

Christ is in our midst! He is and shall be!

Our September Food Event is on September 11, 2022.

It's our first 'normal' post-Covid community activity.

It's time to begin volunteering for the work that needs to be done.

(It's not as time/work intensive as past events.)

Be ready to step forward or say 'yes' when asked to join the work effort.

Thank you to everyone who came and made kibbee. *(You made 130 pans!)*

Thank you to our lamb-cutting men. *(Don't know how much you cut.)*

(More details on this event may be found in the long-term calendar far below.)

International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)

The Ukraine Crisis

<https://iocc.org/blog/category/where-we-serve/ukraine>

Ukrainian Relief Dinner - Sunday, September 25, 2022

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Oakland

Tickets now available from Raymounda.

Pick up your canvas bags outside the church entry doors to participate in the **School Kit Program** to benefit children in Ukraine. *(In 2014 we filled 25 bags. This year we have 80. Thank you.)*

Church School begins on Sunday, August 28 --- Register for Church School today. Forms are available outside the entrance to the church. Complete and give to Kh. Melanie or deposit in the Office Door file basket.

We are always recruiting volunteers in support of our Church School Program. Speak with Kh. Melanie to find out what's needed.

(Please be aware that active participation in our Church School Program is essential for a child to receive a St. Michael's scholarship to Antiochian Village.)

dial **988** --- **Suicide & Crisis Lifeline** --- **988** dial

*"Off the Wall" = 3 minutes and 3 thoughts
on a Saint in communion with us on the walls of our church.
Once in "full swing," this will happen right before our children
receive Holy Communion and are dismissed to Church School.*

Schedule of Services and Church Events

(Check this calendar for Usher, Fellowship Hour and lock-up schedules.)

Secretary Debbie will NOT be in the office this week.

SUNDAY, August 21

(Ushers - Sara Armanious, Gust Flizanes, Wayne Macuga, Michele Murray, Elias Memari)

8:45 AM - ORTHROS

10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY (may we strive to arrive early)

"Off the Wall" St. Nicholas of Myra in Lycia

- Stewardship Sunday words from Pete Papas
- Fellowship Hour (weekly coordinator - Raymounda Chaho)
- Thanks to Helen Joseph and Barli Ross for hosting today.

(Lock-up - Tom Sproch - (we lock all but the church entry double-doors by 10:15))

WEDNESDAY, August 24

6:30 PM - Bible Study and Discussion (Philippians 2)

THURSDAY, August 25

9:00 AM - meat pie making

SATURDAY, August 26

6:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS

SUNDAY, August 28

(Ushers - Sara Armanious, Gust Flizanes, Wayne Macuga, Michele Murray, Dina Papas)

8:45 AM - ORTHROS

10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY (may we strive to arrive early)

"Off the Wall" Our Virgin of Saydnaya

- 40 Day Memorials - CATHERINE Romanus, JOHN Mansour
- Memorial Sunday for those departed during Augusts past
- **Church School begins TODAY!**
- Fellowship Hour (weekly coordinator - Raymounda Chaho)
- Thanks to Raymounda Chaho, Joyce Eger and Samar Khalil for hosting today.

(Lock-up - Lisa Stewart - (we lock all but the church entry double-doors by 10:15))

*Confessions are heard when scheduled on calendar,
by appointment in church, or by visit.
Call Fr. John at (724) 244-1228.*

AT DIVINE LITURGY, among others, we will be praying for... (bold=recently added)

...ADEL & SARA Armanious, Mat. SOPHIE Daniels, THOMAS Abraham, MARY Andrews, **CHRISTIAN & NICHOLAS Bell** (Melanie's sons), MARGARITA (Peggy) Bolha, BRADY Byers, GREGORY Cervo, HELEN Ciavarra (*Valerie Flizanes' mother*), JILLIAN Crowe, JAMES Dayoob, VERA Dydiw, MICHAEL Evans, MICHAEL Hamwey, RONALD and JOANNE Hasnauer, CAROLYN Hill, BONNIE Koury, SAMUEL Koury, KARIM Khalil, CJ Kudlik, IDA Langer, NATHANIEL McNicol, HEATHER, KARIN & DALE Personett, SAM Nataros (*Jennifer Saksen's brother*), FRANK Porembka, NICOLE Rosado, NICK Senuta, JACK Copeland (*father of Kh. Melanie, Melinda*)

Copeland, Stephanie Heydorn), BERNADETTE Brietinger (*wife of friend of Jeff Stewart*), ANTHONY & JILLIAN Crowe, baby JOSEPH PAUL Cervo and parents JOSEPH & ANGELINA; ROB Newton, DINA Papas, PAULETTE & THOMAS Sproch, LEO Szymkowiak, PAULETTE Weiss, LEILA Zakhary, CINDY & ROBERT Stupak (*cancer and Parkinson's; Janet Mochak's sister and bro-in-law*)... that they may have mercy, life, peace, health, salvation and visitation.

