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COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL OCTOBER 13, 2024

TROPARION, KONTAKION & PROKEIMENON

Troparion – Tone 7

By Thy Cross Thou didst destroy death. To the thief Thou didst open Paradise. For the Myrrhbearers Thou didst change weeping into joy, and Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen,// granting the world great mercy.

Troparion – Tone 8

Thou art most glorious, O Christ our God, Who hast established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth. Through them Thou hast guided us to the True Faith.// O greatly compassionate One, glory to Thee!

Kontakion – Tone 7

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers. Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry: “The Savior has come to those in faith;// enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!”

Kontakion – Tone 6

The Son Who shone forth from the Father was ineffably born, two-fold in nature, of a woman. Having beheld Him, we do not deny the image of His form, but depict it piously and revere it faithfully. Thus, keeping the True Faith,// the Church venerates the icon of Christ Incarnate.

Prokeimenon – Tone 7

The Lord shall give strength to His people. / The Lord shall bless His people with peace.
V. *Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!*

Prokeimenon – Tone 4

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, / and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever!

LITURGICAL COMMEMORATION

Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

Today the Church remembers the 350 holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council under the holy Patriarch Tarasius (February 25). The Synod of 787, the second to meet at Nicea, refuted the Iconoclast heresy during the reign of Empress Irene and her son Constantine VI.

The Council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype (the person depicted). It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because “no man has seen God at any time” (John 1:18). In Greek practice, the holy God-bearing Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council are commemorated on October 11 (if it is a Sunday), or on the Sunday which follows October 11. According to the Slavic menaion, however, if the eleventh falls on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday, the service is moved to the preceding Sunday.

EPISTLE & GOSPEL READINGS

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard You, and in the day of salvation I have helped You." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed. But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

Epistle: Hebrews 13:7-16

Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

Gospel: Luke 8:5-15

"A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold." When He had said these things He cried, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!" Then His disciples asked Him, saying, "What does this parable mean?" And He said, "To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that 'Seeing they may not see, And hearing they may not understand.' Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.

Gospel: John 17:1-13

Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You, as You have given Him authority over all flesh, that He should give eternal life to as many as You have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do. And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was. I have manifested Your name to the men whom You have given Me out of the world. They were Yours, You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. Now they have known that all things which You have given Me are from You. For I have given to them the words which You have given Me; and they have received them, and have known surely that I came forth from You; and they have believed that You sent Me. I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine, and I am glorified in them. Now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to You. Holy Father, keep through Your name those whom You have given Me, that they may be one as We are. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I come to You, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, CAREGIVERS, AND DECEASED

To add a name, please email Darice at daricekeyes@gmail.com.

For the Sick / Caregiver

Lydia (9/22)	Michael (9/29)
Sharon (9/22)	Charlotte (9/29)
Athanasia-Trudy (9/22)	Sharon (10/6)
John (9/22)	Lynne (10/6)
Paul (9/22)	Liam (10/6)
Carmine (9/22)	Kelly (10/6)
Marianne (9/22)	Bill (10/6)
Anthony (9/22)	Alexandra (10/6)
Erica (9/29)	Father Paul (10/6)
Subdeacon Serge (9/29)	Matushka Mary (10/6)
Melody (9/29)	Thomas (10/6)

For the Deceased

Chris (9/15)
Betty (10/6)
Michael (10/6)
Lenore (10/6)
Bonnie (10/13)

SERVICES

Service Schedule for the Week of October 13

Sunday October 13 – 9:45 AM Hours, 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Turkey Social (Bingo) in Daria Hall

Saturday October 19 – 5:00 PM Vespers followed by Confession and Catechumen classes

Sunday October 20 – 9:45 AM Hours, 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour in Daria Hall

DONATIONS

Weekly Giving

October 6 – 86 adults, 15 youth, \$4,486

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us for the Annual Turkey Social (Bingo) today in Daria Hall after Divine Liturgy. Food is available for purchase, and the games will commence at approx. 12:30 PM.

There will be a Men's Orthodox Fellowship meeting this Friday, October 18 at 7:00 PM in Daria Hall. All men are invited.

The FOCA Club is having a Christmas Bake Sale in Daria Hall on Saturday, December 14. Pre-Order forms are on the last page of this bulletin. Please support our fundraising in order to help support Orthodox charities throughout the year. Thank you.

