

The Weekly Messenger – July 16, 2017

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Epistle: Titus 3:8-15

Gospel: Matthew 5:14-19

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost On the Sunday that falls from the 13th to the 19th of the present month, we chant the Service to the Holy and God-bearing Fathers who came together in the Seven Ecumenical Councils, that is: the First Council, of the 318 Fathers who assembled in Nicaea in 325 to condemn Arius, who denied that the Son of God is consubstantial with the Father; the Fathers of the First Council also ordained that the whole Church should celebrate Pascha according to the same reckoning; read more: <https://www.goarch.org/chapel/saints?contentid=1182&PCode=4ECS&D=S&DT=7/16/2017>

Commemorations for the Departed: Ted Lescas, Jorgjia Kashari, Father Deacon Stephen Stefani and those servicemen and women who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their Country.

Commemorations for the Living: Katerina & Enea, Sara, Michael Cosmo, Wayne Merkle, Richard Moon, Paul Dimitri, Elizabeth Jones, Tom Zoidis, John Kolea Jr, William Spiro, Ann Gjoka, Virginia Daka, Katherine Halkedis, Haretina (Papa) Milo, Margarita, Peter Melnik, Kim Burdumy, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in the Armed Forces.

Meshe our supply of Meshe is still low. If you would like to make Meshe we will greatly appreciate your donation. Thank you to those who have made Meshe in the past.

Parishioner News: Congratulations and Many Years to Katerina Savva & Enea Dhimitri who were married last Sunday. Wishing you a lifetime of happiness!

Home Visitations: Father Brooks has posted dates (through August) for his home blessing and visitations. Father Brooks wants to visit all of our parishioners. No one lives too far away, it is not inconvenient, it is not a bother! If you have not signed up please do so on the sheets posted in the side vestibule.

July Giving: Paper towels (again!)

Nick Naum Scholarship: Congratulations to the recipients of the Nick Naum Scholarship: Adam Coraluzzi, Michele Coraluzzi, Anesti Kondili, Jorgji Ndrecka. The recipients will receive \$2,000.00 from the funds bequeathed by our beloved Nick Naum.

Adam will attend Monmouth University pursuing a degree in International Business; *Michele* will attend Cabrini University pursuing a degree in dentistry; *Anesti* will attend Temple University pursuing a degree in Finance and Risk Management *Jorgji* will attend the University of the Sciences in the 6 year Pharmacy Program. The presentation will be made today following the Divine Liturgy. Congratulations and much success to our scholarship recipients! We are very proud of you, Many Years!

Outdoor Liturgy and Church Picnic: Mark you calendars, Sunday, August 20, 2017 at Neshaminy State Park. We will meet at 10:00 and celebrate the Divine Liturgy. Following the Liturgy we will gather for a picnic. Food, music, dancing, games, a day of fun! The last Liturgy/Picnic was July 21, 2002. Our church picnic was very successful last year and we hope more parishioners are able to join us this August 20th!

Coffee Hour Sponsors: *We have open dates in August and September and October.*

Please take a look at the sign-up sheet and pick a date!!!

July 16th Betty Subashi

July 23rd Pandeli Papa Family

July 30th Qendro Family

August 6th Elena Shomos & Zach Smith (in honor of Elena's Chrismation)

August 13th Lescas Family 40 day memorial Ted

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, Tomorrow July 15th Buddy Walk 11 am – 3 pm (See Melnik Family)

Thursday, July 27th Stewardship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

August 6th Transfiguration Chrismation Elena Shomos

August 13th 40 day Memorial Ted Lescas

Monday August 14th 7:00pm Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos

Saturday August 19th Wedding Florina Bacuta & Drew Garcia

August 20th Liturgy in the park and church picnic - Neshaminy State Park

Saturday Sept 9th Church Clean-up day

Friday Sept 22nd Archdiocesan Assembly hosted by our Parish

Saturday Sept 23rd Thanksgiving service and brunch in church hall

Oct 1st Gregory E Costa Golf Classic and dinner – Paxon Hollow Country Club

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