...birthday celebrants --- MALLORY Bitar (8/22), ALEXANDER Cuff (8/23), HALA Khalil Samoilov (8/25), JENNIFER Saxmanj (8/25), LINDA Assard (8/26), SAMUEL Gunther (8/26), JAMIE Nassur (8/27). God grant them many years!

...wedding anniversary celebrants --- DEL and ELLEN Kovacevic (8/22), BARLI and ROBERT Ross (8/23), ADRIENNE and ADAM Szymkowiak (8/23), JAMIE and REGIS McHugh (8/24), MARK and KARYL Nicholas (8/26). God grant them many years!

...baptism/chrisomation celebrants --- SARA Mochak Thomas (8/25), KOURY Utterback (8/27). God grant them many years!

CONGRATULATIONS and MANY YEARS...

...to baby MAXIMILIAN Gregory Cuff, his parents ANDREW and MARY, and his siblings, SOPHIA, LUCY and ALEXANDER, on Max's baptism on Saturday morning (August 20).

...to PATRICIA (Conley) and MICHAEL Aesoph who were married here at St. Michael's on Saturday afternoon (August 20).

WE WILL REMEMBER THE DEPARTED SERVANTS OF GOD... Metropolitan PHILIP, Bishop ANTOUN, Archimandrite GEORGE, Protopresbyter GEORGE Livanos, Kh. STEFANIE Yazge. May their memories be eternal.

PRAYERS OF OBLATION ARE OFFERED...

...in memory of RACHEL Ferguson by the Armanious family.

...in memory of CATHERINE Romanus by Dina Papas.

...in memory of JOHN Mansour by Dina Papas.

...in memory of FRED Charles by Helen Joseph.

...in memory of HELEN Porembka by Christine Mansour.

...in memory of DIANA Roberts by Dina Papas.

...in memory of parents MARIETTE and GEORGE Charabaty
by Zina Maalouff.

...in memory of HERB, IVAN, MARIA, TATIANA, VASILIIY, SERAFIMA,
LYUDMILA, EVGENII, VADIM, REBA and MEIZ by Tatiana Lucas.

...for the health of SOFIA, ALEKSANDER, TATIANA, TYAN, TAMARA,
YEKATERINA, ALEKSEY, DANILO, ELEONORA, and CHAD
by Tatiana Lucas.

ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 28, MEMORIAL PRAYERS WILL BE PRAYED for the following people who departed this life in Augusts past ---

--- RACHEL Ferguson (8/3/2022), JAMIL Chaho (8/4/84),
PRISCILLA Bosko (8/6/2004), MICHAEL Carr (8/6/2020),
FLOYD Mauer (8/7/2017), JAMES Mosellen (8/7/2021),
Archpriest BONIFACE Black (8/8/2016),
KATHRYN Ciganovic (8/8/2001), ANNA Sam (8/10/1997),
VIVIAN Curry (8/10/2014), Archpriest GREGORY Ofeish (8/11/2021),

KATHRYN Bilinsky (8/13/2000), **VICTOR** Mercado (8/18/2020),
RAYMOND Leavy (8/19/2011), **ANNA** Kudlik (8/24/2002),
BETTY Joseph (8/24/2013), **DONNA** Gazal (8/25/2009),
CAROLINE Ayoub (8/26/2001), **ASTRINA** Habit (8/26/2001),
Mat. JANET Mihalick (8/26/20), **GEORGE** Asa (8/27/1995),
SAM Jacobs (8/27/1996), **ANN** Lewis (8/28/2002),
ROBERT Vickroy (8/29/2021), **REBECCA** Krueger (8/29/2021),
DOROTHY Ferencz (8/31/2009), **BERTHA** Cervo (8/31/2011),
STOTHE Kezios (8/2005).

To add to the memorial list, call (724) 834-1311 and leave the name and date.

Raymounda coordinates the 2022 Fellowship Hour Hosting Schedule. Call or text Raymounda - (412) 558-5877 - and leave your NAME, NUMBER and DATE(s) you'd like to reserve. *Realizing that hosting a Fellowship Hour may be financially difficult for some of us, let that not be a reason for feeling unable to support our weekly Sunday post-Divine Liturgy time with each other. Everyone is always encouraged to step up and into the kitchen to find out how they can help!*

THINGS TO REMEMBER and THINGS WE NEED...

...WE WILL BE INSTALLING A SECURITY SYSTEM (cameras, etc.) in the near future. *If anyone has an 'extra' tablet or iPad or a computer monitor that they would donate (3 years old or newer), those items could reduce our expense.*

...CALEB'S CUPBOARD (our 'memorial hallway' collection bin for people in need) is still an active ministry of our church.

