

**The Weekly Messenger –May 26, 2013**  
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*Epistle - Acts 9:32-42 Gospel - John 5:1-15*

## **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, 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:** Vrisidha, Minella, Dorothy Zoto, 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:**

May 26, June 16 & 23 Father Mark Koczak      June 2 & 9 Father Joe Toroney

**Coffee Hour Sponsors:**

May 26<sup>th</sup> Cutshaw, Zoto, Efessiou Families in memory of Vrisidha Zoto  
June 2<sup>nd</sup> Colleen & Sergio Xhoxhi  
June 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday School Graduation  
June 16<sup>th</sup> Ervin Elbasani & Yilka Lena

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

**Important Dates:**

May 26<sup>th</sup> 40 Day Memorial Vrisidha Zoto – Memory Eternal!  
Monday, May 27, Father Mark will be at Fernwood Cemetery @10:00 am to bless the graves  
June 2<sup>nd</sup> 3 year Memorial Katherine Detskas  
June 3<sup>rd</sup> Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm  
June 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday School Graduation  
Sept 15<sup>th</sup> Gregory E. Costa Golf Outing  
Nov 11<sup>th</sup> Parish Nameday & Luncheon – Archbishop Nikon will celebrate the Liturgy.

**We have Exciting News!!** St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church has a Facebook page. Visit the link below and **LIKE US!** Thank you Michele Anderson for setting this up.  
<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnChrysostomAlbanianOrthodoxChurch>

**We need your help!** Please send information about the graduates in your family: High School, College, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade! We would like to acknowledge and congratulate our graduates. Please send an email to [info@stjohnsphila.org](mailto:info@stjohnsphila.org). Include the name of the graduate, the school they graduated from. For 8<sup>th</sup> 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 6 graduates. Have you sent information for your graduate so that we may congratulate them???*

**Buddy Walk:** Team Brother John raised & collected \$2,954 for the Down syndrome Association of DE. Susan & Vlad Melnik would like to thank everyone at St. John's for their generous donations. St. John's donated a grand total of \$625 to our team. \$125 of that was collected by Michelle Dardaris at coffee hour through the selling of brother John bracelets! Moore Brothers Wine Company (Marcy Moore's sons) are an annual t-shirt sponsor for our team donating \$500. Despite the soggy weather, we walked, picnicked, and enjoyed a nice afternoon of fellowship, celebration & relaxation with family and friends. Mark, Tish, Bill, Candace & Michelle were able to join us as representatives from St. John's.

**Congratulations to:** Kostandin & Oanh Pajcini for the baptism of their daughter Savina Marie; and Ervin Elbasani & Yilka Lena for the baptism of their son, Edon Alex. The children were baptized by Father Stephen Siniari at St. John Chrysostom Church. May God grant them all Many Years!

**Grave Blessing at Fernwood Cemetery:** Father Mark will be at Fernwood Cemetery on Monday, May 27, 2013, Memorial Day, @ 10:00 am. Please contact John Rubis or Linda Notskas, if you would like to have a grave blessed. We would like to have an idea of the number of people planning to go to the cemetery. Memory Eternal for your departed family members and friends.

**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](mailto:info@stjohnsphila.org). We will prepare a Baptismal Certificate and send it to you.

Thank you Father Mark for serving today!