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**GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!
GLORY FOREVER!**

SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2017

Saturday, June 3rd

9:00 a.m.: All Souls Memorial Service
6:00 p.m.: Vespers & Litiya for Pentecost

Sunday, June 4th

PENTECOST SUNDAY

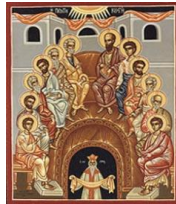
9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy &
Kneeling Prayers- Trinity Sunday-
Pentecost- Tone 7

Readings: Acts 2:1 - 11; John
7:37 - 52, 8:12

Panahida: In memory of John Samilenko offered by
Peter, Debbie & Joe Samilenko

12:00 pm: Grave Blessings at St. John's Cemetery,
Nichols Avenue, Stratford

1:30 pm: Grave Blessings at St. John's Cemetery,
Monroe



FAST-FREE WEEK: June 4th - June 11th

Sunday, June 11th

9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy - All Saints Sunday -1st
Sunday after Pentecost -Tone 8
Readings: Hebrews 11:33 - 12:2; Matthew 10:32 -
33, 37 - 38; 19:27 - 30

Sunday, June 18th

9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy - 2nd Sunday after
Pentecost - Carpatho-Rusyn Saints - Tone 1
Readings: Romans 2:10 - 16; Matthew 4:18 - 23
Panahida: In Memory of all Deceased Fathers

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!

TO ALL THE FATHERS IN OUR COMMUNITY, MAY
GOD GRANT YOU MANY HAPPY, HOLY AND
BLESSED YEARS IN HEALTH AND SALVATION!
MNOHAJA LITA!! MANY YEARS

Sunday, June 25th

9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy - 3rd Sunday after
Pentecost - Tone 2

Readings: Romans 5:1 - 10; Matthew 6:22 - 33

Sunday, July 2nd

9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy - 4th Sunday after
Pentecost - Tone 3

Readings: Romans 6:18 - 23; Matthew 8:5 - 13

FOLLOW OUR DIOCESE ON-LINE

Diocesan Website:

<http://www.acrod.org>

Camp Nazareth:

<http://www.campnazareth.org>

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<https://www.facebook.com/acroddiocese>

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/acrodnews>

You Tube:

<https://youtube.com/acroddiocese>

FROM FATHER MICHAEL

GRAVESIDE MEMORIAL SERVICES

On Sunday, June 4th, Memorial Services will be held at St. John's Cemetery, Nichols Avenue, Stratford at approximately 12:00 pm and St. John's Cemetery in Monroe at approximately 1:30 pm. We will begin with a Panahida for His Eminence, Metropolitan Orestes and Pani Yolanda Chornock at their gravesite in Stratford. The grave sites of family members & friends of those who request a memorial will then be done in an orderly manner. Please call or see Fr. Michael to schedule a Panahida service for a loved one at any other cemetery.



CONTACTING FATHER

You may call me at either of the following numbers: 203-386-8888 or my cell phone at 203-218-1627. Contact me at any time and especially in the event of any emergencies, hospitalizations or problems that may arise.

FACEBOOK/WEBSITE

Follow and “like” us on Facebook to keep up to date. Search “St. John’s Orthodox Church of Silver Lane” on your Facebook search engine to find our site or visit our church website at www.stjohnsilverlane.net where there is a link you can click to our Facebook site. Add these to your favorites and visit us frequently!

NICEAN CREED CHANTER SCHEDULE

The following groups and/or individuals are scheduled to chant the Nicean Creed on the following dates:

6/4 Chris Gombos	6/18 Congregation
6/11 Pete Samilenko	6/25 Chris Gombos

ALTAR SERVERS

All Altar servers are expected to be in the sanctuary at least five minutes before the beginning of any Liturgical service. Please try to arrive on time. The following altar servers are responsible for the altar on the following dates:

6/4 Magnus O	6/25 Magnus O
6/11 David P	7/2 David P
6/18 Stephen O	7/9 Stephen O

YOUR STEWARDSHIP OFFERING

The Year 2017 is already into its’ sixth month! Hopefully, we all have made a commitment to participate in our church stewardship offering for the year and to put aside at least our “dollar-a-day”, or whatever we are able to, in order to help support the work of our church. May our Lord Jesus Christ bless all of you with health and happiness as you continue to participate during these very difficult times! Many Years! Mnohaja Lita!

