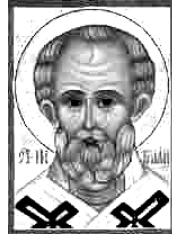


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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Christ is in our midst! He is and always shall be!

Schedule of Services and Activities

No Saturday Great Vespers in the month of July
Sunday, July 18th – 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy

Welcome to those who are visiting with us today! If you would like more information about the Orthodox faith or would like to speak with the priest, please let our ushers know. We invite you to fill out a visitor card and drop it into the offering basket as your offering today. Please join us for coffee hour after the service!

Thank you to John Kowalcheck for directing the choir this morning in the absence of Doris Wasilko who is on vacation. May God grant him and all of our dedicated choir members many years!

Our deepest condolences to parishioners Melissa (Kittner) and Nathan Graff on the falling asleep of Melissa's grandfather, James Humenny. The funeral was this past Wednesday. May God grant James memory eternal and comfort to the family.

We are in need of coffee hour sponsors this Summer! Please see Melissa Graff if you can help!

There will be no Saturday evening Vespers served during the month of July.

Looking ahead: Our parish picnic will be held at Robinson Park on Sunday, August 22nd. We are seeking leaders to help chair various aspects of the picnic. Please see Michelle Bittner if you can help, as soon as possible!

The winner of the July 4 Holiday Special Raffle of \$1,000 was Phyllis Hruch, mother-in-law of Steve Hruch. A big thank you to everyone who supported the raffle!

The Hoagie/Wrap Sale for July will be held on Wednesday, July 21. Prices remain the same: \$5 for an Italian Hoagie or Wrap and \$5.50 for a Turkey Hoagie or Wrap. Orders can be placed by 7 p.m. on Monday, July 19, by emailing mbittner109@verizon.net, calling 412 771-0176 or faxing 412 -771-2111. Thank you.

The Archdiocesan Youth are invited to an all-nighter at the Carnegie Science Center from Friday night, September 3rd to Saturday morning, September 4th. (Ages 10-17 will be provided chaperones. Under 10 must be accompanied by parent or designated guardian.) Includes Omnimax movie, laser show, planetarium, submarine tour, Sports Works, an evening snack and continental breakfast. Reservation deadline is August 16th. Make checks payable to "84th National FOCA Convention." Contact Helene Emerick at 724-941-4293 for more information.

Vigil Light Donations (Please keep the following in your prayers): **From Carol Kowalcheck** in thanksgiving to Jesus Christ for all His blessings. **From Charles A Wasilko** for the departed servant, John Kowalcheck Sr, for the health of sisters, Doris and Marsha, for a safe journey. **From Marsha Wasilko** for the newly departed servant John Kowalcheck, for the health of the Wasilko family, Carol Kowalcheck, Marie Maronyak (93), and for safe travel. **From John Kowalcheck** for the departed servant, father, John, for the health of Carol Ann Kowalcheck. **From Helen Cobb** in memory of Ray Cobb, Fr Vladimir, Mat Olga, Darius Walat, George. For the health of Ruth, Vic, Todd, Aleisha, Dick, Jared, Helen March Shancey, Stephanie Kowal, the Tichy, Fuller, Kasnot, Speth, Wasilko, Mell, Barsom and Soroka families. **From Doris M Wasilko** for the departed servants, parents, Charles and Mary, and John Kowalcheck; for the health of the Wasilko family, and Carol Kowalcheck. **From Alexandria Tirpak** for the departed servants parents, grandparents Amelia and John, Marie and Nicholas, Anne and Frank, brother, nephew Nicholas, Nicholas, Michael; for the health of children; Amelia, Andrea, Richard and their families, John, Theodore, Mildred, Violet, JoAnne, Carol, Leslie and Jim, Community of St Nicholas Parish, men and women serving our country, God bless America; and for special intentions.

This bulletin is offered by Alex and Olga Noskov in memory of mother, Zoe, and brother, Alexiy.

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Tone 6 **Troparion of the Resurrection**

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb;
the guards became as dead men.
Mary stood by Thy grave,
seeking Thy most pure Body.
Thou didst capture hell,
not being tempted by it.
Thou didst come to the Virgin granting life.
O Lord who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee!

Tone 6 **Kontakion of the Resurrection**

When Christ God the Giver of Life
raised all the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand,
He bestowed resurrection on the human race.
He is the Savior of All, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

Tone 6 **Kontakion of the Theotokos**

Steadfast protectress of Christians,
constant advocate before the creator,
do not despise the cry of us sinners,
but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith.
Hasten to hear our intercessions and to intercede for us, O Theotokos
For you always protect those who honor you.

Tone 6 **Prokeimenon (Psalm 27:9)**

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

Epistle (Romans 15:1-7)

We then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me." For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.

Gospel (Matthew 9:27-35)

When Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, "Son of David, have mercy on us!" And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord."

Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith let it be to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, "See that no one knows it." But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country.

As they went out, behold, they brought to Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, "It was never seen like this in Israel!" But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons."

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest!

*While Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians
who prepare themselves by prayer and fasting,
non-Orthodox visitors are welcome to come forward to venerate the cross
and receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) at the conclusion of the service.*

Please join us downstairs for coffee hour following the Divine Liturgy.