

## The Weekly Messenger – July 1, 2018

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*Epistle: I Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8*      *Gospel: Matthew 8:28-34; 9:1*

**5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday of Matthew:** Having learned the joyful proclamation of the Resurrection from the Angel, and having cast off the ancestral condemnation, the women disciples of the Lord spake to the Apostles exultantly: Death is despoiled and Christ God is risen, granting great mercy to the world.

[http://www.goarch.org/chapel/saints\\_view?contentid=913&PCode=5PES&D=S&date=7/5/2015](http://www.goarch.org/chapel/saints_view?contentid=913&PCode=5PES&D=S&date=7/5/2015)

**Commemorations for the Departed:** Lilly Shallapi, Steven DiStefano, Castor Notskas, Michael Theokary, Jorgjia Kashari (2 yrs.), 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:** Donna Hlavcek, Father Dimitrie Vincent, Dolly Seiler, Sara, Wayne Merkle, Elizabeth Jones, Ann Gjoka, Virginia Daka, Haretina (Papa) Milo, Margarita, Peter Melnik, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in the Armed Forces.

*If you have a name to add to the Commemorations for the departed or the living please email [info@stjohnsphila.org](mailto:info@stjohnsphila.org)*

**Parishioner News:** We are happy to report Karen Kane has accepted a position with the Ritz Carlton in Philadelphia and will be moving back to the Philadelphia area from Virginia. Welcome home Karen!!

Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary to Evisa (Frashari) & Greg Boyle who were married at St. John Chrysostom on June 30, 2017. Congratulations and Many Years!

**July Namedays: Per Shume Vjet! Gezuar!** To our parishioners and friends who celebrate their Nameday in July: July 8<sup>th</sup> Great Martyr Procopius, July 17<sup>th</sup> Great Martyr Marina, July 20<sup>th</sup> Prophet Elijah, July 24<sup>th</sup> Great Martyr Christina of Tyre, July 27<sup>th</sup> St. Panteleimon

**Last Sunday Father Brooks** explained some of the facets of the Divine Liturgy. He periodically stopped the Liturgy, took a moment to inform our parishioners what he was doing and the meaning behind his actions. Father Brooks would like feedback on the Liturgy last week as well as his weekly sermons. Please let him know during coffee hour or drop him an email to share your thoughts.

**Coffee Hour Sponsors:** Please check the sign-up sheet in the vestibule and pick a date or visit our website and sign up online: <https://teamup.com/ksqta3sqv6klqvr2o7>

**July 1<sup>st</sup>** Spartak Brahollari & Nilda Salavachi

**July 8<sup>th</sup>** Elvira & Erion Gusho

**July 15<sup>th</sup>** NO SPONSOR

**July 22<sup>nd</sup>** Zoidis Family

**July 29<sup>th</sup> & August 5<sup>th</sup>** NO SPONSORS

#### **Upcoming Events:**

**July 10<sup>th</sup>** Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm

**July 22<sup>nd</sup>** 1 - year memorial Tom Zoidis

**July 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>** All American Council & Archdiocesan Assembly St. Louis MO

**Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> – Aug 5<sup>th</sup>** AANO Convention Washington D.C.

**Aug 14<sup>th</sup>** Vesperal Liturgy – Dormition of the Theotokos 7:00 pm followed by pot luck

**Aug 19<sup>th</sup>** Wedding of Costina Bacuta & Michael Morrison 1:00 pm

**Aug 26<sup>th</sup>** Divine Liturgy & Church Picnic Neshaminy State Park 12:00 pm

**Saturday Sept 15<sup>th</sup>** Church clean-up day 10:00 am and

Charity & Benevolence prep for Sunday Sept 16th

**The Charity & Benevolence Committee** is planning to feed the area homeless and supply them with clothing on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> following the Divine Liturgy. More information will follow - but save the date and plan to help out.

**Outdoor Liturgy and Church Picnic:** Mark your calendars, Sunday, August 26, 2018 at Neshaminy State Park. We will meet at 12:00 pm and celebrate the Divine Liturgy. Following the Liturgy, we will gather for a picnic. Food, music, dancing, games, a day of fun! Bring a friend.

**Welcome to our visitors.** Father Brooks, the members of our Parish Council, and our church community thank you for celebrating the Divine Liturgy with us. We invite you to join us for coffee hour and

**July Giving:** Paper towels