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16th Sunday after Pentecost

24 September 2023

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY (Tone 7)
Galatians 6:11-18; John 3:13-17
Next Sunday, Galatians 2:16-20; Mark 8:34-9:1
Vespers every Saturday evening @ 5:00 PM

REQUIEM MEMORIALS FOR TODAY

Peter & Theresa Janicki and Stephen & Anna Broda, offered by Arthur & Dolores Vidil Milan Klipa, offered by James & Adriana Klipa and Family John Greco, offered by Ray & Pat Kisselovich Charles & Margaret Telesko, Charles & Betty Casturo and Julia Caster, offered by Nancy DelBianco

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Elevation of the Lifegiving Cross Wednesday, September 27, 2023 – *This is a strict fast day!*

Tuesday evening, 6:30 PM - Vigil Service (Vespers & Matins)

Wednesday Morning, 9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy

SAINTS NAME FOR THIS WEEK TODAY, SUNDAY (Sept 24/11)Theodora, Evanthea, Ksenia (of Petersburg), Paphutius, Sergius,
Gherman, Evfrosinus, Diodor, Didymus, Dimitri, Dimitrian, Serapion,
Kronidus, Leonty. MON- Avtonomus, Koronatus, Julian, Theodore,
Vassian, Athansius, Simeon. TUE- Cornelius, Julian, Peter, Elijah,
Zoticus, Lukian, Valerian, Macrovius, Gordian, Kronidus, Leonty,
Serapion, Selevkus, Stratonikcus, Ketevana, Jerotheus. WEDElevation of the Cross: John (Chrysostom) Papus, Makary. THURNikita, Porphirius, Theodotus, Askiadus, Maxim, Filotheus, Vissarion,
Herasim, Joseph, Stephen, Akacius, John. FRI- Evfimia, Sebastiana,
Melitina, Ludmilla, Victor, Sosthenus, Dorotheus, Prokopy, Kyprian, Isaac,
Jospeh. SAT- Vera (Faith), Nadezhda (Nadia, Hope), Lyubovia (Love,
Charity), Sophia, Agathoklia, Theodotia, Pelius, Neal, Patermutheus Elijah.

Parish Council Meeting today following services.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Just a reminder that today is the first day of our Sunday School Sessions. If any students have not filled out a registration form, it is still not too late to do so. Please see Mrs. Temple to obtain a registration form.

Also, remember to bring your children to Sunday School on time. We only have approximately 30 Sundays of classes and it is very important that students attend the classes from beginning to end. It is very disruptive when students come to class late.

Annual Day of Giving Thanks

This year's Annual Day of Giving Thanks dinner will be held on Sunday, November 5, 2023. All information will be available next week and reservations will begin being taken next Sunday.

St. Paphnutius the Confessor

A bishop in the Egyptian Thebaid, he suffered greatly for the Orthodox faith: Heretics put out one of his eyes and broke his left leg. He took part in the First Ecumenical Council, refuting the Arian heresy with great power. The Emperor Constantine valued him greatly, and often kissed him on the missing eye, lost for the truth of Orthodoxy. At the Council, he stood in opposition to the western representatives, who proposed that secular priests be completely forbidden to marry. He was chaste throughout the whole of his life.

Our Holy Father Ephrosynus the Cook

A simple man and a man of God, he served as cook in a certain monastery in the ninth century. The spiritual father of this monastery dreamed one night that he was in Paradise, and there saw Ephrosynus, who chose for him three apples of Paradise. When he awoke, he saw these three lovely and fragrant apples on his pillow. He quickly found Ephrosynus and asked him: "Where were you last night, brother?" "Where you were, Father", the blessed man of God replied. The spiritual father then revealed the whole affair to the monks, and all knew of the holiness and godliness of Ephrosynus. But he, fearing the praise of men, immediately fled from the monastery and hid himself in the desert, where he spent the rest of his life.

-The Prologue from Ochrid