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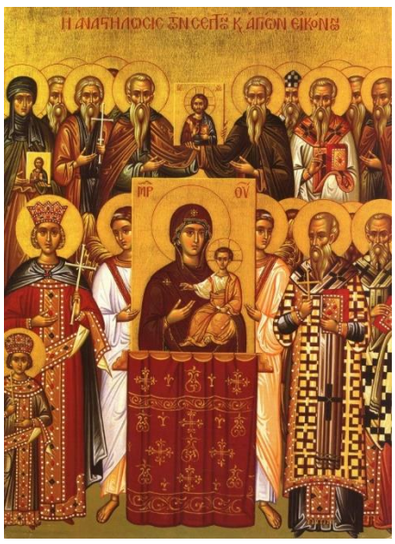
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Sunday, March 21st, 2021

First Sunday of the Great Fast
Sunday of Orthodoxy



Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great – 9:00 am
Sunday School - 10:20 am

Panachida for +***John Chupka Sr., Nicholas Don Chupka, and Joseph M. Quinn*** offered by Katherine Oravec; +***Joyce Kerr (40th Day***), +***Mary Fedorchak***; +***Elsie Gomilar and +Cindy Dzvonik;*** +***Deacon James Janiec*** offered by friends Gary, Dave and Steve; +***Barry A. Himes, Jacquelin Huff-McCann, Sotera and Helen Rocha, Joseph Rocha, David, E. Miller, Jeffrey H. Wilkinson and departed members of the Machik Family;*** and +***John and Marion Sprintz*** offered by Darby and Emily Sprintz

Resurrection Tone 8
Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-30; 12:1-2
Gospel: John 1:43-51
Tropar & Kondak: pages 102 & 179-180

Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers – Saints Peter and Paul in Windber, Pa. 4:00 pm

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Services for the week of March 21st

Tue. 3/23 … +Edward and Mary Tavalsky offered by their children– Parastas……8:00 am

Wed. 3/24 … +Mary and Stephen Karnosky (Perpetual) – Parastas……8:00 am

Paraklis……7:00 pm

Thur. 3/25 … +George and Mary Pakh Magdinec offered by John and Mary Gido (Perpetual) – Parastas……..8:00 am

Fri. 3/26 … +George Paczoct and Joseph & Mary offered by Mary Kindya – Parastas....8:00 am

Pre-sanctified Liturgy….7:00 pm

Sat. 3/27 … 2nd *All-Souls Saturday*

+ Mary, Michael and Mary Hritz; +Boyd Conrad; (Perpetual)……**9:00 am**

Great Vespers……..…….6:00 pm

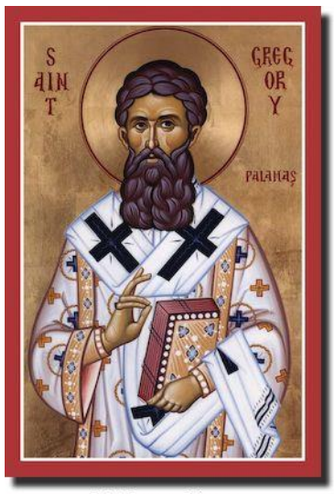
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Sunday, March 28th, 2021

Second Sunday of the Great Fast – Saint Gregory Palamas

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great – 9:00 am

Sunday School - 10:20 am



Saint Gregory Palamas

Panachida for ***+Margaret Herko*** offered by the family;
+Jeanie Yazvak;
+ Mary, Michael and Mary Hritz; +Boyd Conrad; (Perpetual)
and
+John Kesselak Jr. offered by daughter, Sonya Prebola & son-in-law, Brian Prebola

Resurrection Tone 1
Tropar & Kondak: pages 81 & 181-182

Epistle: Hebrews 1:10-2:3

Gospel: Mark 2:1-12

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Services for the week of March 28th

Wed. 3/31 … ***Paraklis……..……..…….……..……7:00 pm***

Thu. 4/01 …+Pani Brenda Conrad (Perpetual) – Parastas……8:00 am

Fri. 4/02 … +Anna Gladish offered by Mr. and Mrs. Richard McCoy (Perpetual) – Parastas……..8:00 am

