The Weekly Messenger –June 2, 2013

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Epistle - Acts 11:19-26, 29-30 Gospel - John 4:5-42

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

Commemorations for the Living: Metropolitan Tikhon, Archbishop Nikon, Father Stephen Siniari, Newly illuminated Savina Marie and Edon Alex, Linda Kosta, Mac, those injured by the tornado in Oklahoma, Cranford, Kristin Snow, Madeline Couris-Guarinello, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Mary Legidakes, Francesca Giansante, Pandeli Spiro, Rosemary Notskas, Peter Mallios, Katherine Zoidis, Marcena Moore, Flossie Vissar, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all the servicemen especially, Matthew Sherwood (Army-Afghanistan), Steven Cosmo (Marines-Romania), Dylan Colclough (Marines-Okinawa).

Commemorations for the Departed: Katherine Detskas, those who perished in the Oklahoma tornado, Father Deacon Stephen Stefani and those servicemen who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their Country.

Pastoral Coverage:

June 2 & 9 Father Joe Toroney June 16 & 23 Father Mark Koczak

Coffee Hour Sponsors: Thank you very much!!

June 2nd Colleen & Sergio Xhoxhi

June 9th Sunday School Graduation

June 16th Ervin Elbasani & Yllka Lena

Please sign up for one of our open coffee hour dates: June 23, Sept 1, Nov 3 & 24, Dec 1

Important Dates:

June 2nd 3 year Memorial Katherine Detskas

June 3rd Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm

June 8th, Saturday, Flea Market at SS Peter & Paul 8:00 am contact Jim Schaeffer for additional information sspeterpaul2@verizon.net

June 9th Sunday School Graduation

June 23rd Holy Pentecost

June 29th Saturday 9:00 am Divine Liturgy at SS Peter & Paul Church- Parish Nameday June 30th SS Peter & Paul Luncheon following the Divine Liturgy @ SS Peter & Paul

Sept 15th Gregory E. Costa Golf Outing Paxon Hollow Country Club - Mark your calendar!

The fifth Sunday after the Feast 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. (http://lent.goarch.org/sunday of the samaritan woman/learn/)

Special Request from Covenant House for Donations:

Covenant House was founded in 1972 with the simple, profound mission to help homeless kids escape the streets. Today it is the largest privately funded charity in the Americas providing loving care and vital services to homeless, abandoned, abused, trafficked, and exploited youth. Father Stephen Siniari is employed by Covenant House and is currently assigned to the City of Camden, reaching out to the young people living on the street. If you are able to donate any of the following items, please bring them to Church and they will be given to Fr. Stephen:

Food Items: canned spaghetti, soup, chocolate chip granola bars, tuna fish, jelly, pasta noodles (angel hair, penne, etc.), spaghetti sauce, oatmeal; Baby Items: Enfamil (Premium), baby bottles, receiving blankets, pacifiers, wipes, size 5 diapers; *Hygiene Items*: white tshirts (small, medium), socks (boys', girls', any color), underwear (teens 18, 19, 20 years old)

We need your help! Please send information about the graduates in your family: High School, College, 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, the school they graduated from. For 8th grade please let us know what school they will be attending next year; HS grads: if they are attending college, the name of the college, or what they will be pursuing. College graduates: their degree and plans for the future. We would also like the proud parents and grandparents names. We have received information for 8 graduates. Have you sent information for your graduate so that we may congratulate them???

Sunday School Graduation: Please join us on June 9, 2013 for our Sunday school graduation. The Sunday school will sponsor coffee hour that day using the money they raised during the year.

If you or someone you know was baptized at St. John Chrysostom but did not receive a Baptismal Certificate please contact a Parish Council Member or send an email to info@stjohnsphila.org. We will prepare a Baptismal Certificate and send it to you.

Per Shume Vjet, Gezuar! To our parishioners who celebrate their namedays in June: June 1 Martyr Justin the Philosopher, June 27 St. Joanna Myrrhbearer, June 29 Ss Peter & Paul, June 30 All Saints

Thank you Father Joe and Prifteresha Kathy for serving at St. John today!