CANDLE DONATIONS



June 4th

- Eternal Candle offered by Peter, Debbie & Joe Samilenko in memory of Monsignor Stephen Shutack. Memory Eternal!

June 11th

- Altar Taper Candles offered by Carole Krochta in honor & for health of Uncle Mike & Aunt Verna Pistey on the occasion of their Anniversary. Happy Anniversary! Many Years!

June 18th

- Tetrapod Candles offered by Peter, Debbie & Joe Samilenko in honor & for health of Michael & Verna Pistey & Kim & John Pollman on the occasion of their anniversaries. Happy Anniversary! Many Years!
- Altar Taper Candles offered by Sandy Pleban in honor & for health of son Subdeacon Joel Pleban on the occasion of his birthday. Happy Birthday! Many Years!

June 25th

- Eternal Candle offered by Carole Krochta in memory of Dad Stephen & Mom Wilma Dolyak. Memory Eternal!
- Tetrapod Candles offered by Peter, Debbie & Joe Samilenko in honor & for health of Jessica Samilenko & Kyle Pasquino on the occasion of their birthdays. Happy Birthday! Many Years!

PLEASE PRAY FOR

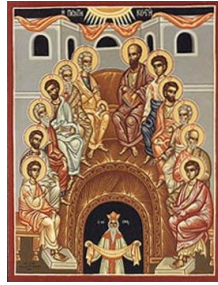
The people listed below who are in need of our special prayers: Michael Andrenyak, Ann Balasa, Pani Betty Jean Baranik, Fr. Larry Barriger, Judy Berard, Fr. Thomas Blaschak, Lena Bobko, Lenny Booth, Andrea Bower, Dean Bradford (Mer. Marine), Penny Briganti, Andre Briganti, Melissa Brock, Rosemary Brown, Kimberly Calhoun, Shirley Canaan, Jean & Joseph Candela, Michael Capuano, Joyce Cayer, Protopresbyter David Cochran, Burton Cornell, MaryAnn Damato, Ray Davidson, Jeff Delvecchio, Laura DeMayo, Karen Dobosz, Joan Dumas, Fr. John & Pani Patricia Duranko, Noreen Ehnot, Marie Eichler, Fr. John & Pani Anna Jane Fencik, Carol & Bob Ferik, Bill Forth, Fr. John Gido, Chris, Eileen, Sarah, Nicholas & Annie Gombos, Ryan Gombos, Ken & Marie Hegyi, Tom Hetherington, Bruce Hultgren, Gus Jarosko, Maya Joyner, Pani Katherine Jula, Jessica Keane, Peter Kepchar, Bettie Kerpchar, Barbara Kolaric, Sarah Kotos, Protopresbyter Elias & Pani Anne Kozar, Michele Krochta, Subdeacon Joseph Laput, Marcia Laput, Gregory Laput, Thomas Laput, Mark Lawruszko, Irene Lombard, Elsi Lotufo, John Lovell, Fr. Robert Lucas, Arthur Macura, Fr. Daniel Mahler, Irene Maty, Don Maxton, Peter McGinnis, Frank Meyernick, Lillian Mierzejewski, Protopresbyter Luke Mihaly, Megan Morrissey, Fr. Ted Mozes, Philip Murphy, Merle Palmer, John Papa, Raymond Peterson, Verna & Michael Pistey, Roseann & John Plavnicky, Adriana Pleban, Sandy Pleban, Betty Pollman, Pani Eleanor Pribish, Fr. Michael Psenechnuk, Judy Restieri, Linda Rosinsky, Pani Helen Shutack, Cheryl Schultz, Josephine Sinatro, Pani Anna Slovesko, Pani Donna Smoley, Barbara Susi, Susanne Talley, Sarah Tartaglio, Pani Peggy Teklinsky, Daniel & Sebastian Tomy, Gary Wolff, Karen Ann Yuschak, Fr. John Zboyovski, Michael, Paula, Daniel, Holly,