Presanctified Liturgy……7:00 pm

Sat. 4/03 … **3rd *All-Souls Saturday***

+Pani Anna Yurcisin and
+Andrew and Anna (Homyak) Popovich (Perpetual)….. **9:00 am**

Great Vespers……..…….……..6:00 pm

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Sunday, April 4th, 2021

Third Sunday of the Great Fast - Sunday of the Holy Cross

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great - 9:00 am

Sunday School – 10:20 am

Panachida for ***+Helen Herman*** offered by John & Helen Herman; ***+Pauline McCormick;***
+Reggie Lengyel; ***+Andrew Krett*** offered by Edward & Rita Hanechak;
+John Kesselak Jr. offered by Joseph and Eleanor Kravacs
Resurrection Tone 2 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 84 & 185-186
Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

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BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, March 23rd, 2021 @6:30 pm

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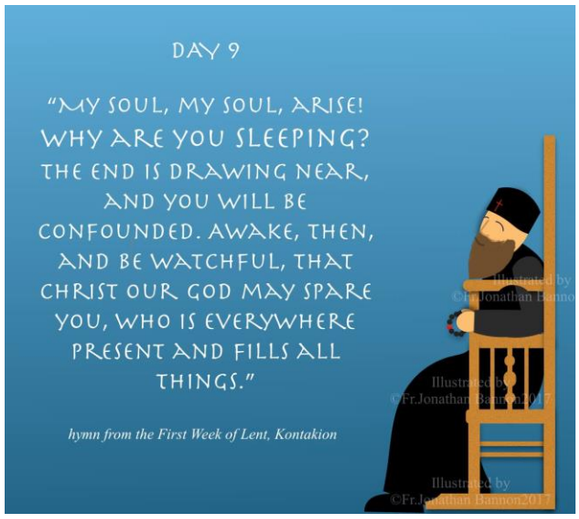
BIRTHDAY PRAYERS – are offered for ***Joshua Machik (3/21), Nick Bocher (3/21), Cheri Miloro (4/23), Janet Seitz (4/23), Mara Bennett (3/25), Neil Vatavuk (3/25), and Beth Ann Sharp (3/26).*** You were remembered in Prokomedia!

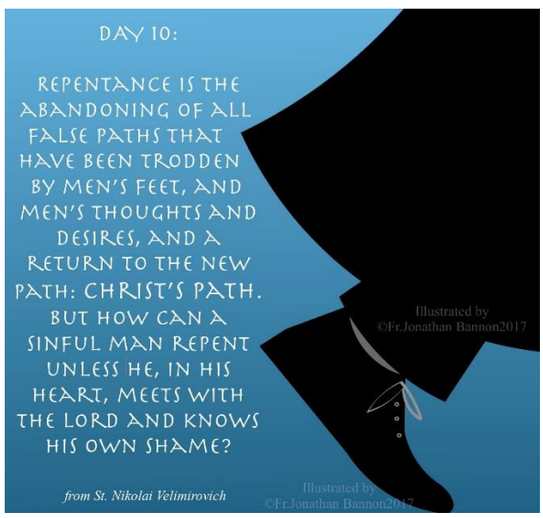
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LENTEN RETREAT

Diocese is sponsoring an on-line virtual Lenten Retreat via zoom this year. Please register on line through the diocesan website. If you do not have a computer or are interested in watching it together as a group, we have a sign-up sheet on the multi-media table in the Church auditorium.

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FOR CONSIDERATION

The story of Abraham's sacrifice of Isaac is told with exquisite tenderness. When God gives this devastating order, He precedes it by "Take your son, your only son, Isaac, whom you love." The eloquent third-century writer Origen points out that God's stress on Abraham's tender love for his son makes the request for sacrifice all the more devastating. It takes three days to reach the place of sacrifice – three more days and nights for the father to prepare food and drink for his son, to enjoy the child's playful company, to sleep with the little one in his arms. As they climb to the fateful spot the child asks, "Daddy, where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

Do you remember Abraham's reply? "God will provide himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son."

