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🕸 Sunday, July 23, 2023 🕸

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 15:1-7

Brethren, we who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves; let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to edify him. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached thee fell on me." For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

The Gospel According to Matthew 9:27-35

At that time, as Jesus passed by, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, "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 he 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 him. 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 among the people. Memorials:

† Martha Stivaktas † Nikolaos S. Kalogeris † Frederick Robert Sonntag † Kalliope Zervos † Carole Zervos Dardamanis † Yanni Stivaktas † Catherine Leonard Sonntag † Mary Zervos 4 months 2 years 2 years 10 years 11 years 17 years 20 years 53 years

THIS WEEK:

Monday, July 24 Tuesday, July 25 Wednesday, July 26 Thursday, July 27 Friday, July 28 Saturday, July 29

8:30am to Noon Vacation Church School 9am to Noon Vacation Church School 5 9am to Noon Vacation Church School 9am to Noon Vacation Church School 9am to Noon Vacation Church School

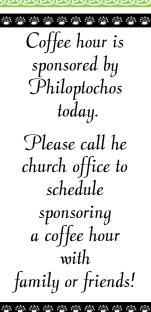
5pm Vespers Summer Garden Gala



Vacation Church School starts <u>TOMORROW</u>!!!!

Let's Flower Together!

...a hands on Floral Event Workshop for our Summer Garden Gala ...come learn to forage flowers & greens, prepare fresh flowers, learn to prep and make floral centerpieces & larger installation arrangements. Choose any or all of the following dates: Wednesday, July 26, Thursday, July 27 & Friday, July 28 at 2pm. Meet at the Community Center. Saturday, July 29 (day of event) 10am to 2pm Call Eva Elderkin to reserve your place 412,969,1479



Summer Garden Gala Saturday, July 29, 2023

BENEFITTING HOLY CROSS LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION

5:30PM Cocktails & Silent Auction 6:30PM Strolling Buffet & Festivities 9:00PM Dance featuring Panigiri Orchestra ~ Black Tie Optional ~

HOLY CROSS COMMUNITY CENTER 123 Gilkeson Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228

Tickets and donation information available at www.holycrosspgh.org/summergala or call Laura Zervos at 412-287-5679 or Rebekah Krakora at 412-728-4842

Summer Garden Gala

GREEK DANCE

Saturday, July 29, 2023

Starting at 9:00 p.m.

Live music with the Panigiri Orchestra Mezze Platter included with Dance Ticket Bar drinks and additional mezze available for purchase

Purchase tickets at www.holycrosspgh.org/summergala in advance or at the door



St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church LIGHT FROM THE CHURCH ON THE HILL

A Lecture Series in Honor & Memory of Our Beloved Met. Theodosius

MOTHER OF LIFE: NOURISHING THE BODY & SOUL DURING THE DORMITION FAST



 John the Baptist Orthodax Church 601 Boove Ave. Canonsburg, PA frunner.org | frjohnkotalik@gmail.com The typical summer change in routine can cause us to lose our spiritual focus. But for the first two weeks in August, the Church gives us a beautiful gift: the Dormition Fast! Here lies an opportunity to reorient ourselves toward Christ and His mother, the Mother of Life.

In this one hour talk, we will discuss ways to enrich this life—by nourishing the body through balanced and nutritious fasting meals, and nourishing the soul by inviting the Virgin Mary into our efforts. By keeping the Fast in preparation for the Feast of the Dormition, we prepare to live in imitation of the one chosen to give birth to our Lord, the Giver of Life.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

6:00 PM: Vespers & Refreshments 7:10 PM: Lecture

Krista Fedarchak, MS, RD, is an Orthodox Christian, wife, and registered dietitian affering Christian-faith-based insights into caring for body and soul. She completed her studies in nutritional science at Cornell University. Informed by a non-diet eating approach and rooted in the wisdom of the Orthodax faith, Krista helps her clients to accomplish their health goals through sustainable lifestyle changes. Catch her on the Ancient Faith Radio Padcast Faod Freedom through Christ^{*} or on Instagram @theorthodaxdietitian.

We are collecting GENTLY USED BOOKS for kids ages 0-6 years old to be distributed at Children's Hospital in the waiting room. There is a basket by the office for your donations. Please contact Emelia Krakora at <u>ekrakora@bowdoin.edu</u> with any questions.