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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 5

Martyrs Onesiphorus and Porphyrius of Ephesus; Ven. Matrona the Abbess of Constantinople; Ven. Theoctiste of the Isle of Lesbos; Ven. Onesiphorus the Confessor of the Kiev Caves; Martyr Alexander of Thessalonica; Martyr Anthony of Apamea; Ven. John the Short of Egypt; SS. Eustolia and Sosipatra of Constantinople; St. Nectarios Kephala, Metropolitan of Pentapolis; Ven. Euthymius and Ven. Neophytus the Founder and Co-Founder of Dochiariou Monastery; The *She Who is Quick to Hear* Icon of the Most-holy Theotokos

Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18

Gospel: Luke 8:41-56

♦ The Liturgical/Study Week at a Glance ♦

TODAY	2:00 p.m.	Akathist with Anointing served by His Grace, Bishop MICHAEL, at SS. Peter & Paul Church in Manville
Tues, Nov 11	9:00 a.m.	<u>NY & NJ Diocesan Assembly at SS. Peter & Paul Church in Endicott, NY</u> Divine Liturgy followed by Lunch and Opening of the Assembly
	7:00 p.m.	Panihida for Lydia Davis at Maliszewski Funeral Home
Wed, Nov 12	10:00 a.m.	Funeral of Lydia Davis
Sat, Nov 15	5:00 p.m.	BEGINNING OF THE NATIVITY FAST (Advent) Confessions
	6:30 p.m.	Panihida for the Deceased Members of the Hartman & Iwanow Families (Annual) offered by the family
	7:00 p.m.	Great Vespers with Litiya followed by Confessions
Sun, Nov 16	9:00 a.m.	23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 6 Holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew
Divine Liturgy		Epistles: Eph 2:4-10 Gospels: Luke 10:25-37 1 Cor 4:9-16 (Apostle) Matt 9:9-13 (Apostle)

♦ In Our Parish ♦

Church School Classes will meet **TODAY** after the Liturgy Dismissal.

The **Men's Club** is hosting an **Atlantic City Excursion** to the **Caesar's Resort & Casino** **this Monday, November 10**. Enjoy the boardwalk or try your luck; there is also one-stop shopping with hundreds of stores! Tickets are \$30 per person and all participants will receive \$25 in slot play. Seating on the bus is limited—first come, first served! For more info and reservations, call Edward Boshko (732-254-1200) or Paul Boshko (732-254-6991).

Choir Rehearsal will be held in the church on **Tuesday, November 11**, following the panihida.

The **Altar Society** will meet in the church hall on **Monday, November 17**, at 6 p.m.

The **Altar Society** is hosting a **Thanksgiving Bake Sale** during Coffee Hour on **Sunday, November 23**. This is a good time to buy scrumptious pies, heavenly cakes and delectable cookies for company coming to your house for dinner. Serve your guests home-baked treats without having to do any of the labor. Not only that, every penny of the proceeds goes directly to the continuing blessed works of this parish organization. Now THAT is something to be thankful for!

The parish is now taking orders for holiday chocolates from *Gertrude Hawk* through **Sunday, Nov 23**. Catalogs are available at the Candle Desk. Completed order forms can be given to Jay Pelleriti or left in church. If you're looking for gifts or stocking stuffers this Christmas, these candies make great presents for family and friends. Support the church and take care of some holiday shopping from the comfort of your own home! (**NOTES:** Checks should be made payable to SS. Peter & Paul R.O. Church. The candy will be available for pickup the first week in December.)

The next **Parish Council Meeting** is scheduled for **Monday, November 24**, at 7 p.m., in the church hall.

A **Thanksgiving Eve Interfaith Service** will be held in our parish on **Wednesday, November 26**, at 7 p.m. Do come, as we declare our collective gratitude for the many blessings of community expressed in this celebration of South River's spiritual diversity. A reception will follow in the parish hall.

The **Annual Archpastoral Visit** of Bishop MICHAEL is scheduled for **Sunday, December 7**. Join us in welcoming His Grace and in participating in this celebration.

The **Saint Nicholas Day Pageant** will be presented by the Church School children on **Sunday, Dec 7**, after Liturgy.

Please save the date for **Sunday, December 14**, at 3 p.m., when our **Church Choir** will present its **13th Annual Christmas Concert** for the community. It promises to be a great performance, so you won't want to miss it!

◆ Parish Patter ◆

PARISH ATTENDANCE at Liturgy last Sunday was **124**.

SUNDAY SERVICE TEAMS The Epistle will be read next week by **Subdeacon Paul Machyowsky**. Coffee Hour will be hosted by the **Parish Council**. The church will be cleaned by **Team Mindzak**.

PERSONAL/PRIVATE CONFESSION During the Nativity Fast (Advent) through Theophany, there will be **NO GENERAL CONFESSION**, to provide for regular communicants to prepare for and participate in personal/private confession. All of us know the importance of receiving the Lord's Body and Blood and we certainly want to do so as prepared as we can be. It is for this very reason that we partake in the Sacrament of Repentance (Confession). The days and times will be listed in the bulletin under *The Liturgical/Study Week at a Glance*. If you have questions or scheduling difficulties, please see Father David. Otherwise, let us all move to make ourselves ready to spiritually welcome the Lord in the flesh through prayer, fasting **AND** repentance.

