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**SERVICES October 1, 2017 - October 8, 2017**

Sunday, October 1, 2017.....9:00 am – Hours; 9:30 am –Divine Liturgy; Protection of Theotokos; Sunday School;  
Coffee Hour; 12:00 noon – 12:30 pm – Adult Study  
Wednesday, October 4, 2017.....6:00 pm - Healing Services  
Saturday, October 7, 2017.....5:00 pm–Vespers ; **GENERAL CONFESSION**  
Sunday, October 8, 2017.....9:00 am – Hours; 9:30 am – Divine Liturgy; Sunday School; Coffee Hour;  
12:00 noon – 12:30 pm – Adult Study

**OCTOBER 1, 2017**

**EPISTLE: 2 CORINTHIANS 6:16-7:1**

And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people." Therefore "Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the LORD Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

**GOSPEL: LUKE 6:31-36**

And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

**ALSO: HEBREWS 9:1-7 LUKE 10:38-42; 11:27-28**

**NEXT WEEK: OCTOBER 8, 2017 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-11 LUKE 7:11-16**

**THE CHURCH: THE ARK OF OUR SALVATION**

One of the best known stories of the Old Testament centers around Noah and the Great Flood sent by God to destroy an evil world. The Book of Genesis relates how this righteous man and his family were spared from the torrential rain that lasted 40 days and 40 nights by heeding God's command to build an ark and take on it a pair of all living creatures. Truly the ark was Noah's salvation - its sturdy structure provided refuge and shelter from the storm for those who took up their abode in it. Eventually, it was the very vessel that brought them all to safety.

The Church has long been compared to Noah's Ark by the Holy Fathers of our faith. We, too, are called upon to navigate the rough waters of a wicked world. Sin and temptation surround us, threatening to drown us in a flood of evil activities. Like Noah's Ark, the Church protects us from all outside forces that threaten us and delivers us from the certain death that awaits those who remain outside its walls. In his writings, St. John Chrysostom notes one important difference when symbolically comparing Noah's Ark to the Church. "Under Noah's direction," he writes, "the animals were released in the same state they entered. With the 'ark' that is the Church, however, we come aboard as sinners and have the capacity to leave as saints." With Christ at the helm, the Church is the "vessel" that will eventually bring us to that calm harbor that is the Kingdom of Heaven.

October 1, 2017

**PRAYER LIST :** We offer our prayers for all of our shut-ins who are unable to attend church services, especially: **Dolores Kicinski, Anna Rugala, Pauline Russell, Vera Tatusko and William Tellep Jr.**

Also offer your prayers for those in need especially **Vladimir Alexeev, Helen Baburchak, Lawrence Barlow, Matushka Joanna Bohush, Laura Chapin, David Davies, Nadine Dranchak, Thanos Fotiou, Marge Herciga, Natalie Kostyshak, Ann Kotasek, Logan Kulikowski, Robert Kushner, Linda Main; Charles Murphy, George Murphy, Tanya Pylypciw, Janeel Rahman, Sheila Ransom, Joni Mitchell, Millie Sviatyla, Dorothy Tarasevich, Arlene Tatusko, Rachelle Vitale, Carl Wall, Olga Warski & all of our parishioners who are ill.**

To add or remove names from the prayer list in the bulletin, please let Fr. Alexey or Fr. Timm know. **Thank you!**



**MEMORY ETERNAL!** We offer our condolences to Julie & Jack Wanchisen and family on the falling asleep in the Lord of Julie's brother, **Gregory Stroyen.** **MAY HIS MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**



**COFFEE HOUR:** Come downstairs and socialize with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Today : Babe Farbanish, Nettie Lukovich, Connie Devine, Natalie Kostyshak, Sister Macrina

Oct. 8: "Dorks"

Oct. 15: Paula Norton, Nicole Ewing, Nancy Kulikowski, Patty Warski

### **ANNUAL 2017 CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE – SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2017**

**We need your help at these workshops for this very important fundraiser.**

Workshops are scheduled for **9:00 am :**

**Pirogi** – Monday Oct. 9, & 16;

**Kolachki** – Saturday, Oct. 7 & 21 and Monday, Oct. 30;

**Rolls** – Monday Oct. 2 & 23 and Thursdays, Oct. 12, 19, & 26;

**Please mark your calendars to be available.**

**The Annual Diocesan Assembly will be held on Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> and Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> in Endicott, NY with a vote scheduled for a complete revision of our Diocesan By-Laws.**

Join us for Adult Study Classes **TODAY from 12 noon to 12:30** on Sundays after coffee hour for a **Journey of Discovery in Orthodox Christianity.**

The purpose of these classes is to journey together to discover or rediscover this "gold", this "light of Christianity", this "fullness". Our goal is not only one of discovery, but also one of learning how to experience this fullness of life in Christ through the fullness of the Christian faith retained without alteration in the Orthodox Church.

**ATTENTION: PARENTS, HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES, COLLEGE STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS: UPDATE TO MAILING LIST AND CHURCH DIRECTORY - PLEASE NOTIFY OUR CHURCH OFFICE OF ANY ADDRESS CHANGES TO OUR MAILING LIST. THERE IS A FORM IN THE OFFICE AND ON THE STAND IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH. THANK YOU!**



to all our visitors and guests who participate in our celebration of the Divine Liturgy! While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the Cross & receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. We invite all of our guests to join us for our Fellowship Hour & to visit our Bookstore.

**NOTE:** Our new website has been constructed, updated and ready to use: [ssppeny.org](http://ssppeny.org)

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