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Vol. 81 No. 1919 **Sunday, October 13th, 2024**

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Hiero-martyr Gregory of Armenia

Divine Liturgy/ Choir Sunday: 9:00 am **Sunday School: 10:20 am -11:15 am**

Tropar & Kondak: Resurrection Tone 7 pages 99-101

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 Gospel: Luke 6:31-36

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Monday, October 14th, 2024

The Feast of the Protection of the Birth-giver of God

Divine Liturgy - 9:00 am
St. Romanos the Melodist
Patronal Feast of Diocesan Cantors and Choir Directors
Tropar & Kondak: Pages 113-114

Epistle: Hebrews 9:1-7

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

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Bible Study Tuesday, October 22nd @ 6:30 pm
Joins us either here in our Cathedral Auditorium or via "Zoom"

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Choir Practice Thursday, October 24th @6:30 pm

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Services for the week of October 13th

Wed. 10/16 … +Arthur Sedoroff offered by Mary Sedoroff; and the +Departed members of the Osefchak family (Ignatz, Theresa, William, Julia, John, Michael, Marian), and the Bobin family (John, Ann, John, Anna, James, Phillip, Alfred, Zan, and Mary)……8:00 am

Sat. 10/19 … No Vespers Scheduled

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Sunday, October 20th, 2024

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Holy Martyrs Sergius and Bachus

Divine Liturgy: 9:00 am Sunday School: 10:20 am -11:15 am

Panachida for +***Michael Timo*** offered by Michael and Diana Pirich; +***Margaret Herko*** offered by the Family; ***+Anna Servachko; +Margaret Gregory*** offered by Archpriest Dr. Alexander and Pani Kerry Ganzi; ***+John Koslin*** (28th Anniversary) offered by the Baranik family; and ***+Mary Sprintz*** offered by daughter, Helen Dutko and family

Tropar & Kondak: Resurrection Tone 8 pages 102-104

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:16- 7:1 Gospel: Luke 7:11-16

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Services for the week of October 20th

Thur. 10/24 … +Rade and Mary Raslevich, Samuel, John, Nicholas, George, John, Paul, Helen, Olga Ann, and Steve offered by Stephen and Maryann Raslevich……..…8:00 am

Sat. 10/28 … Great Vespers…….6:00 pm

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Sunday, October 27th, 2024

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

The Martyrs Nazarius, Gervasius, Protasius, and Celsius of Milan

Divine Liturgy/ Choir Sunday – 9:00 am Sunday School – 10:20 am

Panachida for ***Departed members of the Matolyak family: +Michael Matolyak Sr. and Mary Jane; +Michael Matolyak Jr., +Frank and Mary Bacha, and +Anthony and Anna Matolyak*** offered by the Michael Matolyak Jr. Family; ***+Paul, Anna, Vasil, Paul, Anna, George, Suzanne, and Anna Csubar***; and +***Mary Muchichko***; ***+Elias Kozar*** offered by Anna Kozar; ***+Rev, Father Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich*** offered by Father Deacon Michael and Diana Pirich; ***+Helen Yurosko and Michael and Barbara Romanko*** offered by the family; and ***+John Dzura Sr***., and ***+Charles and Elsie Arendas*** offered by Pani Kathy Buczak

Resurrection Tone 1 - Tropar & Kondak: Pages 81 & 114

Epistles: Hebrews 13:7-16 Gospels: John 17:1-13

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Fri. 11/01 … +George, Anna, Andrew Sr., and +Andrew Jr. offered by Anna Stelmak....8:00 am

Sat. 11/02 … Vespers…….6:00 pm

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CONGRATULATIONS- To ***Janice Marie Yursky*** who was Chrismated into the Orthodox Faith, Sunday, October 13, 2024. Welcome to our congregation, and May God grant you many years!

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BIRTHDAY PRAYERS – ***Phillip Penatzer (10/13), Susan Mesko (10/17), Frank Roley (10/18), Jason Buczak (10/19), Jennifer Dzvonik (10/19), Robin Nitkulinec (10/19), and Marlane Zima (10/27).*** You were remembered today in the Proskomedia.

