

**The Weekly Messenger – October 7, 2018**  
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*Epistle: II Corinthians 11:31-33, 12:1-9      Gospel: Luke 7:11-16*

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Luke - Jesus Raises the Widow's Son:** Our Lord Jesus and His disciples went to a city called Na'in. Many people followed Him. When He got near the city gate, a dead man was being carried out in an open coffin. The man's mother and many people from Na'in were following. The mother was very sad because first her husband had died and now her only son died, too. She did not have anyone left to provide for her. When Jesus saw the woman, He was sad about what had happened. He told the woman not to cry. Then, He touched the open coffin. The people who were carrying it stood still. Jesus said, "Young man, I say to you, arise!" The dead man sat up and even started to talk! Jesus took the young man to his mother. All the people were amazed because of the miracle they saw. They praised and thanked God.

<http://ww1.antiochian.org/christianeducation/letusattendarchives>

**Parishioner Update:** Rose Adams, a long-time parishioner at St John for over 60 years is in need of a home aide. 1) The ideal recruit should live within a half hour driving distance from in Phoenixville or King of Prussia. 2) Have a driver's license 3) available to help with cooking, cleaning, shopping, etc. for at least 20 hours per week. Pay will be \$25 per hour. If you know of anybody please contact Nicholas Adams at 484-868-3722 Or [nadams@jacksoncross.com](mailto:nadams@jacksoncross.com)

**Semi- Annual Parish Meeting, Sunday, October 14, 2018** we will elect members of Parish Council for the 2018 term. The 2018 budget will be presented. Updates on the status of our parish and plans for the future. If you would like to serve on Parish Council please contact Father Brooks.

**Halloween Party: Sunday, October 28, 2018.** The party begins during coffee hour and will continue until about 2:00 pm. Monetary donations will be accepted. Hot dogs, baked macaroni and cheese along with other fun treats will be served. Games will be plays and many fun activities will be available for kids of all ages. Paula Bendo and Michele Lorimer are coordinating the party. They will be happy to answer any and all questions in reference to this event or email [secretary@stjohnsphila.org](mailto:secretary@stjohnsphila.org)

**October Namedays Për shumë vjet! Gëzuar!** 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Dionysius, 6<sup>th</sup> Thomas the Apostle, 13<sup>th</sup> Martyr Antigonas, 18<sup>th</sup> St. Luke the Evangelist, 19<sup>th</sup> St. Cleopatra, 26<sup>th</sup> St. Demetrius

**Commemorations for the Departed:** Jorgjia Kashari (3 yrs.), Phyllis Thomas (1 yr.), Mary Costa Dimitri (6 yrs.), Carolyn, Martha Murianka, Todd Lorimer, 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:** Newlywed Marinela Prifti & Fred Tsapournas, Donna Hlavcek, Father Dimitrie Vincent, Dolly Seiler, Sara, Elizabeth Jones, Ann Gjoka, Virginia Daka, Haretina (Papa) Milo, Margarita, Peter Melnik, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in the Armed Forces. If you have a name to add to the Commemorations for the departed or the living please email [info@stjohnsphila.org](mailto:info@stjohnsphila.org)

**Upcoming Events:**

**Oct 7<sup>th</sup>** 3-year memorial Jorgjia Kashari

**Oct 14<sup>th</sup>** 1-year memorial Sotir Grabocka

Semi-annual Parish meeting following the Divine Liturgy

**Oct 28<sup>th</sup>** Halloween Party during coffee hour

**Nov 4<sup>th</sup>** 6-month memorial Michael Theokary

**Nov 11<sup>th</sup>** Parish Nameday Celebration

**Nov 6<sup>th</sup>** Parish Council Meeting

**Nov 15<sup>th</sup>** Nativity Fast Begins

**Coffee Hour Sponsors:** ALL OF OUR COFFEE HOURS HAVE A SPONSOR- THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH TO OUR GENEROUS FAMILIES!!!

**Oct 7<sup>th</sup>** Kashari Family in memory of Jorgjia (3 years)

**Oct 14<sup>th</sup>** Grabocka Family in Memory of Sotir (1 year)

**Oct 21<sup>st</sup>** Jim & Paula Bendo

**Oct 28<sup>th</sup>** Sunday School – Halloween Party

**Nov 4<sup>th</sup>** John & Debbie Monahan

**Nov 11<sup>th</sup>** Parish Nameday celebration – our parishioners sponsor coffee hour

**Welcome to our visitors.** Father Brooks, the members of our Parish Council and our church community thank you for celebrating the Divine Liturgy with us. We invite you to join us for coffee hour and fellowship in the church hall following the Divine Liturgy.

**Monthly giving for October** Paper Towels. Thank you to those who donated copy paper last month!

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