

The Weekly Messenger – May 29, 2016
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Epistle Acts of the Apostles 11:19-30 Gospel: John 4:5-42

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!
KRISHTI U NGJALL! VERTET U NGJALL!

The fifth Sunday of Holy Pascha is observed by the Orthodox Church as the Sunday of the Samaritan Woman. The day commemorates the encounter of Christ with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well. The biblical story of this event and the dialog between Christ and the woman is found in the Gospel of Saint John 4:5-42. - See more at: http://lent.goarch.org/sunday_of_the_samaritan_woman/learn/#sthash.Er4FB5dY.dpuf

Please send information about the graduates in your family, College, High School, 8th Grade. We would like to acknowledge and congratulate our graduates. Please send an email to info@stjohnsphila.org Include the name of the graduate and the school from which they graduated. For 8th grade graduates, let us know what high school they will be attending next year. For HS grads that are attending college, let us know the name of the college, or what they will be pursuing. For College graduates, let us know their degree and plans for the future. We would also like the proud parents and grandparents names. Thank-you!

Commemorations for the Departed: Brent, Bettye & Tranette Ledford, Daniel Coraluzzi, 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, Linda Kosta, Julia Thack, Virginia Daka, Semele Halkedis, Katherine Halkedis, Donna Hlavacek, Haretina (Papa) Milo, Susan, Philip Kosta, Margarita, Peter Melnik, Clive & Dhimitri Miller, Rosemary Notskas, Kim Burdumy, Andigoni Steffa, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in Armed Forces.

Readers Schedule: May 29th Adam C. June 5th Chris, June 12th Reader Mark, June 19th Michele D. June 26th NO liturgy at St. John's

May Giving: Paper towels & Paper plates

Parishioner News: *Congratulations* and Many Years to Florina Bacuta & Drew Garcia who recently became engaged. A wedding date is yet to be set.

Congratulations to George & Ermalinda Kosova who are expecting their first child in August.

Congratulations to Stephanie Kosta (daughter of Linda & Phil Kosta) who was recently named to the Top 50: Women Pennsylvania Super Lawyers List! This is the second year in a row Stephanie has been named. Way to go Stephanie!!

Sunday school graduation is scheduled for next Sunday, June 5th. Rain date June 12th. Michelle Dardaris is graduating! After the graduation, the Sunday school students and their parents will go to Kathie Costa's house for a cookout and pool party! Please contact Director Steve for additional details.

Upcoming Events:

May 29th Memorial for Brent, Bettye and Tranette Ledford (40 days for Brent)

May 30th Memorial Day Father Brooks will bless the graves at Fernwood & Lawnview

June 5th Baptism of Mirna el Khatib – During the Divine Liturgy

Dean Dickos will be Mirna's Sponsor and Sunday school graduation

Tuesday, June 7th Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, June 8th 7:00 pm Vesperal Liturgy Feast of the Ascension (pot luck dinner after – you don't have to bring anything we always have plenty!)

June 12th Senior Class Luncheon following coffee hour

Saturday, June 18th YAL get together to celebrate Davit & Mirna's marriage

June 19th Pentecost & Father's Day

Saturday, June 25th Great Vespers SS Peter & Paul Church 6:00 pm

June 26th No Divine Liturgy at St. John's - We will celebrate the Divine Liturgy with Ss. Peter & Paul Church. It is the 100th Anniversary of their first Liturgy.

Archbishop Nikon will be visiting their parish.

4:00pm Marriage of Davit Jishkariani & Mirna El Khatib
(Dean Dickos will be their Sponsor)

October 2nd Gregory E. Costa Golf Classic SAVE THE DATE!!!

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

May 29th Entela & Dhimiter Ndrecka

June 5th Mike & Carolyn Dardaris

June 12th Jim & Paula Bendo

June 19th *Open Date No Sponsor*

June 26th No Divine Liturgy at St. John's

July 5th Grabacka Family – Peter's Nameday

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