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THE ETERNAL LAMP – is offered the week of October 13th in memory of ***+ Barbara Martyak by Stella Nitkulinec.***

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THE ALTAR CANDLES – are offered on October 13th in memory of ***+Michael Savering by Stella Nitkulinec.***

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THE ETERNAL LAMP – is offered the week of October 20th in memory of ***Margaret Herko by Kris Bunda.***

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ADDITIONAL ALTAR BOY VESTMENT DONORS

Steve Horbal - $160.00 ***Michael and Jennifer Dzvonik -$150.00***

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YOUNG ADULT FALL RETREAT 2024

October 25th - 27th, 2024

The American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese, the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh Y2AM, the Ukrainian Orthodox Church USA and The Orthodox Church in America invite Young Adults to come retreat at Camp Nazareth for a weekend with other Orthodox Young Adults from all jurisdictions. The weekend event will be filled with learning, fun, fellowship and worship. Visit our Diocesan Website to register: www.acrod.org.

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NATIONAL JR. A.C.R.Y. FALL YOUTH ENCOUNTER

Jr. ACRY Announces 2024 Fall Encounter at Camp Nazareth

November 8-10, 2024 | Mercer, PA

The National Junior American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Youth (Jr. ACRY) is excited to announce the upcoming annual Fall Encounter at Camp Nazareth, scheduled for **November 8th to 10th, 2024**. Our children need time together with their brothers and sisters in Christ and this event promises to be an enriching experience for Orthodox youth aged 8 to 18 from across the diocese, offering a unique opportunity for spiritual growth, fellowship, and fun in the beautiful setting of Camp Nazareth in Mercer, PA.This year's Fall Encounter will explore the theme inspired by **Psalm 139:14**: *"I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made."* Through this theme, participants will be encouraged to discover who God created them to be, recognizing their inherent worth in His eyes, and deepening their relationship with Him, themselves, and each other. The weekend will feature a variety of activities designed to strengthen each camper's faith and identity, including:

- **Reflective discussions and spiritual sessions** that explore the Orthodox understanding of Psalm 139:14 through the teachings of the Church Fathers.
- **Engaging, interactive programs** focusing on how God's love empowers us to love ourselves and serve others.
- **Traditional camp activities** such as games, sports, bonfires, and special fall activities fostering lifelong friendships and fun.

This Encounter will remind participants that they are wonderfully created by God and called to a life of faith and purpose in Christ. **Registration is now open** at the official link, with a fee of **$110 per camper**. Financial assistance may be available for families in need; those seeking support can contact Fr. Matthew Dutko at **fatherdutko@gmail.com**. Don't miss out on this chance to come to Camp Nazareth, reconnect with friends and make new ones, grow in faith, and experience all the joys that Camp Nazareth has to offer! Join us from **November 8th to 10th, 2024**, for an unforgettable weekend at the Jr. ACRY Fall Encounter.

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ATTENTION ALL CATHEDRAL ACRY MEMBERS

Our Chapter is now collecting membership dues. Cost is $20 per person. Please remit your payment to Melanie Dudak, Treasurer or Rose Ann DeCoske, President, at any time. Checks are payable to: Cathedral ACRY #20. Thank you!!! If you are interested in joining our Chapter, your dues for your first year of membership are waived and paid by our Chapter. We have had a very successful year thanks to all ACRY members and to the members of the Cathedral. Let us continue our service to the Cathedral, Diocese and parishioners by being Forever Forward and Heavenward.

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2025 LOTS-O-LUCK CALENDARS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

See Christina Sakmar

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COOKIE SALE – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14th

Our A.C.R.Y. is having a cookie sale in the Cathedral Auditorium on Saturday, December 14th, 2024. We are asking for members (and others) to bake 5 dozen Christmas Cookies to sell at this fundraising event. Please bring your home-made cookies to the Cathedral Auditorium Friday, December 15th, 2023. There is a sign-up sheet in the Cathedral Auditorium for types of cookies that are needed. Please see Dee Tvarozna for more details.

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HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF FUND

We are having a special collection to help with the recent destruction brought on by Hurricane Helene. Please use one of your "special collection" envelopes found in your offering packet and write Hurricane Helene Relief Fund on the envelope. If you are contributing by check, please make check payable to Christ the Saviour Cathedral and we will forward your contribution to the IOCC.

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SATURDAY'S KITCHEN OPPORTUNITY

Saturday's Kitchen is in need of adults to serve meals for 2 days at the local soup kitchen (one Saturday and one Sunday). If you are able to help and for additional information, please call Joan Bost at 814-536-3473. Thank you and God Bless.

