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SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

Epistle: Hebrews (11:24-26; 32-40; 12:1-2) Gospel: John (1:43-51)

The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote – Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

TROPARION TONE V

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, Co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin, for He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to endure death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

KONTAKION TONE V

You did descend into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as almighty; resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Man, and we all cry to You: "O Lord, save us!"

TROPARION TONE II

We venerate Your most pure image, O Good One, and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ our God. Of Your good will, You were pleased to ascend the cross in the flesh and deliver Your creatures from bondage to the enemy. Therefore, with thankfulness we cry aloud to You: "You have filled all with joy, O our Savior, for You did come to save the world."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church School - Protinica Karen wants to remind everyone that snacks and drinks have been graciously donated for all students, particularly those who have fasted in the morning in preparation for Holy Communion. If any parents/teachers would like to see other snacks offered to help donate, please let me know and we can organize accordingly.

Family Nights and Adult Bible Study - Will resume after house blessings. Father George will announce when both will reconvene.

Visitation - Ann Visnick is in a nursing facility. If you would like to visit or send a card: Ann Visnick, William Penn Personal Care, 1021 Walton Road, Jeannette, PA, 15644, Room 201.

Blessing of Homes - V. Rev. Fr. George has begun blessing homes. Please call him at 412.622.4714 to schedule a visit.

Calendars - Wall calendars are available at the tutor's desk for pick up. Small pocket calendars will be distributed when homes are blessed.

Men's Club – Fish Fry every Friday through Friday, March 30th. The Cake Table will be in operation as well. We will be selling Lenten baked goods from 4 pm to 7 pm every week. If anyone would like to volunteer to either bake, set up, or serve our customers, please contact Janet Tumbas at [412-751-3809](tel:412-751-3809), or jtumbas@gmail.com. All help is welcome, whether it is for one week, or for seven weeks. Proceeds will be used for various church projects. Thank you!

Communication - If you have not provided your email address to receive news & information regarding our St. Nicholas parish - please send an email to borisbajich@gmail.com - please feel free to send email addresses of your friends and family who may also like to receive our news.

Tamburitzans – Today, the Tammies will be selling a variety of posno soups and pogacas for eat-in: (bowl of soup and pogacha \$5) or take out (pint of soup \$5 or a quart for \$8). All soups freeze well and can be enjoyed throughout the Lenten season.

Kolo – There will be a Kolo meeting today after liturgy. All members and those who would like to join, please plan on attending!

Thank you – I would like to thank all parishioners for their generous and much needed FOCUS donations that helped feed the poor and homeless. Also, thank you for all of the donations that benefitted the DiMatteo family of Monroeville who lost their husband/father, home, and all belongings in a fire. Donations are still being accepting especially during this time of great need.

Important Dates - Forty day parastos service for Radovan “Pal” Macesich today following liturgy.

Tonight 4:30 p.m. – Triumph of Orthodoxy Vespers - His Grace Bishop Irinej will be serving vespers at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church – 123 Gilkeson Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228 (Mt. Lebanon).

Senior high school students of our St. Nicholas Church School will be visiting our local monastery, the Nativity of the Theotokos Greek Orthodox Monastery in Saxonburg on Saturday, March 17th. We invite ALL faithful interested in visiting to join us. According to their tradition of hospitality, the sisters of the monastery will serve lunch and speak of their life of hesychast (a mystical tradition of prayer in the Orthodox Church) spiritual struggle of purification in prayer, the sacraments and obedience. Please contact Protinica Karen as soon as possible if you wish to attend so that the sisters may prepare for our visit. (832)919-0836.

Pre-sanctified liturgy will be served this Wednesday, February 28th at 6:00 p.m. Please refrain from eating after 12:00 p.m. to prepare for Holy Communion. Confession begins at 5:30 p.m.

Spring cleaning - We are obtaining a 20' dumpster on 2/26 and over the next several weeks we will be cleaning out our hall and our outside storage units. In addition to each of our organizations leading/scheduling their individual work efforts, we need assistance in going through everything that remains. One of our cleaning days will be Saturday, March 3rd from 10 AM - 4 PM. Any/all help would be greatly appreciated. Please reach out to Bati at [816-678-6251](tel:816-678-6251) or borisbajich@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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Important Dates - Monday, February 19, 2018 – The Beginning of Great Lent Tonight – Lenten Vespers begin tonight at St. Sava in McKeesport beginning at 5:00 p.m. Lecturer: Fr. Rade Merick