

The Weekly Messenger – November 13, 2016
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Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

Semi-annual Parish Meeting: Thank you to those who attended the meeting last Sunday. Congratulations to our 2017 Parish Council: William Bortner, Donna Dimitri, Sergio Georgi, Janice Leyden, Michele Lorimer, Jani Mara, Nilda Salavachi. Thank you for your service to out-going Vice-chair Peter Ghicondey and Treasurer, Michele Anderson. Welcome and we look forward to your service Janice and Sergio. The parish council will meet on Tuesday, November 15th @ 7:00 pm. At that time the new council will elect the officers for the coming year. Building projects, committee updates were presented and the 2017 budget was adopted.



Financial Update: The income for our parish is generated via pledges, the icon auction, fundraising events and other donations. We have received 104 pledges totaling \$53,306. The Icon auction generated \$9,555 through October 31, 2016. That being said we are anticipating a deficit of approximately \$24,000.00 at the end of 2016. That is our expenses will exceed our income by that amount. Our weekly expenses are greater than the money we receive each week. If you have any ideas as to how to increase our weekly income please share them with a member of Parish Council know.

Monthly giving for November Single Ply Toilet Paper

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20th We will celebrate our Parish Nameday. Archbishop Nikon will be here Saturday, Nov 19th for **Vespers @ 6:00 pm**, followed by a light pot luck dinner. The Archbishop will be here Sunday morning to celebrate the **Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am**, followed by a luncheon in the church hall. We are asking our parishioners to bring something to share at the luncheon. For the past few years we have had our parishioners supply their special dishes at the luncheon and it has been most enjoyable. There is no cost to attend the luncheon as the food is provided through the generosity of our parishioners. We hope you and your family will be here to enjoy a very special day with your brothers and sisters at St. John Chrysostom.

Commemorations for the Departed: Katherine Kane (2 years), Jorgjia Kashari, Father Deacon Stephen Stefani and those servicemen and women who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their Country.

Commemorations for the Living: Newly Illuminated Kristo, Eris, Piro, Fiori, Theodor, Elina, Aleska, Anna, Betty Subashi, Thomas Anderson, Elizabeth Jones, Michael Zoto, Chris Dhimitri, Tom Zoidis, John Kolea, Jr., William Spiro, Ann Gjoka, Virginia Daka, Semele Halkedis, Katherine Halkedis, Haretina (Papa) Milo, Philip Kosta, Margarita, Peter Melnik, Clive Miller, Kim Burdumy, Andigoni Steffa, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in Armed Forces.

Upcoming Events:

TUESDAY, NOV 15th Nativity Fast Begins Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm

FRIDAY NOV 18th Outreach Committee meeting 7:00 pm

SATURDAY Nov 19th @ 6:00 pm Vespers with Archbishop Nikon

Nov 20th Parish Nameday Celebration & Luncheon / Archbishop Nikon will visit

Nov 27th 3 Year Memorial for Gregory Bendo & Sunday school Albanian Thanksgiving

SATURDAY Dec 3rd YAL 5:00 -6:30 pm - Dinner outing following meeting

SATURDAY December 10th Christmas outing, Lunch & the Philly Pops

Dec 18th Sunday school Christmas Pageant following the Divine Liturgy

SATURDAY December 24th Christmas Eve Liturgy @ 6:00 pm

Coffee Hour Sponsors: Our sincere thanks to all who have or are going to sponsor a coffee hour this year.

November 13th Janice & Mike Leyden

November 20th Parish Nameday – parishioners bring their Lenten specialty

November 27th Bendo Family in memory of Gregory

December 4th Salavachi Family in honor of Niko's Nameday

December 11th Biando Family

December 18th Chris Manosis – Chris' Nameday is December 25th