WE WELCOME our parishioner from "up north," **Daria York**. It is always a joy to have her "back home" with us. We prayerfully wish her continued peace, health and happiness for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

MANY THANKS to **Father Maryon Chaykivsky** from *St. Spiridon Church* in Perth Amboy for serving Great Vespers on Friday evening for the Feast of the Archangel Michael and All the Heavenly Host. His kind and generous assistance in "filling in" for Fr. David was most appreciated.

THE CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY helps keep the Lord's house spic-n-span! Listed below are the volunteer groups for November, December & January:

NOVEMBER
PATRICIA CHYDILLO
ANN KRYNICKY
RONALD & PAULA MINDZAK
PETER & DEBORAH SILOWKA

DECEMBER
MARYANN BARRETT
VERA DORN
MATUSHKA SHARI GARRETSON
PETER & ERIN BARRETT KELLY

JANUARY
GREGORY & JOSHUA CHUP
HANK DZIEMIAN
ANASTASIA ESSL
JAMES KORNAFEL
HELENE TITSCH

Cleaning instructions are posted on the bulletin board in the Candle Desk. If you have any questions, concerns or conflicts, please see/contact Jay Pelleriti (732-257-4478) or Starosta. We've been blessed by God with a lovely house of worship; we ask for continued support from **EVERYONE** with the upkeep and maintenance of our "church home." Thanks.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following parishioners, family members and friends:

Departed

Nadejda Shidlovsky
Walter Wisocky
William Franks
Christopher Michalski
Dorothy Sost
Marina Ivanova
Dr. Constance Tarasar
Lydia Davis

Servicemen

Ivan Shidlovsky
Gary Amatrudo Jr.
Keith Sudder
Steven Moore
Priest Sean Levine
Patrick Lohr
Elizabeth Brent
Todd Adams
Bryan Smith

Sick

Aunika Browne	Thomas Swenticky	Beth Williscroft
Thomas Verdon	Donna Casale	Nancy Filak
Alexandre Kurtanidze	Olga Stefik	Michael Dargento
Joseph Marciniak	Mary Carol Burchill	Sandra Webster
Edward Walton	Linda Deurer	Amelia Rugala
Kaitlyn Fox	Ruth Curtis	Ellen Dargento
Iwan Jakimtschuk	John Centrello	Olga Miller
Natalie Matz	Archpriest John Udics	Allen Mioduszewski
Dorothy Sopchak	Deanna Marinelli	Lasha Giorgi Pozidis
Katherine Tarzewski	Mary Jane Schaaf	Sophie Hyland
Vladimir Batenko	Ruth Hartman	Kathleen Keimer
Robert Smith	Theodore Christie	David Hebert
Edward Romanofsky	Walentyna Posluszny	Elaine Ashton
Dawn Zirch	John Cameron	Julia Glazer
Joseph Basara Jr.	Pearl Blower	Makayla Ahearn
Martha Drobnak	Dorothy Swenticky	Joseph Casale
Sergio Dubowski	Darlene Posluszny	Margo Stewart
Patsy Miller	Donna Kara	Anna Elagin
Irene Boule	Sergei Andreyev	Joan Uler
Elizabeth Fine	Nancy Myzhevych	Charles Csenica
Dean Prestino	Pauline Dziemian	Kenneth Crowley
Gaynelle Crowley	Kendall McNamara	Caroline Juba
Myrna Woznica	Patricia Capelli	James D'Amore Jr.
Aspasia Alfaro	Mary Martin	Jonathan Clayton
Beth Van Orden	Anthony Januszewski	Sybil Levine
Rina D'Amico	Dorothy Vernak	Mari Favire
Deborah Krusius	Victor Rugala Jr.	Gregory Sitze
Simon Koslov Jr.	Robert Hearn	Aidan Brown
Pamela Inman	Kristeen Savoia	Michael Bautochka Jr.
Matushka Nina Stroyen	Jane D'Amore	Gina Krusius
Tamara Diaczenko	John Hoagland	Frances Romano
Christopher Leuper	Gabrielle Huba	Doris Dodds
Fred Bhend	Zinna Kusnirik	Josefa Calero
Darren Flynn	Jack Rhoades	

Please take the responsibility to let Father David or Starosta know any changes that have to be made to keep this list up to date.

LENTEN PIEROGIE SALE Our delicious, homemade pierogies that were sold during the *Annual Fall Festival* are now available, while supplies last, throughout the upcoming Christmas Lent. They can be purchased from Rebecca Kozak during Coffee Hour at a cost of \$8 per dozen. They are awesome and make a terrific, yet simple and filling Lenten meal. Buy some TODAY!

