing and disorienting.

"It is the common experience of many young college students that within a matter of months upon entering college, and indeed throughout the college experience, the college student is challenged by central questions of identity: "Who am I? What am I supposed to do with my life? Who do I consider my close friends in this new-found environment?" are among the myriad of such questions. Inevitably, the question of identity as it pertains to the question of God also arises, a question that, once in the calm and comfort of home had been long taken for granted, suddenly arises with a sharp pang as if from nowhere: "What exactly is my religious identity?" This question is a burning question that begs for an answer, and this is precisely why the Orthodox Christian Fellowship [OCF] was instituted, to provide Orthodox Christian students in college with a community to support them as they seek the answers to the questions that they face. Today, the OCF has over 200 chapters on college and university campuses throughout North America. For six years now, OCF has been formally reestablished as the official campus ministry of SCOBA, and its evolution is noteworthy. What once began as a grass-roots movement among Orthodox Christian college

students now receives our full and committed support. Its impact on our Orthodox students' lives is significant.

"On many college and university campuses, Orthodox students have their meals together, socialize together, and on some campuses have even established formal housing arrangements with their college's housing departments. Though many students are able to attend a weekly Vespers service through the visitations of a nearby priest who has placed college outreach as a vital part of his active ministry, it is not uncommon for Orthodox Christian college students and their friends to travel to nearby Orthodox Churches for Sunday Divine Liturgy, Vespers, and the full cycle of Lenten services. These students, who away from their homes are seeking answers to burning questions of faith, bring a renewed vitality and a passion for the Gospel which can very often serve to energize the entire parish. They sing in the choir, chant the Epistle, serve in the Altar, teach in Church School programs, and host coffee hours. Their impact is noticeable, and their role in building up the Orthodox Church is vital.

"In affirming our support as hierarchs to our OCF program, we kindly ask our clergy to take a collection from every parish to support this important national ministry, which aids students in their search for religious meaning and fellowship. Equally important, we ask that our clergy afford college students in their parishes with the opportunity to speak to parish members about their experiences with OCF during their college years, and to be mindful of the many college and university campuses that still do not have OCF chapters. Our national OCF office in Boston, Massachusetts, is fully staffed with professionals who are ready to assist students and area clergy who would like to begin the process of starting a chapter.

"With warm thanks for your support of this ministry, we extend our heartfelt prayer to our college students that they may experience their college years as Saint Peter describes in his epistle, as years to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

Other hierarchs signing the encyclical included His Eminence, Metropolitan Philip of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America, SCOBA vice chairman; His Eminence, Metropolitan Christopher of the Serbian Orthodox Church in the USA and Canada, SCOBA secretary; His Eminence, Archbishop Nicolae of the Romanian Orthodox Archdiocese in America and Canada; His Eminence, Metropolitan Nicholas of Amissos of the American-Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese in the USA, SCOBA treasurer; His Eminence, Metropolitan Joseph of the Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Church; His Eminence, Metropolitan Constantine of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA; and His Grace, Bishop Ilija of Philomelion of the Albanian Orthodox Diocese of America.

Pray for our College Students:

Helen Ambartsumian
Saba Awali
Habtom Gebremichael
Michael Hadginske
Jessica Henry
Sheena Hisiro
Michael Intrieri
Angelica Krut
Marisa Montany
Christine Neumann
Hope Newhouse
Alexandra Pawlush
Matthew Pylypciw
Nicholas Schilling
Ruth A Sysak
Jonathan Taleff
Justina Uram
Nicholas Zuro

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Georgia
Drexel University
Wilkes University
Penn State University
Pratt Institute of Art
University of Pittsburgh
University of Pennsylvania
Central Pennsylvania Youth Ballet
Messiah College
Skidmore College
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West Chester University
George Washington University
Penn State University
Dickinson School of Law
Harrisburg Area Community College