Tiffany, Lynn, Susan, Betty, Ann, Carol, Greg,
Jackie, Savannah, Rekha & Our US Military
Personnel

The Feast of Pentecost

Protopresbyter Alexander Schmemmann

"The feast of the descent of the Holy Spirit." I say these words I've known since childhood, and all at once they strike me as if I'm hearing them for the first time. Yes, from the time I was a child I knew that ten days following the Ascension, meaning fifty days after Pascha, Christians from time immemorial celebrated and continue to celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit in a feast known by its church name as Pentecost, or more popularly as "Trinity," the day of the Trinity.



For centuries, to prepare for this feast the churches were cleaned and adorned with greenery and branches, and grass was strewn about the floor... On the day of the feast, at the solemn vespers, the faithful stood in church holding flowers in their hands. These customs explain how the feast of Pentecost entered Russian popular consciousness and literature as a kind of sun-filled, bright celebration, the feast of flowering, a kind of joyful encounter between human beings and God's world in all its beauty and grace.

All religions, including the most ancient and primitive, had a feast of summer flowering, a feast to celebrate the first appearance of shoots, plants, fruit. In ancient Judaism, this was the feast of Pentecost. If in Old Testament religion Passover celebrated spring's resurrection of the world and nature, then the Jewish Pentecost was the feast of movement from spring to summer, celebrating the victory of sun and light, the feast of cosmic fullness. But in the Old Testament a feast common to all human societies acquires a new meaning: it becomes the annual commemoration of the ascent of Moses up Mount Sinai, where in an inexpressible mystical encounter God revealed himself, entered into a Covenant, gave commandments, and promised salvation. In other terms, religion ceased being simply nature, and now became the beginning of history: God had revealed his law, his commandments, his plan for humanity, and had shown the way. Spring, summer, the eternal natural cycle, became a sign and symbol not only of nature, but of man's spiritual destiny and the commandment to grow into fullness of knowledge, life and perfect wholeness... Finally, in the very last phase of the Old Testament, through the teaching and insight of the prophets, this feast became a celebration directed toward the future, to God's final victory in his creation. Here is how the prophet Joel speaks of this:

And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even upon the men-servants and maidservants in those days, I will pour out my spirit. And I will give signs in the heavens and on the earth...before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. And it shall come to pass that all who call upon the name of the Lord shall be delivered... (Joel 2:28-32) Thus, the Jewish feast of Pentecost is a feast of nature and the cosmos, a feast of history as the revelation of God's will for the world and human beings, a feast of future triumph, of God's victory over evil and the coming of the great and last "day of the Lord." All this must be kept in mind in order to grasp how the first Christians experienced, understood, and celebrated their feast of Pentecost, and why it became one of the most important Christian celebrations.

The Book of Acts, devoted to recounting the history of the first Christians and the initial spread of Christianity, starts precisely with the day of Pentecost, describing what took place fifty days after Christ's resurrection and ten days after his ascension into heaven. Just before his ascension Christ had told the disciples "not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which he said, 'you heard from me...' (Acts 1:4). So in ten days, according to St Luke's account,

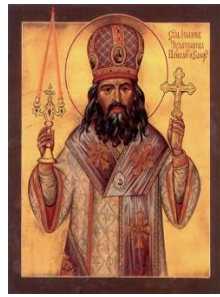
When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance... And all who heard were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." (Acts 2:1-4, 12.13)

To those witnesses who remained skeptical, the apostle Peter explained the meaning of the event using the words of the prophet Joel quoted above. "This is what was spoken by the prophet Joel," he said, "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh..." (Acts 2:16,17).

For the Christian, therefore, the feast of Pentecost is the completion of all that Christ accomplished. Christ taught about the Kingdom of God, and here it is, now opened! Christ promised that the Spirit of God would reveal the truth, and now this is fulfilled. The world, history, life, time, are all illumined with the final, transcendent light—all are filled with ultimate meaning. The last and great day of the Lord has begun!

