

**The Weekly Messenger –January 27, 2013**  
**St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church**  
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Gospel - Matthew 22:35-46

Epistle – Colossians 3:4-11

*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](mailto:chairperson@stjohnsphila.org) or 609-685-1651.*

**Commemorations for the Living:** Metropolitan Tikhon, Archbishop Nikon, Father Stephen Siniari, Dhimitri 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:** Peter Kosta, Gus Kosta, Nick Dimitri, Father Deacon Stephen Stefani and those servicemen who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their Country.

**Memorials Today (1/27):** 40 Days for Peter Kosta, 3 years for Gus Kosta

**Pastoral Coverage:** Today (1/27) Father Joe Toroney  
Father Joe Toroney will serve at St. John Chrysostom all of February and March

**Coffee Hour Sponsors: Jan 27<sup>th</sup> Kosta Family in memory of Peter & Gus**

Feb 3rd Sara Dimitri in memory of Nick

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> Margarita Sevi & Alfred Coni

We are in need of coffee hour sponsors for the remainder of Feb and March. Please sign up!

**Parishioner Update:** Dhimitri Ndrecka continues he recovery from a stroke. Dhimitri is currently at Magee Rehabilitation, Six Franklin Plaza, 19102, Room 445. Please keep Dhimitri and his family in your prayers.

**Coffee Hour & Meshe:** There are plenty of open dates to sign up to sponsor coffee hour and make Meshe for the Divine Liturgy. Please stop at the sign up sheet in the side vestibule and pick a date!

**Pastoral Coverage:** We are pleased to report Father Brooks Ledford (pastor at St. John's Jan 2001 – August 2002) will serve at our parish Lazarus Saturday, Holy Week and Pascha (April 27 - May 5, 2013). The exact service schedule will be posted in the messenger. We will not have Wednesday night Pre-Sanctified Liturgy during Great Lent. We encourage our parishioners to attend Ss. Peter & Paul Albanian Orthodox church for Pre-Sanctified Liturgies beginning Wednesday, March 20, 2013 @ 7:00 pm.

**OCA News:** Parish Vice-chairperson, Peter Ghicondey and his wife Nancy will travel to Washington D.C. on January 27<sup>th</sup> (today) to represent our parish and attend the installation of His Beatitude, Metropolitan TIKHON. Peter will be joined by Jim and Christina Schaeffer and Harry and Katherine Halkedis from Ss. Peter and Paul.

**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.

**Upcoming Events:**

February 3<sup>rd</sup> 40 Day Memorial Nick Dimitri

February 4<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting

March 3<sup>rd</sup> **General Parish Meeting after Divine Liturgy**

March 16<sup>th</sup> Women's (Mother's) Day Dance (Mark your calendar!)

September 15<sup>th</sup> Save the date: *Gregory E. Costa Golf Classic*

September 27, 28 Archdiocesan Assembly St. Nicholas Church, Jamaica Estates, NY

**Stewardship:** Pledge cards are available at the candle stand. You may also visit our website [www.stjohnsphila.org](http://www.stjohnsphila.org). Our pledge card is now online. Please submit your pledge card as soon as possible. Our parish is at a cross road concerning the pastoral coverage. Can we afford a full time pastor? Consider this when you fill out your pledge card.

**Website:** [www.stjohnsphila.org](http://www.stjohnsphila.org) Our web site is updated weekly. Please visit.

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