

The Weekly Messenger – August 11, 2024
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This Week Epistle: Romans 15:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 9:27-35

Next Week Epistle I Corinthians 1:10-17 Gospel Matthew 14:14-22

Upcoming Events:

Aug 11th Presentation of the Nick Naum Scholarship Awards following the Divine Liturgy

Monday, Aug 12th Parish Council Meeting 7⁰⁰ pm via ZOOM

Wednesday, Aug 14th 6:00 pm Vespers Liturgy for the Dormition of the Theotokos

Thursday, Aug 15th Dormition of the Theotokos

Friday, Sept 20th Archdiocesan Assembly @ Ss. Peter & Paul Albanian Orthodox Church

With the grace of God, the Archdiocese looks forward to V, Rev. Dennis Rhodes receiving monastic tonsure prior to the beginning of the Assembly on Friday morning.

Saturday, Sept 21st Archdiocesan Divine Liturgy @ Ss. Peter & Paul Albanian Orthodox Church

With the grace of God, the Archdiocese looks forward to Dn. Juxhin's ordination to the priesthood at the Liturgy of our annual assembly this September.

Commemorations for the Departed: Archbishop Nikon, Protopresbyter Arthur Liolin, Chancellor Emeritus of the Albanian Archdiocese, Priftëresha Olga, Archpriest John Scollard, the victims in Gaza and Israel, the victims in Ukraine, Sotir Suli, Maurice Robert, Margaret Rubis (9 yrs.), Deacon Stephen Stefani & those servicemen & women who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their country.

Commemorations for the Living: His Grace, Bishop Nikodhim, Father Joseph Ciarcigliano, the people in Gaza and Israel, the people in Ukraine, Newborn Adelina Kasapi and her parents Bland & Linnea Kasapi, Recipients of the Nick Naum Scholarship Alexander Dardaris, Gregory Dardaris, Olivia Grabocka, Juliana Melnik, Elias Mondlak, Margaret & Stephen Nowmos, John Melnik, Reader Chris Manosis, Jimmy Kosta, Michael Dardaris, Lee Constantine Elia, Virginia Rubis, Teri Douris, Ellen Mondlak, Gerald Mondlak, Julius, Stephanos Sarris, Virginia Daka, and 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@stjcaoc.org*

We need Coffee Hour Sponsors for August and Sept. Please sponsor a coffee with your family or friends: sign-up on the sheet or click this link [CoffeeHourSignup](#)

Aug 11th Melnik Family in honor of John's 16th Birthday

Aug 18th Shyti Family

Sept 1st Liya

Sept 15th Betty Subashi

Sept 29th Father Dennis & Sarah in memory of Jonathan Rhodes

Aug 25th Hot Dogs

Sept 8th No Sponsor

Sept 22nd No sponsor

Monthly Giving for August –Paper Towels

7th Sunday of Matthew: At that time, when Jesus was passing by, two blind men followed him, crying aloud and saying, "Have mercy on us, Son of David." When He entered the house, the blind men came to him; and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then Jesus touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly charged them, "See that no one knows it." But they went away and spread his fame through all that district. As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to Jesus. And when the demon had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons." And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity of the people.

The 2024-2025 Nick Naum Scholarships recipients will receive their awards August 11th:

Alexander Dardaris, son of Christine & Greg Dardaris, grandson of +Bob Dardaris and +Maurice & Joyce Robert.

Gregory Dardaris, son of Christine & Greg Dardaris, grandson of +Bob Dardaris and +Maurice & Joyce Robert.

Olivia Grabocka, daughter of Valentina & Peter Grabocka, granddaughter of +Sotir & Olimbi Grabocka;

Juliana Melnik, daughter of Susan & Vlad Melnik, granddaughter of +Peter & Elizabeth Melnik, Barbara & Barry Kolvek.

Elias Mondlak, son of Michele Sarkos & John Mondlak grandson of +Marika & Lewis Sarkos and Ellen & Gerald Mondlak.

The scholarships will be presented following the Divine Liturgy on August 11, 2024. Many Years to the recipients and their proud families!

Parishioner News:

Happy Birthday to John Melnik who celebrated his 16th birthday on August 9, 2024. John is a longtime altar server and Sunday school participant. He is the son of our Choir members, Vlad and Susan and brother of Juliana. John shares his birthday (August 9th) with another longtime altar server, Alex Dardaris. Alex is the son of choir members Christine and Greg Dardaris. Many Years John & Alex!

Happy Anniversary to Marge & Steve Nowmos who will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on August 15th. Marge & Steve were married at St. John Chrysostom in 1964 and are lifelong members of our parish. They currently reside in Florida but attend the Divine Liturgy at St. John's when they are in the Philadelphia area. Congratulations and Many Years Marge & Steve!

Coffee Hour open dates: We do not have coffee hour sponsors for the following dates:

- Sept 8th, Sept 22
- Oct 13th, Oct 20th
- Nov 24th
- Dec 1st, Dec 15th Dec 29th Please coordinate with a friend or family member and sponsor a coffee hour!