St. John Maximovitch: On the Holy Pentecost

The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit share one nature, one essence, one substance. That is why the Three Faces are the Trinity, one-in-substance. Humans also have one nature, one substance.



But while God is the Indivisible Trinity, divisions occur in mankind constantly... The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit have common thought, common will, common actions. What the Father desires, the Son also desires, and the Holy Spirit also desires. Whatever the Son loves, so do the Father and the Holy Spirit also love. Whatever is pleasing to the Holy Spirit, is pleasing to the Father and Son. Their actions are also common among them, all act in conjunction and in accord.

This is not so with man. We are in constant disagreement, we have differing desires. Even a small child expresses his own wishes, willfulness, disobedience to his loving parents. As he grows older, he separates from their more, and so often in our day becomes completely alienated from them. People simply don't share identical opinions, on the contrary, there are perpetual divisions in all things, quarrels and conflicts between individuals, wars between nations.

Adam and Eve, before their Fall, were in full accord and of common spirit with one another at all times. Having sinned, alienation was immediately sensed. Justifying himself before God, Adam blamed Eve. Their sin divided them and continues to divide all of mankind. Emancipated from sin, we approach God, and, filled with His grace, we sense our unity with the rest of mankind. Such unity is very imperfect and lacking, since in each person some portion of sin remains. The closer we approach God, the closer we approach each other, just as the closer rays of light are to each other, the closer they are to the Sun. In the coming Kingdom of God there will be unity, mutual love and concord. The Holy Trinity remains eternally unchanging, all-perfect, united in essence and indivisible.

The One, Indivisible Trinity ever remains the Trinity. The Father always remains the Father, the Son remains the Son, the Holy Spirit remains the Holy Spirit. Besides Their personal Properties, They all share all in common and in unity. That is why the Holy Trinity is One God.

(+ St. John Maximovich of Shanghai and San Francisco)

CONDOLENCES

Our sympathies are extended to the family members of long time parishioner, Irene Babey, who passed away peacefully at the young age of 92 on May 22nd. Irene loved helping out at our church when she could and could be found making piroghi or sewing altar boy dalmatics and vestments for Msgr. Stephen. She always had a smile on her face. May she be granted eternal rest in a place where there is no pain or suffering but life everlasting. Memory Eternal!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1st: Mercury P
4th: Sarah G
6th: Stephen O

7th: Ann B
19th: Subdeacon Joel P

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

22nd: John & Kim P
24th: Mark & Michelle T

DON'T FORGET

- **If you or a family member goes into the hospital**, please have someone contact Father Michael immediately. Hospitals no longer give out patient information when priests call to ask if a parishioner is a patient.
- **If you would like to request a panahida service** on a Sunday, please add it to the panahida listing on the back table in church.
- **Please refrain from texting and phone calls during church.** There's a time and place for that ... and it's not during church services. If you must take a call, we ask that you step downstairs so as not to disturb everyone else.
- **If you would like to have Altar Candles, Eternal Light, or side Iconostas Candles lit in honor of or in memory of family or friends**, please register on our signup sheet in the back of the church. A donation of \$5.00 is appreciated.
- **You can help beautify our church by donating live flowers for the tetrapod for the health of or in memory of family or friends.** Simply sign up on our weekly listing in the back of the church. You can either: purchase the flowers and bring them on Saturday evening or Sunday morning (by 8:00 a.m.) to put into the vases – or – you can give a donation in advance for flowers to be purchased and placed on the altar. You can take the flowers home after services if you would like.
- **Annual Dues** has been raised to \$170.00 per adult to adjust for the diocesan increase.

➤ **If you are at St. John's Cemetery in Stratford**, take a moment to visit Metropolitan Orestes and Pani Yolanda's gravesite near the chapel to say a prayer and water the flowers.

OFFICERS MEETING

The monthly meeting of our church officers will take place on Monday, June 19th at 7:00 pm in the church hall. All officers are asked to attend.

