

October 26, 2008 – 19th Sun. after Pentecost. Tone 2. Greatmartyr Demetrios the Myrrh-gusher of Thessalonica (ca. 306). Commemoration of the Great Earthquake at Constantinople (740). St. Theophil of the Kiev Caves, Bishop of Novgorod (1482). Martyr Lupus (ca. 306). Ven. Athanasius of Medikion Monastery (ca. 814). St. Dimitri of Basarbovo in Bulgaria (1685). Monk Martyr Joseph of Dionysiou (1518). **Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9. **Gospel:** Luke 16:19-31.

Next Sunday, November 2 – 20th Sun. after Pentecost. Tone 2. Epistle: Galatians 1:11-19. **Gospel:** Luke 8:26-39.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S (October 26, 2008)

TODAY

11:15 AM Church School and Bible Class
11:45 AM Sisterhood Chicken Dinner
5:00 PM Teen Group

TUESDAY

6:00 PM Vespers
6:30 PM *Path to Salvation Class:* Epistle of St. James

WEDNESDAY

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy: reading from the Prologue

SATURDAY

8:30 AM Festival of Icons (begins with Molieben)
5:00 PM Great Vespers

SUNDAY (Nov. 2)

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy: 20th Sun. after Pentecost
11:15 AM Church School & Adult Class

Basket Collection today (Oct. 26): St. Mary of Egypt House (Cleveland)

“And [the Lord] said to me, ‘My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.’ Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.” (2 Corinthians 12:9)

COMING EVENTS CALENDAR

Oct. 26 Sisterhood Chicken Dinner (following Liturgy and Church Sch.)

Nov. 10-13 All-American Council (Pittsburgh)

Nov. 15 First Day of the Nativity Fast (Advent)

Offerings: 10-19-08: \$1,725.00; Attendance: 10-19-08: 110; Candle Commemorations: 10-26-08: Theotokos: anniversary of David and Kathy Quick. Altar: blessed memory of Stehnach and Pope families. Christ: -----.

Path to Salvation Class: the Tuesday evening class begins the study of the *Epistle of St. James* on October 21. All are invited and encouraged to join the class which begins about 6:30 PM following Vespers.



ADULT CLASS AFTER SUNDAY LITURGY: Parents and Adults, come and join us in the Hall following Liturgy for an informative Class in Faith and Practice. For the next month and a half (or so), we'll take up issues of Church and Society: Government, Family (gender roles, parenting, sexual orientation), and Life Issues (abortion, capital punishment, life support/extreme medical measures).



Next Fish Dinners: Nov. 7 & 21. All help is needed and welcome. About 25-30 desserts are needed for each Dinner. See Barb McKenzie for more details.

TEEN GROUP – meets again at 5:00 PM this evening (Oct. 26):

All teens of the Parish (those who will be 13 by Dec. 31 to 19 yr.-olds) are invited to join together for dinner, discussion, and plans!!!

NEW BOILER FUND UPDATE: to date, \$9,705 has been given toward the cost of replacing our boiler heating system. The goal was \$10,000 by October 5, so thank you to all who have generously given!

Exercise Class here at St. John's - Wednesday at 7:00 PM and Saturday at 8:30 AM; all interested persons, come and enjoy. Kathy Soltis-Cyhan will be leading the class. **No Class this Saturday, Nov. 1.**

For the month of October the children will be holding Christmas Stockings at the end of Liturgy, collecting donations for the Christmas Stocking Project of the Orthodox Church in America.

Classic Literature Reading Group

Current Book: *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, by Harriet Beecher Stowe

at Borders Café (Hwy. 46 near the Eastwood Mall)

every Wednesday from 11:00 AM to Noon

The group is facilitated by Fr. Jonathan. Everyone is welcome to join.

Relay for Life Team News:

- **2009 Entertainment Books** are for sale; they are \$25 each. See Mary Gearhart if you are interested in purchasing a book.
- **Upcoming Garage Sale** – the date is yet to be announced.

FYI: Our Teen Group is making plans to travel next June to our new Diocesan monastery in Marshfield, Missouri, Presentation of the Virgin Mary Monastery. We hope to work a couple of days at the monastery and then spend one day in Branson, Missouri, for recreation. All teens of the parish, come and join in the plans!

19th Annual Festival of Icons – November 1, 2008

Morning Speaker: Fr. Patrick Reardon (Church & State)

Afternoon Events: Dennis Bell, Iconographer

St. Nicholas Balalaika Ensemble (1:30)

St. John's Choir (3:30)

See the flyer on the bulletin board for more info.

Holy Resurrection (Romanian) Orthodox Church [on North Rd.] is hosting their annual Thanksgiving Dinner, Sunday, November 2, beginning at 12:15 P.M. All are invited to attend.

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS are needed, especially for Thanksgiving Boxes in November. All non-perishable canned and dry goods are much appreciated!



Christmas Play Practice Schedule

- + For all children of the Parish, ages 5-15;
- + All practices are at Church from 10-11:00 A.M. Christine DiGiacobbe is directing; please call her if your child is unable to attend one of the practices (Home #: 330-952-0786; Cell #: 330-207-9486).
- + The Christmas Play (performance) will be Sunday, December 21, after Divine Liturgy.

Remaining Practice Dates:

No practice Saturday, Nov. 1 (Festival of Icons)

Saturday, November 8

Saturday, November 15

Saturday, November 22

No practice Saturday, Nov. 29 (*Thanksgiving weekend*)

No practice Saturday, Dec. 6 (*St. Nicholas Day*)

Sunday, December 7 (briefly after Church School,
for instrumental parts ONLY)

Saturday, December 13

Saturday, December 20

Also during practice times on Saturdays, the children will be making ornaments for the smaller Christmas tree for the narthex of the Church. The ornaments are depictions of prophecies of the coming Christ.

19th Annual Festival of Icons November 1, 2008
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Event Schedule

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| 8:30 A.M. | Molieben (Prayer) Service |
| 9:00 A.M. | Registration |
| 9:30 A.M. | Fr. Patrick Reardon
<i>Church and State, Part 1</i> |
| 10:15 A.M. | Break/browse bookstore |
| 10:30 A.M. | Fr. Patrick Reardon
<i>Church and State, Part 2</i> |
| 11:30 A.M. | Lunch/Church Tours |
| 12:30 P.M. | Dennis Bell, Iconographer
<i>Icon Basics w/slide show</i> |
| 1:30 P.M. | St. Nicholas Balalaika Ensemble |
| 2:30 P.M. | Dennis Bell (<i>Icon demonstration</i>) |
| 3:30 P.M. | St. John the Baptist Choir |
| 5:00 P.M. | Great Vespers |

You must pre-register to receive lunch.

