

**The Weekly Messenger – June 14, 2015**

**St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church**

**237 North 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103**

**Father Brooks Ledford Office: 215-563-0979**

**Website: <http://www.stjohnsphila.org>**

**Email address: [info@stjohnsphila.org](mailto:info@stjohnsphila.org)**

*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)

**Commemorations for the Living:** Archbishop Nikon, Father Stephen Siniari, Father Ken James Stavrevsky, Deacon Michael Sochka, Ermalinda Kosova, Fioralba Papa, Marion Merkle, Jorgjia Kashari, Tranette Ledford, Jennie Sapnas, Peter Melnik, Semele Halkedis, Peter Mallios, Elaine Quirias, George Robos, Wayne Merkle, Sophie, Clive & Dhimitri Miller, Rosemary Notskas, Kim Burdumy, Leslie Sochka, Andigoni Steffa, Mary Croke, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in Armed Forces.

**Commemorations for the Departed:** Judye Valliere, Father Deacon Stephen Stefani and those servicemen and women who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their Country.

**Coffee Hour Sponsors:** Thank you very much!

June 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday School – Pizza for the Sunday School graduation celebration

June 21<sup>st</sup> Cosmo – Dimitri Family

June 28<sup>th</sup> William Bortner in honor of his nephew, Landon Kemp's baptism

July 5<sup>th</sup> Name Day Grabocka Family

July 12<sup>th</sup> Andrew & Sophia Kozlov

July 19<sup>th</sup> Fiori & Ilirjan Papa in honor of Ilirjan & Elias' Nameday

**Monthly Giving:** Napkins & Paper towels

**Father Brooks** will be in Texas June 8 – 20, 2015. He will be attending his daughter's high school graduation and finalizing his family's move to Philadelphia. From June 9 – 20, if you are in need of a priest contact Father Brooks (210-461-1956), and he will make arrangements for a priest to contact you.

**The St. John's Newsletter – Summer 2015** edition- has been emailed and mailed to our parishioners and friends. If you or someone you know did not receive a copy of the newsletter please contact us at 215-563-0979 or email [info@stjohnsphila.org](mailto:info@stjohnsphila.org)

**Upcoming Events:**

June 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday school graduation

June 21<sup>st</sup> Father's Day

June 28<sup>th</sup>, SS Peter & Paul Nameday Celebration, St. John Chrysostom will be open and celebrate the Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am.

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

July 15<sup>th</sup> Stewardship Meeting 7:00 pm

September 13<sup>th</sup> Gregory E. Costa Golf Classic

September 24 – 26<sup>th</sup> Archdiocesan Assembly – Worcester MA.

November 15<sup>th</sup> Parish Nameday Celebration – Archbishop Nikon will celebrate Liturgy

**Sunday school:** Today, after the Divine Liturgy, our Sunday school will hold their end of the year ceremony. Congratulations to our Sunday school students and for completing the year! Special thanks to our Sunday school teachers: Linda Biando, Nicole Ferrara, Michele Lorimer, Fjori Lakuriqi, Traci Cosmo, Marinela Prifti, Father Brooks, and assistant director, Diane Coraluzzi. We are extremely grateful to our very dedicated Sunday School Director, Steve Coraluzzi, for organizing and guiding us through another fantastic year!

Great Job Mr. Cheeseball!

**Parishioner News:**

On June 27<sup>th</sup>, Landon Kemp, nephew of William Bortner, will be baptized.

*If you have information you would like to share with our parishioners please email [info@stjohnsphila.org](mailto:info@stjohnsphila.org)*

**Reader Schedule:** 14 June - Zach Dardaris, 21 June - Michelle Dardaris, 28 June - Adam Coraluzzi

***Special Thanks to Bishop Seraphim for celebrating the Divine Liturgy with us today!***