

The Weekly Messenger –January 20, 2013
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Gospel - Luke 18:35-43

Epistle – Colossians 1:12-18

If you would like to have someone remembered in prayer or are in need of a priest please contact Donna Dimitri, Parish Council Chair, chairperson@stjohnsphila.org or 609-685-1651.

Commemorations for the Living: Metropolitan Tikhon, Archbishop Nikon, Father Stephen Siniari, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Vjollca Ruci, Mary Legidakes, Francesca Giansante, Pandeli Spiro, Clive Miller, Rosemary Notskas, Peter Mallios, Diane Rubis, Katherine Zoidis, Marcena Moore, Nick Naum, Flossie Vissar, Kathleen, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, Clement, Alice and all the servicemen especially, Dylan Colclough (Marines-Okinawa).

Commemorations for the Departed: Sally Zoidis (Tom Zoidis sister-in-law), Nick Dimitri, Peter Kosta, Father Deacon Stephen Stefani and those servicemen who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their Country.

Pastoral Coverage: Today (1/20) Father Joe Toroney
Father Joe Toroney will serve at St. John Chrysostom; Jan 27th, February and March

Coffee Hour Sponsors: Today (1/20) Margarita & Vangjel Haxhistasa in memory of their parents Anastas & Efterpi Haxhistasa and Vasil and Evllogji Londo
Jan 27th Kosta Family in memory of Peter
Feb 3rd Sara Dimitri in memory of Nick
Feb 10th Margarita Sevi & Alfred Coni
We are in need of coffee hour sponsors for the remainder of Feb and March. Please sign up!

Parishioner Update: Dhimiter Ndrecka remains in the hospital after suffering a stroke. Please keep him in your prayers.

We are looking for parishioners to donate Meshe. Please sign up on the board in the vestibule.

Icon Auction: We are extremely pleased to report our 2013 Icon Auction raised \$13,750.00 for our parish! Thank you, Thank you, Thank you to everyone who bid on an icon. Both Sundays were great fun for our parishioners. Everyone was a winner! Special thanks to our auctioneer, Peter Ghicondey, who did a super great job as is evident by the amount of money raised. Also a special thanks to Phil Kosta for assisting our auctioneer, Michele Anderson and Dorothy Tomassini for recording the bids and extra special thanks to our Icon display helpers: Lillie Whitney, Julianna Melnik and Olivia Highland. The girls carried the Icons for all to see, no doubt increasing the bids! Great job everyone!! Photos are available for viewing on our website www.stjohnsphila.org

Ladies Club: Looking for donations of new or gently used blankets and winter jackets/coats. These items will be donated to the homeless. Please check your closets, attics and basements; you may have items you haven't used in years! Please bring them to church and we will make sure someone less fortunate gets them.

Sunday school: Were your children in Sunday school last week? If not we missed you! Come this week to find out what is going on. Sunday school director Steve Coraluzzi may be contacted at 610-459-0311, 856-562-9672, or e-mail sundayschooldirector@stjohnsphila.org

Upcoming Events:

January 27 th	40 Day Memorial Peter Kosta
February 3 rd	40 Day Memorial Nick Dimitri
February 4 th	Parish Council Meeting
March 3 rd	New date for General Parish Meeting after Divine Liturgy
March 16 th	Women's (Mother's) Day Dance (Mark your calendar!) (date change)
September 15 th	Save the date: <i>Gregory E. Costa Golf Classic</i>

Stewardship: Pledge cards are available at the candle stand. You may also visit our website www.stjohnsphila.org for the pledge card and make you pledge online. If you would like to assist with this committee or lend a hand in any way please contact a member of parish council either in person or through the website.

Website: www.stjohnsphila.org Did you know you can make a donation online? Visit the website and let us know what you think. We need your help to make the site better and more informative. E-mail Peter Ghicondey, vicechairperson@stjohnsphila.org

January Giving: Paper towels---we can always use more---

Thank you Father Joe and Prifteresha Kathy for celebrating the Divine Liturgy with us today!