

FOUR EVANGELISTS ORTHODOX MISSION

BULLETIN

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August 2, 2009

Schedule of Services and Activities Week of August 2, 2009

Dormition Fast continues

Sunday, August 2, 2009

8:15am Matins
9:15am Hours
9:15am Confessions
9:30am Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour

Thursday, August 6, 2008

**The Holy Transfiguration of our
Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ**

Sunday, August 9, 2009

8:15am Matins
9:15am Hours
9:15am Confessions
9:30am Divine Liturgy
Blessing of Fruit
Coffee Hour

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN

YOUR PRAYERS: Archbishop Antony, Metropolitan Constantine, Bishop Daniel, Fr. Michael Roshak, Rdr. Basil Athas, Adora, Amy and James, Barry, Beth Albano, Betty Bergstrom Carol, Carrie and Jess Bowman, John Broderick, Michael, Mark and Sally Carico, Rose Cross, Pani Chris Czumak, Dorothy, Angela, Scott, Lea and George, Andrew, Debbie and Al Eilbacher, Erik, Gail, Dorothy Green, Tracey Hand, Mary Hardester, John Robert Johnson, Ann Kietzman, Mary Kloplic and the child she bears, Jocelyn Mathewes and the child she bears, Doug Mauzy, Melissa, David Mukai, Peggy Mukai, Ann, Jonathan, Laura Musser and the child she bears, Nadia, Sally Novick, Megan, David, Hannah, Adam and Michael, Kim, Joe Rehmyer, Peter Roshak, Anthony Rotondo, Kris Sackett, James Sanderson, Sara, Thomas Smith, Bobby Sutton, Joe, Susan, Lily, Hannah and Tabitha, Yvonne

Weekly Scriptural Readings and Meneia

Sunday: Translation of the Relics of the Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen from Jerusalem to Constantinople

1 Corinthians 1:10-18 Matthew 14:14-22

Monday: Venerable Anthony the Roman, Igumen of Novgorod

1 Corinthians 11:31-12:6 Matthew 18:1-11

Tuesday: Holy Seven Youths of Ephesus
1 Corinthians 12:12-26 Matthew 18:18-22; 19:1-2;
13-15

Wednesday: Martyr Evsignius of Antioch

1 Corinthians 13:4-14:5 Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday: The Holy Transfiguration of our
Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ

2 Peter 1:10-19 Matthew 17:1-9

1 Corinthians 14:6-19 Matthew 20:17-28

Friday: Venerable Pimen, Faster of the Kyiv Caves
1 Corinthians 14:26-40 Matthew 21:12-14, 17-20

Saturday: Venerable Gregory, Iconographer of the
Kyiv Caves

Romans 14:6-9 Matthew 15:32-39

Sunday: Afterfeast of the Transfiguration
Apostle Matthias

1 Corinthians 3:9-17 Matthew 14:22-34

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY for our Mission Parish Community every day, that, by the grace of God, His Church may grow and become fully established, for the sanctification and salvation of souls, and that He may be worshipped and glorified in an Orthodox manner here in Northern Maryland.



2009 Tentative Schedule of Parish Events

August

August 1	Great Vespers Dormition Fast Begins
August 9	Blessing of Fruit for Transfiguration
August 10	6:30pm Parish Fellowship Dinner
August 15	9am Dormition Liturgy 6pm Great Vespers
August 19	6pm Luau at Lorien
August 23	Church School Meeting during Coffee Hour
August 26	7:30pm Parish Council Meeting

The Dormition Fast continues this week.

*As a reminder, the Church prescribes the following eating rules for this Fast: we abstain from meat, meat products, eggs, dairy products, fish with backbones, wine, and olive oil. Wine and olive oil are permitted on weekends. Fish, wine and oil are permitted on the Feast of Transfiguration, August 6th. Remember, fasting is not an end in itself, nor simply a means to an end, but the practical enacting of the virtues of self-control, contentment, temperance, and moderation, among others, by cooperating with the energies, the grace, of God. Abstinence from certain foods is intended as spiritual preparation for an experience of deeper communion with God. Each person is a unity of body and soul. A right spiritual diet and a discipline of fasting go together and strengthen each other. Just as prayer benefits not only the soul but also the body, so also fasting from foods benefits not only the body but also the soul. As St. Isaac the Syrian teaches, there can be no knowledge of the mysteries of God on a full stomach. **Fasting and prayer make us more sensitive to God's personal presence in our daily lives.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that the Audit of our Parish's 2008 financials has been completed, and found our records to be in order. Any parishioner may obtain a copy of the Audit Report, upon request, from a member of the Parish Council.

Please note that the Parish is seeking to purchase a set of **Festal Icons** (12 Great Feasts plus the Resurrection). These icons will adorn the walls of our new Temple, and will, of course, be used in our liturgical celebrations of the corresponding Feasts. Any persons who wish to donate one or more of the icons should see Fr. Gregory. The icons donated will bear an inscription on the back with the desired commemoration.

As announced by Vladyka Antony during his visit, an anonymous member of our Parish Family has offered to **match all contributions made to our Building Fund** over the next month (through the end of July). So, now is the time to dig deep, so that we might replenish what was spent on moving into this facility (half of our Building Fund). Remember, this place is our home

now, but it is not yet our permanent home- that place still awaits us, and a strong Building Fund is a necessity. Please pray, and then give more than you think that you can.

Please note that, here in our new home, we are responsible for trash removal. So, after every Service, we need one or 2 people to grab the filled garbage bags and bring them home, for removal with their own trash. Thank you. In addition, we must remember to clean up the Parish Hall after every use as well. The families assigned for Coffee Hour that day are responsible, however, *it would be nice if those who are not participating in the Coffee Hour rotation helped as well!*

Please note that we will be scheduling several Parish Work Days/ Evenings at our new facility throughout the rest of the summer, as we settle in to our new home. Everyone's help is needed! More information will be emailed to you as it becomes available.

This year's **Four Evangelists Ironbirds Game** will be held on **Saturday, September 5th, 2009 at 7:05pm. THIS IS A FIREWORKS GAME!** Looking forward to seeing you there!

An Orthodox Christian, who, after proper preparation, regularly participates in the Mystery of Holy Eucharist, should also participate in the Mystery of Repentance, making their Confession regularly. At a **minimum**, the fathers of the Church recommend making one's Confession four times per year- once during each of the Fasting Periods (Great Lent, Apostle's Fast, **Dormition Fast**, Nativity Fast), in addition to anytime that sin weighs heavily upon one's soul. **Our Bishops, however, strongly encourage monthly Confession for those who partake of the Holy Mystery of Communion on a weekly basis.** In accordance with the canons of the Church, anyone who misses 3 consecutive Sunday Liturgies **must** make their Confession **prior** to their next reception of Holy Communion. Confessions will be heard on Saturday evenings after Great Vespers, on Sunday mornings prior to the beginning of Divine Liturgy (during the chanting of the Hours), or by appointment with Fr. Gregory.

Anointing with the Oil of Holy Unction for healing is available for Orthodox Christians at the conclusion of each Divine Liturgy. Please come forward if you wish to be anointed.

Coffee Hour Sponsors

August 2 – Potluck Fundraiser
August 9 - Krowzow / Norton Families
August 16 - Czumak / Herbert Families
August 23 - Seeley / Klopoc Families
August 30 – Parish Picnic

(Fast Days underlined)

Please see Pani Chris if you would like to become involved in this ministry.

Current Building Fund: \$11,347.00