



## ***St. John Chrysostom Church***

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### **June 2016 SJCC News**

My Joy in the Lord,

I ask for your prayers as this month, on June 22<sup>nd</sup>, I will be having surgery to repair a damaged rotator cuff in my right shoulder. This will mean that I will not be able to serve for a few weeks immediately after surgery. Fr. Stephan Close will serve for me on June 26 and July 3. Fr. James Worth will serve for me on July 10. After that I will be serving with the help of Hierodeacon Mark (Berge) from St. Luke's. Please extend your warm hospitality to our guest clergy during my recuperation.

There will not be a priest available for the feast of SS. Peter & Paul so Liturgy in the evening of June 29 is canceled. Please take this opportunity to visit one of the other parishes for this celebration.

During my early recuperation, there will be no Vespers until I can start serving them again.

May you have a blessed Summer.

With love, in Christ,

Fr. Seraphim

#### **Please remember that we are trying to remodel our building so that:**

1. we can fit more people in more comfortably,
2. the space is more conducive to worship and to fellowship

But, in order to do this we need at least some money in our Building Fund. While some people have been contributing regularly, others have not. Both our General Fund and our Building Fund collections are rather anemic this year. We are over ONE MONTH BEHIND in income for our budget. This means that we are able to do much less than we want to. **Please help.**

Also, I know we are all anxious to get the remodeling done as quickly as possible and everyone is waiting for those changes to be finished but please don't ask why something was not done sooner. Everything is being done as soon as we have money and approvals to do them. Nothing is being delayed one day longer than necessary.

**We will have a building Work Party on June 5 after Liturgy until 3 pm.** We need to clean up the outside of the building, paint some areas, fix some soffits and a few exterior deteriorating areas. It should not take more than a few hours if we get a good group participating. Please bring work clothes so we can get it all done.

**We are continuing with the \$5-a-Month Club** to support the priests in Uganda. Each \$5 raises the monthly stipend for all the priests in Uganda by .3% per month. 340 people are needed to double their \$25 a month salary. We can't do it by ourselves, but if people from all parishes support this project, it can be done. But it needs to start with us, please join – just write a check for \$5 every month or \$60 for the year. Thank you.

**I will be in Tulsa from Wednesday, June 15 until Saturday, June 18 at our Diocesan PLC** (Parish Life Conference). If there is an emergency, please contact one of the priests at an OCA or Greek parish.

**June 19 (Pentecost) is also Father's Day.** The women will be cooking a wonderful meal for us that day (as if they don't do it almost every week anyway). Please remember that Coffee Hour will be AFTER the Vespers with the Prayers of Kneeling.

**Our Parish Picnic is postponed until August 28!!!** Please mark it on your calendars!

**No Liturgy for SS. Peter & Paul.** Please take this opportunity to visit one of the other parishes for this celebration.

**No Vespers June 25 or in July until further notice.** I will start serving Vespers as soon as I am able.

**Prayer Circle:** The Prayer Circle is a group of Parishioners who, at least once each week, spend some time asking God to care for and bless various individuals who are in need of His Mercy. If you wish to be part of the Prayer Circle or would like more information, please contact Alexandra Gisetti at [alexandra.gisetti@gmail.com](mailto:alexandra.gisetti@gmail.com).

### Parishioner Celebrations

**NOTE: If you don't see your day listed OR see your day listed on the wrong day  
PLEASE let Fr. Seraphim know – as soon as possible**

#### June

06/02	Anniversary	Joe & Joyce Mikita
06/16	Birthday	Kara Yakubik
06/16	Birthday	Ketino Beim
06/17	Birthday	Dawn Dovey
06/27	Namesday	Jacque Gisetti
06/29	Anniversary	Christina & Deacon Jan Veselak
06/29	Namesday	Paul Saieg

#### July

07/02	Birthday	Fr. Seraphim Gisetti
07/08	Birthday	Alex Beim
07/09	Birthday	Seraphima Rahe
07/13	Birthday	Elisabeth Gisetti
07/13	Birthday	Chris Dovey
07/17	Namesday	Carolyn Baldwin
07/17	Namesday	Margaret Berry
07/18	Namesday	Elisabeth Gisetti
07/18	Namesday	Alyssa Dovey
07/19	Namesday	Fr. Seraphim Gisetti
07/20	Birthday	Robert Kinsey
07/20	Birthday	Susan Arnold
07/22	Namesday	Kylee Gisetti
07/24	Anniversary	Christopher & Bethany Cheaqui
07/24	Namesday	Kristin Brown
07/24	Namesday	Christina Veselak
07/25	Namesday	Joyce Mikita
07/31	Namesday	Joseph Mikita
07/31	Namesday	Joseph Berry

### PROSPHORA Baking Schedule

**REMINDER:** PLEASE make sure that you bring ONE (and only one) prospora with names for commemoration -this includes both living and departed, if some of the living or departed are not Orthodox, I want them anyway - to church at least the night before the date on which it is due. You can bring it up to three weeks before and we'll freeze it until the date, but don't try to bring it that morning. I usually start the Proskomedie early and need the prospora to be there. If it's not there by the night before, I will defrost a spare to use. Thank you for your consideration.

#### June

5	Open
12	Kara Yakubik
19	Open
26	Jacque Gisetti

#### July

3	Seraphima Rahe
10	Chris Dovey
17	Dana Berry (for Maggie)
24	Christopher & Bethany Cheaqui
31	Joe Mikita

**We will always need prospora.** I will be happy to come to your house and bake them with you if you're not sure how to do it.

## Schedule of Services and Events

### June

4	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
5	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	<b>Sunday of the Blind Man</b>
			Coffee hour & Last Day of Sunday School	
			<b>Parish Work Party</b>	
9	Thu	6:30 pm	Liturgy	<b>Ascension of our Lord</b>
			Potluck	
11	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
12	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	<b>Fathers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ecumenical Council</b>
			Coffee hour	
18	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
19	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	<b>Pentecost</b>
			Vespers with the Prayers of Kneeling	
			<u>Father's Day Brunch</u>	
25	Sat		<b>NO Vespers</b>	
26	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	<b>All Saints</b>
			Coffee Hour	
27	Mon		<u>Start of the Apostles Fast</u>	
29	Wed		<u>End of the Apostles Fast</u>	<b>Holy Apostles Peter and Paul</b>

### July

2	Sat	5:00 pm	<b>NO Vespers</b>
3	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
			Coffee hour
9	Sat	5:00 pm	<b>NO Vespers</b>
10	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
			Coffee hour
16	Sat	5:00 pm	<b>NO Vespers</b>
17	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
			Coffee hour
23	Sat	5:00 pm	<b>NO Vespers (?)</b>
24	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
			Coffee hour
30	Sat	5:00 pm	<b>NO Vespers (?)</b>
31	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy
			Coffee hour