

**The Weekly Messenger – July 3, 2016**  
**St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church**

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*Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 2:10-16 Gospel: Matthew 4:18-23*

**2nd Sunday of Matthew, The Gospel of Matthew 4:18-23:** At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

[http://www.goarch.org/chapel/lectionary\\_view?type=gospel&code=64&event=1068](http://www.goarch.org/chapel/lectionary_view?type=gospel&code=64&event=1068)

**Congratulations to Father Brooks** who was elevated to Archpriest last Sunday by Archbishop Nikon. An **archpriest** is a non-monastic priest elevated with an honorific rank; Archpriests are styled *The Very Reverend*. The honor is usually given as recognition of exemplary service or faithfulness to one's duties while in their current office. Many Years Father Brooks! <https://orthodoxwiki.org/Archpriest>

**Commemorations for the Departed:** Rose Mary Notskas, Hugh, Bettye, Brent, Tranette Ledford, 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:** Archbishop Nikon, Pope Francis, Father Brooks, Mirna El Khatib, Davit Jishkariani, Diane Rubis, Brianna Powels, Ann Gjoka, Julia Thack, Virginia Daka, Semele Halkedis, Katherine Halkedis, Donna Hlavacek, Haretina (Papa) Milo, Susan, Philip Kosta, Margarita, Peter Melnik, Clive & Dhimitri Miller, Kim Burdumy, Andigoni Steffa, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in Armed Forces.

**July Giving:** Paper Napkins. Thank you for the paper towels last month.

**Parishioner News:** We are thinking of having a church picnic at a park in either late August or September. The picnic would be after the Divine Liturgy. There will be a cost to attend the picnic, in the area of \$35.00 - \$40.00 for adults and approximately \$20.00 for children. The price will include food and activities for approximately 3 hours.

The parks being considered are :

The Brandywine Picnic Park located in 690 South Creek Road West Chester, PA 19382  
<http://picnic.com/>

The Neshaminy Shore Picnic Park located in 13 Beaver Street Hulmeville, PA 19047  
<http://www.nspp.com/>

Nilda Salavaci is coordinating this event. Let her know what you think or if you would be willing to help. Contact Nilda at [trustee.nilda@stjohnsphila.org](mailto:trustee.nilda@stjohnsphila.org)

Congratulations & Many years to Mirna & Davit on their marriage last Sunday!

**Attention all Parishioners;** Would you or anyone you know consider a job as a live in nanny after the summer. There are two children who are both challenged. Most times there is one at home while the father takes the other. They are in school during the week days. Contact Jen Abramson at [abramson.jen@gmail.com](mailto:abramson.jen@gmail.com) or 215-519-5660

**Upcoming Events:**

Tuesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm

July 25<sup>th</sup> Rose Mary Notskas - 40 Day Memorial

**Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup>** Outreach Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

October 2<sup>nd</sup> Gregory E. Costa Golf Classic SAVE THE DATE!!!

**Coffee Hour Sponsors:** Thank you to those who have signed up!

July 3<sup>rd</sup> Grabocka Family – Peter's Nameday

**July 10<sup>th</sup> No sponsor**

July 17<sup>th</sup> Nick Naum Scholarship Committee

July 25<sup>th</sup> Family of Rose Mary Notskas in memory of Rose Mary

July 31<sup>st</sup> Ilirjan & Fiori Papa – Nameday for Ilirjan & Elias

August 7<sup>th</sup> Greta Dilo in memory of Afrodhiti Dilo

August 14<sup>th</sup> Rubis Family in memory of Margaret

*Please take a look at the coffee hour list and sign up for an open date*

**Readers Schedule:** July 3<sup>rd</sup> Adam, July 10<sup>th</sup> Chris, July 17<sup>th</sup> Michelle D,  
July 24<sup>th</sup> Adam. July 31<sup>st</sup> Chris.