HOLIDAY BAKE SALE Instead of traditional pumpkin pie or cookies, why not try a delicious dessert roll for Thanksgiving and/or Christmas dinner? *Annunciation Church* in Brick is again selling this fine homemade pastry for the holidays. Six varieties are being offered for \$12 apiece: **chocolate chip nut, apricot, apricot nut, walnut, poppy and prune**. You can place an order with Jim Kornafel. Support this fundraiser and let our sister parish help you with your holiday baking! (*By the way, these rolls also make unique hostess/Christmas gifts.*)

BULLETIN OMISSION Two names were inadvertently omitted from last Sunday's bulletin thanking the members of *Team Bereznia* for cleaning the church in October: **Mark Trubilla** and **Helen Pelak**. We sincerely apologize for this error; it was certainly not intentional. Their efforts in this ministry were truly appreciated.

IN MEMORIUM The handmaid of God, **Doctor Constance Tarasar**, fell asleep in the Lord on Friday evening, November 7. Dr. Tarasar was a pioneer in the field of Orthodox Christian education, working closely with +Protopresbyter Alexander Schmemmann and +Sophie Koulomzin of blessed memory on the *Orthodox Christian Education Commission (OCEC)*, a pan-Orthodox agency aimed at defining and shaping Orthodox Christian education efforts and curriculum development in an American setting. She held numerous positions in the Orthodox Church in America (OCA), including Managing Editor of *The Orthodox Church* newspaper and Chair of the *Department of Religious Education*. She also taught at *St. Vladimir's Seminary* in Yonkers, NY for many years. (*Both Fr. David and Basil Kozak had her as one of their professors.*) Dr. Tarasar was a remarkable woman who left an indelible legacy on the Church. There is no doubt that she now shares in the fullness of eternal life with Jesus Christ. May her memory be eternal—Vechnaya Pamyat!

BIRTHDAY WISHES go out this week to **Fr. David, Marie Mendoker and Myrna Woznica**. May their lives continue to be filled with God's joy in their hearts for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

MEMORY ETERNAL The handmaid of God, **Lydia Davis**, fell asleep in the Lord yesterday, the Feast of the Archangel Michael and All the Heavenly Host. She was a longtime and faithful communicant of this parish. Our warmest thoughts are with her family and friends, as we pray for them with sympathy and care. May the soul of their loved one dwell with the blessed—Vechnaya Pamyat!

MARRIAGE: A PROMISE MADE IN FAITH It's with great joy that we acknowledge the 52nd wedding anniversary this week of **Harry & Janice Meade**. We congratulate them on another year of living, loving and growing in our Lord. Many Years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

OUR THANKS to **Vera Dorn** for donating the floral arrangement on the center tetrapod this weekend in remembrance of the birthday of her husband of blessed memory, **+Donald**. Her thoughtfulness and generosity are beyond words—God bless!

PAKISTAN FLOOD RELIEF Hundreds of thousands of communities in Pakistan suffered the impact of severe flooding and landslides in late September due to monsoon rains. Homes, schools, crops and livelihoods were completely destroyed. Working in cooperation with the *Orthodox Church in Pakistan*, **International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)** has been responding to the urgent needs of this country's most vulnerable survivors with food, fresh water, hygiene kits and shelter. Please join in this humanitarian effort to assist this organization by making a contribution to the **IOCC Emergency Response Fund**. You can visit www.iocc.org, call 877-803-4622 or mail a check/money order payable to **IOCC, PO Box 17938, Baltimore MD 21297**. Thanks for your prayers and offerings as we respond to the call of Jesus to reach out to those in need in our world.

BRING A FRIEND along with you to church. Encourage your relatives to attend services faithfully. It is our Christian duty to help others find Jesus. The Apostle Andrew brought his brother Peter to God...let's follow his example!

THE DEADLINE for next Sunday's bulletin is **Thursday evening**, so if you would like to submit an announcement, please contact Fr. David at the rectory or get in touch with our Bulletin Editor, James P. Kornafel, by E-mail (jimmyk@optonline.net), phone (732-462-3388) or fax (732-845-3515).



*This Tuesday is **Veterans Day**, an annual observance to express gratitude to the men and women who have served in the Armed Forces. Though we all hate war and may disagree about the justification for particular conflicts, we are morally obligated, as both Christians and citizens, to recognize the sacrifices of those who served on our behalf and to care for them. So, let us honor these brave souls—those of past generations and those who continue to earn this title today—for their service to our country and for what they've done to defend and preserve our freedom. May we never forget what we have asked of them and what they have given in return. Let us offer to them the respect and honor they are due, as we strengthen our resolve to build a world where war will be no more, through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Prince of Peace.*



The **Nativity Fast (Advent)** begins **this Saturday, November 15**. This 40-day period of prayer, fasting, repentance and almsgiving has been set aside by the Holy Church to prepare us for a worthy celebration of the great and holy day of the Birth of Our Lord (Christmas). Let us make every effort to sanctify this season by spending less time getting caught up in all the commercialism and pre-holiday busyness and more time in faith, in the service of God and in true kindness towards our neighbor, especially those who are in real need of assistance. Together, let us try to meet Christ as He deserves to be met—not with pretty packages, twinkling lights and decorated trees, but with love, reverence and purity of soul.

May you and your family experience a most blessed and spiritually rewarding Fast.

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Glory Forever!