

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be Forever!

September 8, 2019

Epistle Reading: Philippians 2:5-11 **Gospel Reading:** Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28

Next Week: 1 Corinthians 16:13-24 **Gospel Reading:** Matthew 21:33-42

*Take time to read the scriptures to prepare your heart and mind for Sunday's Liturgy.

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| Services | Sat., Sept. 14 th | Elevation of the Holy Cross | |
| | | Hours | 8:45 am |
| | | Divine Liturgy | 9 am |
| | | Great Vespers | 7 pm |
| | | (Holy Sacrament of Confession to follow) | |
| | Sun., Sept. 15 th | Great Martyr Nicetas; Venerable Philotheus | |
| | | Church School | 9:15 am |
| | | Hours | 9:45 am |
| | | Divine Liturgy | 10 am |

Announcements:

Congratulations and God's Blessings – Upon the Servants of God, ***Joelle Lynn Niro and Dale Edward Fisher***, united in Holy Matrimony yesterday in our Church. May these Servants embarking on their new lives in Christ, body forth his blessing in all things to the Glory of God and their salvation.

TODAY from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm: “St. Michael’s Mediterranean Buffet,” the annual parish festival of St. Michael’s Orthodox Church in Greensburg. The traditional Middle Eastern foods for which they are famous will be featured and are itemized on the flier posted in the vestibule bulletin board. Please consider patronizing this fine event, as a number of St. Michael parishioners regularly attend our Fall Festival.

Next Parish Council meeting will be **Tuesday, September 10th at 7 pm.**

Looking ahead on the Church’s activity calendar:

❖ **Fri., September 13th & Sat. September 14th** ~ “The Tender Heart” myrrh-flowing icon from Taylor, PA will be visiting St. Peter & St. Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church, 220 Mansfield Blvd., Carnegie. Archbishop Daniel will preside over Great Vespers Friday evening at 7pm only. Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Saturday at 9 am. See the vestibule bulletin board for more information.

❖ **Pre-Festival Pre-Sale Flea Market** ~ **Sat., September 14th from Noon to 5 pm**

❖ **Sun., September 15th** ~ *Prayer Arise* ~ The Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Men’s a cappella Liturgical and Folk Choir ~ In Prayer and In Concert ~ Will present a Mon Valley Memorial Service and concert to commemorate the 18th Anniversary of 9/11 on **Sunday, September 15th** at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, Donora. **Prelude at 4:45 pm; Memorial Service at 5 pm; A Patriotic Concert at 5:45 pm.** The Concert will be followed by a covered dish All-American Food Fest in the church social hall. All are welcome!

❖ **Tues., October 1st** ~ **Protection of the Most Holy Theotokos** ~ There will be a Liturgy scheduled for 9 am (Hours begin at 8:45 am) and an Akathist service at 7 pm for the Theotokos. We will bless the restoration of the mosaic as well as the new carved icon of the Theotokos.

HELP WANTED: Volunteers need to cut and trim church grass for Summer and Fall. Let a member of Parish Council know if interested.

Thank you to the volunteers who stepped up to work around the church the past few weeks. They have done a stellar job! There are still many opportunities if anyone wants to help.

It has been brought to our attention that Marie as of late is having difficulty removing grass from the rugs in the entrance vestibule. The grass becomes embedded in the microfibers of the rug’s nap. We ask that you utilize the sidewalks (which are kept swept) when entering the church. Thank you for your help and consideration in this matter.

Save the Date: This year’s **Annual Fall Festival** will be held on **Sunday, September 29th from 12 pm to 6 pm** or until we’re sold out. This means that *we are in need of volunteers* to give of their time and talent at Saturday Sessions and especially on Festival day! Please become a member of our wonderful Kitchen Crew! (Please see the vestibule bulletin board for a listing of all cooking sessions starting at 7 a.m. on Saturdays, unless otherwise noted.) Your help and cooperation are always needed and appreciated! Come join in the fellowship while helping make Baba’s specialties.

If cooking isn’t up your alley, help in the form of monetary donations are also needed with restocking of supplies! A year in the life of our Parish has been busy with repasts, Presanctified Liturgy, special coffee hours, etc., and some of our festival supplies of wrapped silverware, takeout containers, plates, napkins, plastic wrap, foil, sterno, etc. have been put to good use, but have dwindled. Can you help with restocking of the necessary supplies to help this year’s Festival run smoothly? Thank you in advance with your help and God Bless. See either Marie or Mary.

Don’t forget! -- When purchasing pop for your cookout, please consider purchasing an extra case of pop and/or water and donating towards this worthy cause.

Your donation(s) DIRECTLY contribute to the success of this endeavor!

Collection: Sept. 1st: \$1,928