...PHONE CALLERS. Pete Papas is reviving our Phone Tree Team for emergent information to be passed along to those who are not regular users of email. See Pete to be part of the calling team or to add your name to the roster of those who'd like to be called.

...BREAD BAKERS AND WHEAT MAKERS. Leave your name and number on the church voicemail (724-834-1311) and we will contact you regarding the details of what you'd have to know and do.

...USHERS. See Fr. John or Gust Flizanes to sign up to serve.

...IDEAS for Fund-raising (and people to act on their ideas). For support, direction and coordination regarding your ideas, speak with Elias Memari (724-244-3055) or Stephanie Heydorn (724-216-7866). **Thank you to Elias and Stephanie for their willingness to be Fund-Raising Co-Coordinators.** They will take on the task of helping to break inertia and give momentum to the return of active fund-raising events to our

financial and budgetary plan.

...INFORM THE ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN whenever we might be intending to use the kitchen, to make sure no one else has scheduled to use it.

THINGS TO REMEMBER ALL THE TIME...

...BE ON TIME for church; **BE QUIET** in church, except when singing ; -)

...WHEN IT'S TIME FOR COMMUNION - Watch for direction from an usher when to proceed up the center aisle:

- 1) Church School/Children go first so they can get to class;
- 2) two center sections follow the children, then the "wing" sections;
- 3) rear section of sitters and standers.

...REMEMBER TO CROSS YOUR ARMS, right over left on your chest, and keep them crossed from the time you get in line until you reach to pick up a piece of the antidoron, the post-Communion holy bread. (This helps avoid any 'bump' accidents at the chalice. This is one time we refrain from blessing ourselves. **Say your name** as you come to stand before the priest.

...BEFORE IT'S TIME FOR COMMUNION - Be aware that regular Confession is understood to be a prerequisite act of our receiving the Precious and Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Besides fasting from eating or drinking anything on the day will Commune, our spiritual preparation is completed with prayer and *periodic participation in the Sacrament of Confession (at least during the Advent and Paschal fasts)*.

LONG TERM CALENDAR (UPCOMING DATES to Remember)

- **Thursday, August 25** - meat pie making - *come one, come all!*
(Big time 'thanks' to the ladies who last week were the kibbee team team, 130 pans worth!)
- **Sunday, August 28** - First Day of Church School
- **Sunday, September 4** - Antiochian Women's Meeting
- **Sunday, September 11, 12 pm to 4 pm** -

St. Michael's "We Remember..."

Memorial Service with name-by-name remembrance

Memorial Meal - 1) grilled lamb-ke-bab, green beans & rice - \$20

2) Frozen ethnic foods will also be available to purchase ---
grape leaves, kibbee, meat pies, spanakopita, pastitsio, etc.

3) and a Gyro Stand - \$8

All proceeds to benefit Sage's Army, Blackburn Center and South Greensburg Volunteer Fire Department.

Pick up "Meal" flyers for posting, outside the church entrance.

- **Sunday, September 25** - IOCC "Ukrainian Relief" Dinner
Prayer Service - 4:00 PM Dinner - 5:00 PM
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Pittsburgh
Raymounda has tickets (we received a block of 20)
- **Stewardship Days** - October and November
- **Thursday, Nov 10 - Sun, Nov 13** - Ancient Faith Women's Retreat
at Antiochian Village

REGISTER NOW!

Info/Registration at <https://store.ancientfaith.com/2022-afwr>

- **Sunday, December 4** - Annual General Parish Meeting
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- Parish Council Members -

(year designates final year of term)

Sara Armanious '23 (*Chair*), **Christine** Mansour '22 (*Vice-Chair*),
Samar Khalil '23 (*Treasurer*), **Joyce** Eger '23 (*Recording Secretary*),
Carolyn Hill '22 (*Corresponding Secretary*), **Raymounda** Chaho '24, **Andrew** Cuff
'24, **Christina** Armanious '24, **Michaelene** McWhinney '22, **Tom** Sproch '23, **Lisa** Stewart
'24, **Donald** Yoder '22.

ETHNIC FOOD FUNDRAISER

St. John the Baptist Church
315 Wilpen Road, Ligonier

CALL to order --- NOW thru August 21

PICK UP date --- Sunday, August 28, 11 AM to 2 PM
payment due at pickup; cash or check (**no credit cards**)

PRE-ORDER call Stevie: 724-238-2286 (cell) or Barb: 724-238-5800 (landline)
leave 1-NAME 2-NUMBER 3-ORDER details

\$8 Ethnic Platter (1 halupki, 2 perogies, halushki)
\$25 per dozen or \$15 per 1/2 dozen halupki (stuffed cabbage)