Hebrews 11:19 tells us that Abraham was able to do all this because he knew God had promised that Isaac would continue his line. He knew that, somehow, Isaac would live. Even if he was killed, God would be able to raise him back to life. So, as he departed with the child to climb the mountain, he told his servants to wait where they were because "I and the lad will….come again to you" (Genesis 22:5).

Origen points out that Jesus said we should "do what Abraham did" (John 8:39). Think through what it would be like to sacrifice to God whatever is most precious to you, in the firm expectation that God can restore it.

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QUOTES FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

Repentance is the renewal of life. This means we must free ourselves of all our negative traits and turn toward absolute good. No sin is unforgivable except for the sin of un-repentance……There are also tears of repentance, when a person's conscience tells him that he has committed many sins. When he realizes his sinfulness, he weeps. There is an act of God's Grace – a soul repents, and the sin is washed away by tears…When a person realizes his sinfulness, he gradually frees himself from the cares of this world and from his own egoism and when this occurs, it is in a state of Grace.

Elder Thaddeus of Vitovnica

Everyone is made in God's image; but to be in His likeness is granted only to those who through great love have brought their own freedom into subjection to God. For only when we do not belong to ourselves do we become like Him who through love has reconciled us to Himself. No one achieves this unless he persuades his soul not to be distracted by the false glitter of this life.

St. Diadochos of Photiki

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PRAYER CHAIN

Thomas Buczak
Cindy LaBarr
Annie Mishurda
Steve Martyak
Joan Wine
Jessica McLaughlin
Michael Sakmar
Joseph Muchesko
Roberta Kovalik
Theresa Milkovich
Kira Pronin
Alexxa Lowery
Romayne Laichak
Debbie Dawson
Zachary Rogina
Robert J. Gritzer
Ron Kuzmyak
Paul Kalcik
Henry Laichak

Beverly Tinkle
Ronald Kmet
Michael Derby
Sue Miller
Maureen & Jay Dabbs
Judith Pringle
Robert Pringle
Barbara Virostek
Robert Janeway
Helen Duray
Andy Walls
Jack Dahl
Janet Hanak
Eva Zeleniak-Whitak
Malcolm Barnes
Ann Koehnlein
Larry Eisenhauer
Evelyn Houston
Dave Podolak

Judith Rowlands
Angeline Komara
Arianna Risso
Charlie Erisman
Rachael Costlow
Marshall Rosenow
Shirley Mazurak
Donna Babble
Richard Barnes
Michael Logan
Lloyd Broadwater
Nick Timko
Erin Demich
Mary Ann Muchesko
Joella Hamlin
Donna Martyak
Veronica Ronchak
Mary Jane Matolyak
Michaela Miller

Arianna Jade Miller
Taylor Miller
Jennifer Gardenhour
Margaret Blehi
Bill Pringle
Valentina Yaremenko
Olga Yaremetko
Steve Prieber
Aberdeen Rudge
Mark Kuruzovich
Pat Hanuska
Dwight Nugle
Rose and Terry Fyock
Rosalia Horner
Beverly Mayo
Al Kuzmyak
Michael Paul Gost
Brooklyn Balamuto
Victoria Bennett

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Rectory Office Hours – Father is available any time by appointment.
Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please phone the rectory when a family member is admitted to the hospital.
Marriages are solemnized on Saturdays or Sundays. Consult the pastor at least six months in advance and before plans have been made for the wedding reception. Marriages cannot be celebrated during the fasting seasons of the church, or on Fridays.
Baptisms are normally scheduled on Saturdays or Sundays. Consult the pastor. Two God-parents are required, at least one of whom must be Orthodox by faith and the other a practicing Christian.
Church Funerals are provided for practicing Orthodox Christians who are current in their spiritual and financial obligations to the parish; otherwise burial is from the funeral home.
The Church does not permit cremation.
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