

November 9, 2008 – 21ST Sun. after Pentecost. Tone 4. Martyrs Onesiphorus and Porphyrius of Ephesus (3rd – 4th c.). Ven. Matrona. Abbess of Constantinople (ca. 492). Ven. Theoctiste of Lesbos (881). Ven. Onisifor the Confessor, of the Kiev Caves (1148). Martyr Alexander of Thessalonica (4th c.). Martyr Anthony of Apamea. Ven. John the Short, of Egypt (5th c.). Ss. Eustolia (610) and Sosipatra (ca. 625) of Constantinople. St. Nectarios Kephalas, Metropolitan of Pentapolis. Ven. Euthymius, Founder of Dochiariou Monastery (Mt. Athos, 10th c.), and Ven. Neophytus, co-founder of the Monastery. **Epistle:** Galatians 2:16-20. **Gospel:** Luke 8:41-56.

Next Sunday, November 16 – 22nd Sun. after Pentecost. Tone 5. Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18. **Gospel:** Luke 10:25-37.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S (Nov. 9, 2008)

TODAY

11:15 AM Church School and Bible Class
11:45 AM Potluck Lunch

MONDAY-THURSDAY

15th All-American Council of the Orthodox Church in America (Pittsburgh, PA)
No services or classes will meet this week on Tuesday or Wednesday.

FRIDAY

8 AM – 4 PM Sausage Production

SATURDAY (Nativity Fast begins)

10:00 AM Christmas Program Practice (children)
6:00 PM Great Vespers
7:00 PM Akathist to the Theotokos (at St. Demetrios Church)

SUNDAY (Nov. 16)

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy: 22nd Sun. after Pentecost
11:15 AM Church School & Adult Class
5:00 PM Teen Group

NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS ARE GREATLY NEEDED FOR OUR FOOD PANTRY, ESPECIALLY TO FILL THANKSGIVING FOOD BOXES AT THE END OF THE MONTH. PLEASE GIVE AS YOU ARE ABLE.

COMING EVENTS CALENDAR

- Nov. 10-13** All-American Council (Pittsburgh)
- Nov. 15** First Day of the Nativity Fast (Advent); 7:00 PM Akathist to the Theotokos (at St. Demetrios Church)
- Nov. 21** Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

Offerings: 11-02-08: \$2,831.00; Attendance: 11-02-08: 110; Candle Commemorations: 11-09-08: Theotokos: birthdays of Moriah and Christian Cholcher. Altar: blessed memory of Steve Skovran. Christ: -----.

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



ADULT CLASS AFTER SUNDAY LITURGY: we are finishing up issues of Church and Society and will begin a new topic: *Angels and Demons*, on November 16.



Next Fish Dinner: Nov. 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 on Sunday, Nov. 16:

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!!!

Exercise Class here at St. John's - Wednesday at 7:00 PM and Saturday at 8:30 AM; Kathy Soltis-Cyhan will be leading the class.

Holy Trinity Orthodox Christian Academy is hosting a Nativity Fund Raiser providing festive centerpieces and baskets. See the order form on the bulletin board. Call the school at 330-399-7642 for more information.

Classic Literature Reading Group

New Book (11/19): *The Last Days of Socrates*, by Plato (4 dialogues)

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.

Saturday, November 15, 2008 at 5 PM

- Kyriacos C. Markides, author of *The Mountain of Silence* and *Gifts of the Desert*, will speak at **Archangel Michael Community Center, 401 12th Street, Campbell, Ohio;**

- Great Vespers will be served at 5 PM, followed by Dinner and Dr. Markides; call 330-755-3596 for more info and dinner plans (see the flyer on the bulletin board).

+ The Nativity Fast (Advent) begins this coming Saturday, November 15. As is our custom in the Warren churches, a joint Akathist service will be served to begin the season of the Fast, Saturday, November 15, at St. Demetrios Church, beginning at 7:00 PM. Following Vespers next Saturday, you are encouraged to join our brothers and sisters in Christ as we set our sights on the Feast of our Lord's Birth, with prayer, fasting, and the giving of self.

The Sisterhood will not meet again until January 2009. Ladies, please consult Judy Reed with any Sisterhood questions or concerns.

15th All-American Council of the Orthodox Church in America

November 10-13 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Fr. Jonathan and Clyde McKenzie will be attending.

Pray for our Church, that the Holy Spirit guide us to do the will of God as we elect a new Metropolitan and conduct the necessary business of the Church.

May God the Holy Trinity have mercy on us and bless us!