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DISTINGUISHED DIOCESAN DONORS DRIVE-2024

We are currently accepting donations of $100.00 or more toward this fundraising event for Camp Nazareth and the Diocese. Thank you for your consideration of this Diocesan Fundraiser.

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LIVES OF THE SAINTS

St Hesychios the Chorbite – October 3/16

He was at first careless for his soul's salvation, but he became seriously ill and died, and came back from the dead and was healed. This wrought a profound change in him. He shut himself in a cell on the Holy Mountain and spoke not a single word to anyone for twelve years. Before his death, the monks opened his cell and begged him to give them some instruction. He only said: "He who ponders on death cannot sin." From him descended those known as the "hesychasts", who held silence, pondering upon God and mental prayer to be the chief works of the true monk. They had a skete, known as the Hesychast or Silent, on the Holy Mountain. It is said of Gregory the Theologian that he was a hesychast during the Great Fast. St. Hesychios lived in the sixth century.

O HOLY FATHER HESYCHIOS PRAY TO GOD FOR US!

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QUOTES FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

Faith is the ascent of the soul to a truth. If you want to know what advantage the soul gains from it, listen to what the Lord says: "Whoever hears My word and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life; he does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life" (John 5:24). How truly great is the goodness of God to the human race!.....It is true. If you believe that Jesus Christ is Lord and God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. Jesus on the cross on Calvary welcomed the thief to Paradise. He will welcome you also.

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Let mercy outweigh all else in you. Let our compassion be a mirror where we may see in ourselves that likeness and that true image, which belong to the Divine nature and Divine Essence. A hard and unmerciful heart will never be pure.

St. Isaac the Syrian

Love toward neighbor is bound up with love of God. When love toward neighbor is destroyed, then so, too, is love toward God. Whoever does not love his neighbor does not even love God Himself. Hence it follows that he who would be reconciled to God and have peace with God must first be reconciled with his neighbor and so approach God and pray and ask mercy of Him. Therefore, it is evident that the prayer of those who have offended their neighbor, and yet approach God in prayer without reconciliation, is vain and empty.

St. Tikhon of Zadonsk

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PRAYER CHAIN

Thomas Buczak	Angeline Komara	Beverly Mayo	Ed and Christine Sakmar	Joan Bost
Steve Martyak	Arianna Risso	Al Kuzmyak	Julie Locher	Cheryl Reese
Veronica Buczak	Charlie Erisman	Michael Paul Gost	Denise Stroud	Sheri Smay
Michael Sakmar	Rachael Costlow	Brooklyn Balamuto	Brianna Thompson	Geroge Kuzmiak
Joseph Muchesko	Marshall Rosenow	Matushka Helen Jasiukowicz	Elijah Groff	Jackson Enhro
Roberta Kovalik	Shirley Mazurak	Joanne Democko	Michael Mehalacki	Lisa Luterman
Kira Pronin	Lloyd Broadwater	Robert and Barbara Stokes	Matthew Hanak	Jeanne Norris
Alexxa Lowery	Erin Demich	Marcia Matthews	Carol Labad	Kristo Burkett
Romayne Laichak	Mary Ann Muchesko	Jolene McClain	Carter McAuly	Amanda May
Zachary Rogina	Joella Hamlin	Georgene Coulter	Michael and Alex Yaremenko	Jean Romesburg
Ron Kuzmyak	Michaela Miller	Tanya Britan	Pauline and Margaret Blehi	MaryAnn Savering
Paul Kalcik	Arianna Jade Miller	Frank and Daniel Porembka	Lauri LaBuda	Marilyn Stolzfus
Henry Laichak	Taylor Miller	Dr. Rose Ann Jordan	Dorothy and Kathy Bayconish	Spenser Kreger
Ronald Kmet	Jennifer Gardenhour	Demetra Mavrophilipos	Nicholas and Carole Blitva	Zander Marshall
Barry Gilchrist	Valentina and Olga Yaremenko	Rose Conjelko	Lorie Joseph	Kara Dorsey
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Eva Zeleniak-Whitak	Aberdeen Rudge	Roger Zankey	Clarabella Knight	Lisa Daugherty
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Larry Eisenhauer	Rose and Terry Fyock	John Rosiak	Patti Sweeney	Diana Gvozdich-Smith
Judith Rowlands	Rosalia Horner	Louis Pocchiari	Samantha Salway	

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You have never really lived
until you have done something for someone who cannot possibly pay you back.