

The Forerunner

Saint John the Baptist Orthodox Church

Edwardsville, PA 18704

Orthodox Church in America

Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania

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June 03 –09, 2018

1st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 8. All Saints. Martyr
Lucillian and those who suffered with him at Byzantium

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Schedule of Services

Confessions: Before and after all Vespers Services

Vespers: Saturday at 4PM

Liturgy: Sunday at 9:00 AM

Vespers: Immediately after the Sunday Liturgy

Panihida for Julia Sitar from her children Saturday, June, 09th at 3
PM

Baptism and Chrismation: Contact Father George

Marriages: Please contact Father George BEFORE making any
other arrangements.

A Warm Welcome to all who celebrate the Lord's resurrection this morning with us. If you have a question, a prayer request, or any need, please speak with the priest, the attendant at the candle desk, or with any parish member. If you are a first time visitor to our parish, we invite you to sign our guest book, and partake of our hospitality in the coffee hour after the conclusion of the service. If you have questions about our practices or beliefs, please ask any parishioner or the priest.

A brief word about communion: For our friends present with us who are not Orthodox, please note that we have specific disciplines regarding receiving Communion, including fasting from midnight and having recently received confession and absolution. We ask that you refrain from going to Communion until you have spoken with the priest and understand our discipline and piety regarding this sacrament and its implication for responsibility towards and membership in the Orthodox Church.

Readings

Hebrews 11:33-12:2 (*Epistle*)

³³ who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

³⁴ quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

³⁵ Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection.

³⁶ Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment.

³⁷ They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented –

³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth.

³⁹ And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise,

⁴⁰ God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

¹ Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

² looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38, 19:27-30 (*Gospel*)

³² Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven.

³³ But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

³⁷ He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me.

³⁸ And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me.

²⁷ Then Peter answered and said to Him, “See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?”

²⁸ So Jesus said to them, “Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

²⁹ And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name’s sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life.

³⁰ But many who are first will be last, and the last first.

Spiritual Donations

Wine (June): In loving memory of Joseph Wozniak Sr. and Peter & Johanna Fedrow from Elizabeth & Joseph Wozniak. Memory Eternal!

Prospora (June): In memory of Anna Dutko and John Berdy from Elizabeth Dutko. Memory Eternal!

Incense (June): In loving memory of my dear Mother, Helen Piskorik on the anniversary of her falling asleep from Chrissy Collura. Memory Eternal!

Cross Candles Christ: In memory of John Berdy from Peter Dutko & Family. Memory Eternal!

Cross Candles Theotokos: In memory of Anna Dutko from Elizabeth Dutko. Memory Eternal!

Altar Candles (1&2): Thanking God for our many blessings! from Leo & Chris Adamski

Royal Doors (1): In honor of Christine Pocono on her birthday from Aunt Olga. God Grant You Many Years !

Royal Doors (2): In honor of & for good health for our graduates, Illia & Ivan from Chris Adamski & Kathryn Graham. Many God Grant You Both Many Blessed Years!

Tetrapod Candles (1&2): In memory of Holak Family, Daniel, Anna, Emily, Sophia, Harry & William from John Holak. Vetchnya Pomynat!

Tomb Candle: In memory of Anna Berdy Dutko from Peter Dutko & Family. Memory Eternal!

Eternal Candle: In loving memory of Helen Piskorik from Elizabeth & Joseph Wozniak. Memory Eternal!

Bulletin Sponsor: In memory of Welsey Crompton Jr. from cousin Susan Holak. Memory Eternal!

Our Family Prayer Needs

Those Ill and afflicted: Todd Collura, Fr. Emilian Hutnyan, Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan, Carolyn, Patrick, Helen Grumblis, Jeanne Heusel, Mary Rilko, Helen Borden, Katherine Graham, Cheryl Rosencrans, Tom Podolak, Mary Cunius, Brian Lechak, Anna Antall, Edward Morgans, Sean Wolfe, Margiee, Anna Souchik, Leo Martin, Mary Ellen Spinicci, Margaret Hoidra, Doris Amos, Carlene Craiger, JoAnne Olejnick, John Rushton

Those in Nursing Homes, and those homebound: Mary Kosciuszko, Helen Bray, Betty Ervin, Mary Nickett, David Price, Julia Talpash, Rudolph Bullard, Tatiana Radsavitch

Those serving in the Armed Forces: John Swetts, Alexander Baney, Elliot Hurchalla

Announcements

On June 8th and 9th the borough of Edwardsville will host their annual **Pierogie Festival**. Once again St. John's will participate with an Ethnic Booth and Pierogie sale. This year, in addition to frozen pierogies, cooked pierogies will be available to eat in or take out in Repella Hall on the days of the Festival. Your Time and Talents are needed. The preparation of pierogies will take place on **Monday and Tuesday June 4th & 5th beginning at 8:30 AM.** Your help is needed to insure a successful project. There is a job for people of all abilities. Many hands make light work. Please feel free to ask a friend or fellow parishioner. If you have any questions please ask any Parish Council member or Shirley Gingo.

Mothers & Daughters Annual Graduation Breakfast will be on **Sunday, June 3rd**. There are 2 graduates this year, Ivan Gingo & Illia Volkovinsky.

Vladimir Gingo is working on earning his **Eagle Scout award**. He has chosen a project to beautify the church grounds as his project. Because he must earn the money for the products needed he will be selling homemade Welsh cookies. An order sheet is being handed out. Last day to order will be **June 10th** with pick up **June 17th**.

FOCA will be hosting a **Breakfast Coffee Hour** on **June 17th**. Please join us for food, fellowship, and fun. The proceeds are to be used to buy Food Fest items.