Notice to owners of plots in St. Vladimir Cemetery: We are adding phone numbers for owners of plots to our database AND emergency contact information for plot owners (contact names and phone numbers). Also, if you are aware of any previously purchased plots that will not be used, please let us know. This requested information can be provided as follows:

Text: 609-475-2517

Email: meteugene@aol.com

Call: 609-475-2517 (if you have to leave a message, please spell your name and provide call back phone number)

Thank you! Michael Toth, Cemetery Caretaker

Catechumen classes will be held on Saturday evenings after Vespers (5:00 PM). Parishioners are more than welcome to attend along with those studying to convert to the Orthodox faith.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Tiffany Milosav – October 15

Virgiliu Plesa – October 15

Have a blessed birthday and may God grant you many years!

COFFEE HOUR

Hosts are responsible for providing and setting up the refreshments in Daria Hall at 9:00 AM and after Holy Communion, cleaning up after Coffee Hour including washing, drying and putting away dishes, taking out the trash, wiping down the tables, and cleaning up the Coffee Room including turning off and cleaning the coffee and tea pots. Hosts will be informed in advance if cream cheese, butter, or milk is needed. **PLEASE NOTE:** Your assigned Coffee Hour Support Person will provide guidance, however, the Support Person will leave Daria Hall at 9:55 AM to attend church services. If you have arrived late or are not finished, you will be provided the key to lock the Hall when you are leaving for church services. If you have any questions, please contact Melody Stavisky or Alla Strauss.

SUGGESTED MENU:

Bagels / Breads

Donuts / Pastries

Desserts are available to use from the two freezers in Daria Hall

Fruit

Salads

Tortilla chips & Salsa

Hummus

Sugar-free dessert

Oreos (non-dairy)

NOTE: Hosts may provide a luncheon for a specific event or holiday (panikhida, birthday, anniversary, holiday) with advance notice to reserve the specific date to host the event. The hosts will be responsible for all food preparation for such a luncheon.

- Oct. 13 ANNUAL TURKEY SOCIAL – NO COFFEE HOUR
- Oct. 20 Eleni Athanatos & Tom Sowanick, Amber Touch
- Oct. 27 Sophie Dumas, Melissa Braun
- Nov. 3 Tyler Burger, Ludwin Lopez
- Nov. 10 Galina Shubina, Vera Pschenyczny
- Nov. 17 FAST Fiyori Habtesillasse, Lemlem Woldearegay
- Nov. 24 FAST Peter Abdallah, Jim Galcik
- Dec. 1 FAST Natalia Kolomatskaia, Trudy Ellmore
- Dec. 8 FAST Germain & Tahara Ortiz, Hannah Dougherty
- Dec. 15 FAST Mimi & Alan Berck, Amleset Gebrekvistas
- Dec. 22 FAST Father Volodymyr & Matushka Oksana, Svetlana Sosedov
- Dec. 29 Valeria & Timothy Srock, Guy Radcliffe
- Jan. 5 Darice Keyes, Bill & Margie DiCicco
- Jan. 12 Aftan Chowansky, Matthew & Nana Barrett
- Jan. 19 Juan Garcia, Benjamin & Julie Stell
- Jan. 26 Karina Kotelnicki, Paul & Patty Denko
- Feb. 2 Anna, Leon & Simeon Brasowski, Brittani & Alex Brasowski
- Feb. 9 Corneliu & Florica Balasa, Stefania Balasa

Have a healthy, blessed week!

FOCA Club Christmas Bake Sale Fundraiser

Saturday, December 14, 2024

PRE-ORDER FORM

<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Check below for no nuts</i>	<i>Cost Each</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
	2 doz. Cookies		\$13	
	4 doz. Cookies		\$25	
	Nut Roll		\$8	
	Poppyseed Roll		\$8	
	Lekvar Roll		\$8	

Total Due \$ _____

All cookies will be homemade!

There will be other items for sale at the Bake Sale - we are only taking Pre-Orders for the above.

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Cash or check payable to St. Vladimir R Club when picking up your order on Saturday Dec. 14 or Sunday Dec. 15 (during Coffee Hour).

PLEASE TURN IN YOUR PRE-ORDER TO DARICE, FRANCINE, or MIMI by NOVEMBER 17. Thank you for your support!