WEDNESDAY BINGO

Come down to our weekly Wednesday Night BINGO in the Church Hall. BINGO begins at 6:45 p.m. with a "Winner Take All" game at 6:30 p.m. for early arrivals! We have free coffee and soda available during BINGO along with snacks. Hot dogs are for sale from 5:00 pm to the start of BINGO.



HELPING OUR FRIENDS ON JOHN STREET

We are looking for some help to provide assistance to our friends who live on the streets of Bridgeport by providing a nourishing lunch (grinders, bottled water, snack bags, fruit) and some personal items (socks, t-shirts, toothbrushes, toothpaste, combs, etc.). Could you reach into your heart and help by donating the personal items or snack bags, fruit, bottled water, etc. or make a monetary donation so someone could shop for these items? Could you be one of 13 volunteers to go down to John Street on June 11th after church to distribute these items? See Debbie S by May 31st to sign up!

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

A special meeting was held on May 7th with the blessing of His Grace, Bishop Gregory, to vote on the parish change to the Revised Julian Calendar. The vote was overwhelmingly in favor of making the change. Bishop Gregory and the Diocesan Chancery have been informed by Fr. Michael of the results and we now are waiting for his blessing and guidance on when to implement the change of calendar in the life of our parish. You will be notified when we know more. Thank you all for your patience and continued support.

SUMMERTIME FOOD AND TAG SALE

Our annual Summertime Food and Tag Sale will be held on the church grounds on Saturday, June 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We need your help to make this successful ... please consider:

- Helping cook and sell our delicious stuffed cabbage, halushki and roast beef sandwiches



- Making baked goods to sell
- Help selling religious items
- Have a table of personal items to sell during the day
- Assisting in advertising the event and passing the word around to neighbors and friends to attend

This can be a success with your help. As we enter the summer months, church income sees a decline and this event really helps us pay some of our summer bills.

Volunteer to work in a time slot – we have morning (set up, cooking, packaging and selling) & afternoon slots (selling and cleaning) – please join us in whichever works out better for you! See Carole Krochta if you want to help out in one or more of the above areas – or if you think of something else that can help us!

GRADUATES SUNDAY

Help us celebrate the graduates in our parish on Sunday, June 18th. We will include special prayers for their continued success and take group photos as well as include them as special guests at our Father's Day Brunch! Our July bulletin will include more information on them.



FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH and CHINESE AUCTION

Join us on Father's Day for Divine Liturgy followed by a brunch for all the men in our church (prepared and served by the women of our church! In addition to the brunch, we will have a Chinese Auction. If you would like to donate any new items for the Chinese Auction please bring them down to church before by June 12th so we can have the table set up prior to church services that Sunday.



WELCOME SUMMERTIME DINNER AND BINGO

Are you ready for summer? Join us for a ham dinner celebrating the start of the summer months on Sunday, June 25th at 4:00 pm in our air-conditioned church hall! After dinner, you might want to stay and play some bingo with us as well. Contact Carole for reservations to eat in or take out and to volunteer to help serve/cleanup.

ALL STAR BREAK DINNER AND BINGO

Come on out for our All Star Break Dinner at 4:00 pm on Sunday, July 16th in our air-conditioned church hall. Join us for a meal sure to fill everyone! Cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children under 12. We will also have Bingo games starting at 5:30 pm if you would like to stay and participate in those as well. Admission is



\$1.00 for Bingo. Take out meals are available for \$11.00 and can be picked up after 5:30 pm. Contact Carole K if you would like to make a reservation to eat in or take out before the 10th so we can make sure we have enough food to feed everyone. Volunteers are needed to prepare, serve and clean up at the meal.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Keep in touch with the following people by sending a card or note, calling or visiting them. Let them know they are being prayed for and that they are missed and thought of often!


- Mike Andrenyak, 425 California Street, Stratford, CT 06614
- Pani Helen Shutack, 229 Walnut Street, Apt 1, Roversford, PA 19468

DEANERY CAMP BUS

Reservations for seats on the New England Deanery camp bus are being taken now. If you haven't already registered, please contact Judy Falcon at falconjl813@aol.com as soon as you can. Seats are limited!

