

The Weekly Messenger –August 31, 2014
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Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 19:16-26

Message from Father Brooks: Autumn is right around the corner, and with it ends those "lazy, hazy days of summer". Much is going on at St. John's. Sunday School begins (please register your kids!), and the Parish Ministry Team gets kicked off with the Young Adult League, the Outreach Ministry, and the Charity and Benevolence Ministry. Please get involved to make St. John's move forward as a light to Philadelphia! Peace to all.

Commemorations for the Living: Archbishop Nikon, Father Stephen Siniari, Proto Deacon Michael Sochka, David Biando, Newly Illuminated Victor & Elliot Shyti, Betty Subashi, Philip Kosta, Katherine Halkedis, Rosemary Notskas, Kim Burdumy, Larry Kosta, Leslie Sochka, Andigoni Steffa, Mary Croke, Paula Kosta, Candace Pepenelli, Kristin Snow, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Francesca Giansante, Flossie Vissar, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in Armed Forces.

Commemorations for the Departed: Luke Wilk, Eleanor Mallios Zoidis, Father Deacon Stephen Stefani and those servicemen who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their Country.

Coffee Hour Sponsors: Thank you very much!

August 31st Davit & Mirna

September 7th Family of Eleanor Mallios Zoidis

September 14th Sunday School

September 21st Jennifer Hunter (in memory of Susan Pekarski)

September 28th Margarita & Vangjel Haxhistasa

October 5th Greta & Aaron Moy

Open dates: Dec. 14th, 21st, Dec 28th

We have only three (3) dates with no sponsor. Please sign up so the rest of the year will be covered.

Our sincere thanks to our parishioners who have sponsored coffee hour throughout the year.

Sunday School will be resuming on September 14th. We have been working to improve how our children understand and learn about their Orthodox faith and feel that with Fr Brooks leadership and involvement our curriculum will be successful. We look forward to seeing everyone soon. September 14th is the Elevation of the Cross. We will have a procession with all of the children. There will also be a hot dog sale during coffee hour.

Reader Schedule: September 7th David Biando, 14th Mark Klus, 21st Michelle Dardaris, 28th Adam Coraluzzi, October 5th Edward Kokalari, 12th David Biando, 19th Mark Klus, 26th Michelle Dardaris

Gregory E. Costa Golf Classic: We hope you will join us for the 25th golf outing benefiting St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church. The date is Sunday, September 21, 2014. Golfers tee off at 12:00 pm. Cocktail hour begins at 4:45 pm with dinner served at 5:45pm. As in past years we will have our Albanian Auction. We are gratefully accepting any and all donations for the baskets or if you are able to donate a complete basket. Questions contact Donna Dimitri, Linda or Dave Biando, Michele Anderson, Linda Kosta or Dorothy Tomassini.

Upcoming Events:

Sept 7th Memorial for Eleanor Mallios Zoidis

Sept 9th (Tuesday) Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm

Sept 10th (Wednesday) Young Adults Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Sept 13th (Saturday) Teacher workshop 9am – 12pm, appreciation luncheon will follow

Sept 16th (Tuesday) Outreach Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Sept. 21st Memorial Susanne Pekarski 10 years

Gregory E. Costa Golf Classic & Dinner Contact Donna Dimitri-Linda Biando

Sept 23rd Charity & Benevolence Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Sept 26 & 27 Albanian Archdiocese Assembly Ss Peter & Paul Albanian Orthodox Church

Oct. 12th, Semi Annual Parish meeting following the Divine Liturgy

Nov. 29th Albanian Flag Day Dance 7pm – 11pm Contact Nilda Brahillari or Fiori Papa

Parishioner News:

Belated thank you to Aaron and Greta Moy who donated beautiful orchids that are on the Solea along side of the Holy Doors. Aaron and Greta donated the orchids in honor of their daughter Emma's baptism.

Saturday, 27 September we will be baptizing Aden Zebib, son of Sonja and Neil.

Monthly giving for August: Sunday school snacks, juice boxes, small bottles of water. Toilet paper.