ALTAR BOYS AND YOUNG WOMENS RETREATS

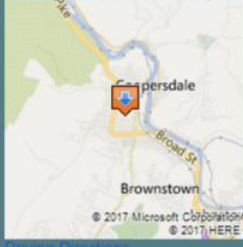
Our diocese is hosting 2 retreats for the altar boys and young women in all of our diocesan parishes starting the last Sunday in June. See attached flyers for more details and how to register. We encourage all of our youth to participate in these retreats!



ALTAR BOY RETREAT 2017

When
 Sunday, June 25, 2017 at 6:00 PM EDT
 -to-
 Wednesday, June 28, 2017 at 11:00 AM EDT
[Add to Calendar](#)

Where
 Christ the Savior Seminary
 225 Chandler Avenue
 Johnstown, PA 15906



Register Now!

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

Registration is now open for this year's Altar Boy Retreat. The dates are June 25-28.

As always, this promises to be a very enjoyable and spiritually uplifting time for the Altar Servers of our Diocese.

Please use the link below to get more information and to register for the event.

Thank you for your continued support of the Altar Boy Retreat and we hope to see your Altar Server there!

Sincerely,
 Fr. David Cochran
 American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese of North America
davidcochran@gmail.com
 717-338-1033

CAMP NAZARETH

Summer camp is just around the corner! Don't miss out on spending a week in that beautiful place in among the mountains in Mercer, PA!

CAMP NAZARETH SUMMER CAMP 2017

The time for Summer Camp is Rapidly Approaching!!! The clock is ticking!!

REGISTER ONLINE STARTING MAR. 1, 2017!!!

Dates for the Summer Camping Program

Week 1 -- July 16 - 22, 2017

Johnstown, Pocono, Southern Tier, Youngstown and Chicago Deaneries

Week 2 -- July 23 - July 29, 2017

Pittsburgh, Mid-Atlantic, Tri-State and Washington D.C. Deaneries

Week 3 -- July 30 - August 5, 2017

New England, NY, NJ, Florida and Canada Deaneries

Register Online Starting March 1, 2017

Register at – campnazareth.org

From the Home Page, From the 2017 Summer Camp Icon, or From the Diocesan Summer Camp Tab found under the Summer Camp Tab and look for Camper Registration.

If you are Clergy or a Volunteer go to the 2017 Summer Camp Icon on the Home Page or the Diocesan Summer Camp Tab found under the Summer Camp Tab and look for the paper forms under Clergy/Volunteers.

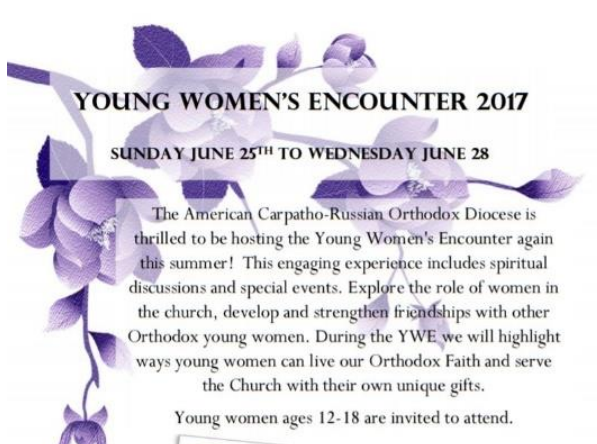
\$20 Early Bird Discount Per Child!!!!

(one-time only, not per week)

Register & pay by May 15, 2017!!!!

Online Registration MUST be complete AND payment must be submitted by May 15 in order to qualify for the Early Bird Discount. Registrations after June 14 will incur an additional \$20 late fee.

- ❑ When you register online please note that you will still need to submit a paper copy of the Medical Examination Form (i.e. Camper Physical) which must be filled out and signed by a licensed medical professional (licensed physician or physician's assistant). This form will be emailed to you after you complete the online registration process.
- ❑ Payment by check, money order, or credit card is accepted. Checks and Money Orders are to be made payable to Camp Nazareth and sent to Camp Nazareth at 339 Pew Road, Mercer, PA 16137.




YOUNG WOMEN'S ENCOUNTER 2017

SUNDAY JUNE 25TH TO WEDNESDAY JUNE 28

The American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese is thrilled to be hosting the Young Women's Encounter again this summer! This engaging experience includes spiritual discussions and special events. Explore the role of women in the church, develop and strengthen friendships with other Orthodox young women. During the YWE we will highlight ways young women can live our Orthodox Faith and serve the Church with their own unique gifts.

Young women ages 12-18 are invited to attend.



Saints Peter & Paul Orthodox Church, Windber, PA
 141 Hoffman Farm Road
 Windber, PA 15963

Space is limited!
 Check acrod.org for Registration
 Questions? Contact
 Pani Eleni Stagon
acrodywe@gmail.com
 304.296.4319

CHURCH SHOPPING WISH LIST

Donations of the following new items would be greatly appreciated for church:

- Paper Towels
- 2 liter Bottled Soda & Bottled Water
- Regular & Decaf Coffee
- Large Bags of Pretzels, Chips, & Cookies
- White Luncheon Napkins

Thank you to everyone who donated items this past month!

THANK YOU TO

- ❖ Our donors in memory of the newly departed John Sabol: Fitzgerald Family, National ACRY, Joel & David Pleban
- ❖ Those who donated paper icons for us to send to fellow Orthodox Christians in Kenya, Africa!
- ❖ Those who attended the Panahida service that we held at The Wall That Heals in Seaside Park!
- ❖ Carole Krochta who donated the flowers in the front urns in memory of her husband Walter Krochta.
- ❖ All who attended and worked at our Red, White & Blue Dinner and Bingo!
- ❖ **Our Stewards, God's Gardeners, grounds and church cleaners!**

THIS MONTHS SCHEDULE OF COLLECTIONS & VOLUNTEERS

Envelope (Curators):

06/04: Maintenance/Repairs & Weekly Offering (Melanie & Mercury)

06/11: Dues & Weekly Offering (Kim & Wendy)

06/18: Air Conditioning & Weekly Offering (Sharon & Melanie)

06/25: Weekly Offering (Mercury & Kim)

07/02: Maintenance/Repairs & Weekly Offering (Wendy & Sharon)

Note: There is only one collection basket after the sermon. All envelopes for the day can go in that basket.

Bingo Workers:

06/07: Carole, Mary, Debbie

06/14: Carole, Sharon

06/21: Carole, Mary, Debbie

06/28: Carole, Sharon

07/05: Carole, Mary, Debbie

Fellowship Hour Hosts:

06/04: Debbie S

06/11: Wendy G

07/02: Teecia S

07/09: Michelle T

07/16: Carole K

07/23: Sharon L

07/30: Kim P

08/06: Elle H

08/13: Melanie O

GODS GARDENER PROJECTS

Please support these projects that parishioners sponsor for the benefit of our parish operating fund:

Breakfast at St. John's (October – June)

Join us for breakfast on the 4th Sunday this month starting at 10:30 a.m. (\$5 adult/\$3 child) for pancakes, breakfast meat, fruit & beverage

Recycle Used Cell Phones & Printer Cartridges:

Drop off unwanted cell phones & ink jet cartridges in the labeled boxes in our church hall instead of having it pollute our landfills. The Gombos Family will recycle them for us!

Recycle Your Cans:

Bring your recyclable deposit cans, soda & water bottles to church or contact Subdeacon Joel Pleban to pick up your clean recyclable cans/bottles. He'll redeem them for the church. What a great way to help keep the earth a little cleaner!

Pampered Chef:

Stock up on favorite must have kitchen items & seasonings from Pampered Chef. 15% of the sales price goes to St. John's. Free shipping for purchases through God's Gardener. Free Pampered Chef product for any order over \$75.00. Earn even more for St. John's and yourself if you collect \$200 in orders from your friends and family. See or call Mercury @ 203.449.0115 for the new catalog with fabulous new Pampered Chef products!

Recycle Clothes, Lines, Shoes and More

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