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My Joy in the Lord,

Finally we are going to purchase the icons that so many of you signed up to do several years ago. Unfortunately, the list we had in our first storefront disappeared in the move to our current place. So I must ask you to sign up again. Further down you will see the list of icons that we would like to have. Pick one or more and let me know (if you can't sign up at church). I have not indicated saints icons because there are so many. If you would like to donate a saint's icon, please talk to me beforehand.

Why now instead of focusing on a church building? Because I believe that these icons help us understand and visualize the teachings of the Church as we go through the year. And, I believe that this is necessary to help us become more involved in the Church, not just the church.

There are some big plans for this year so please stay tuned!!

Particularly, please reserve May 19 to be at church for a special service with our Bishop Basil and the OCA Bishop Alexander (Golitzin). They are coming to help celebrate my 40th anniversary in the priesthood.

With love, in Christ,
Fr. Seraphim

Please join us for an Antiochian Women sponsored luncheon on Sunday, February 10th after Liturgy. Cost of the meal is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

Please join us on Saturday, February 23rd for Vespers at 5 pm followed by Family Night. This month's Family Night is Game Night. Please bring a couple of your favorite games to share. Dinner is on your own; feel free to bring dinner for you and your family or there are a number of eateries in the area to get dinner and bring it back to eat while we play. Get ready for a night of fun, laughter and fellowship!

The St. John's Antiochian Women are putting together a St. John's cookbook to sell. We ask you and your family for recipe contributions for the cookbook. Please make sure to give credit to whom it belongs. Feel free to include 1-3 sentences about the recipe, its significance, its history, etc. If you have a picture of the finished product, please include it as well. Please email recipes to Anna at anna.gisetti@gmail.com or get a paper copy to her by March 15th.

Adult Discussions: I will start having them at 3:30 on the last Saturday of the month. These will be a combination of Bible Study and open discussions about the Faith.

Parent Discussions: I have wanted to get our younger parents together to talk about how to raise children in the Church. This is not to imply that you are not doing a good job already, but to suggest that getting together and talking about some of the issues – from the standpoint of how to deal with the non-Christian pressures of our society – would be helpful. These discussions are on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 4 pm. I hope that all of you can make it – whatever the age of your children. :-)

REMEMBER Sunday School!!!!

YAL Schedule: Please contact Kara Yakubik for details.

Day of Service signups: **PLEASE** continue to sign up for Coffee Hour and cleanup – this is an important aspect of what is meant by being one of the People of God- to help serve each other.

Looking ahead: **Fr. John Behr will be with us for a retreat on Saturday, March 30.**

PROSPHORA Baking Schedule

February

3 Krista Bergren
10 Dana Berry
17 Mickey & Fanny Negreanu
24 Fr. Seraphim

March

3 Jaime Rall
10 Paula Leshinski
17 Olga Payton
24 Jonathan Spencer
31 Larissa Spencer

REMINDER: PLEASE make sure that you bring ONE (and only one) prosphora 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 prosphora to be there. If it's not there by the night before, I will defrost a spare to use. Thank you for your consideration.

Parishioner Celebrations in January & February

**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**

February

02/03 Birthday Dana Berry
02/03 Birthday Masha Gisetti
02/04 Birthday Maria Mantas
02/06 Namesday Krista Bergren
02/10 Birthday Natalia Issatchenko
02/14 Anniversary Mickey & Fanny Negreanu
02/16 Birthday Priscilla Negreanu

March

03/04 Namesday Jaime Rall
03/08 Birthday Claire Emmons
03/10 Birthday Paula Leshinski
03/13 Namesday Christine Negreanu
03/15 Birthday Nickolas Higgins
03/18 Namesday Eric Jerome
03/19 Anniversary Olga Payton
03/19 Birthday Joseph Mikita
03/20 Namesday Claire Emmons
03/21 Birthday Olga Payton
03/21 Birthday Jonathan Spencer
03/26 Namesday Larissa Spencer
03/28 Birthday Cody Bergren
03/31 Birthday Christine Negreanu

Schedule of Services and Events

February

3	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	
9	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
10	Sun	8:00 am	Matins (Orthros)	
		9:00 am	Liturgy	
16	Sat	4:00 pm	<u>Parents Discussion</u>	
		5:00 pm	Vespers	
17	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	
23	Sat	3:30 pm	<u>Adult Discussion</u>	
		5:00 pm	Vespers	
24	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee

March

2	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
3	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Sunday of the Prodigal Son
9	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
10	Sun	8:00 am	Matins (Orthros)	
		9:00 am	Liturgy	Meatfare Sunday
16	Sat	4:00 pm	<u>Parents Discussion</u>	
		5:00 pm	Vespers	
17	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Cheesefare Sunday
			Forgiveness Vespers (after Coffee hour)	
18	Mon		<u>Start of Great Lent</u>	
		7:00 pm	Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew of Crete	
20	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy	
			Potluck and Discussion	
23	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
24	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Sunday of Orthodoxy
		6:00 pm	Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers at Assumption Cathedral	
25	Mon	6:30 pm	Evening Liturgy	Annunciation to the Theotokos
			Potluck	
27	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy	
			Potluck and Discussion	
30	Sat	9:00 am	Retreat with Fr. John Behr	
		5:00 pm	Vespers	
31	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	2nd Sunday of Lent

Daily Scripture Readings: I am not including daily readings of Scripture because there are so many on-line sources and they don't agree; so rather than my adding to the confusion, pick one and follow it. The same holds true for the commemoration of the saints – there are many calendars and while most agree on the majority of days, when they do disagree, it is always for historical reasons rather than theological, so pick a calendar and follow it.

Looking ahead - 2013 General Schedule of Services

(see monthly newsletter for changes)

March

18 Mon *Great Fast begins*
25 Mon 9:00 am Liturgy & Potluck **Annunciation**

April

28 Sun 9:00 am Liturgy **Palm Sunday**

May

5 Sun midnight Matins & Liturgy & BreakFast **PASCHA**
19 Sun 9:00 am Hierarchical Liturgy w/ Bishop Basil

June

6-8 Parish Life Conference in Kansas City.
13 Thu 6:30 pm Liturgy & Potluck **Ascension of our Lord**
23 Sun 9:00 am Liturgy **Pentecost**
29 Sat 9:00 am Liturgy & Brunch **SS. Peter & Paul**

August

1 Thu *Dormition fast begins*
6 Tue 6:30 pm Liturgy & Potluck **Transfiguration of Our Lord**
15 Thu 6:30 pm Liturgy & Potluck **Dormition of the Theotokos**

September

8 Sun 9:00 am Liturgy **Nativity of the Theotokos**
14 Sat 9:00 am Liturgy & Brunch **Elevation of the Cross**

November

13 Wed 6:30 pm Liturgy & Potluck **St. John Chrysostom (Patronal Feast)**
15 Fri *Nativity Fast begins*
21 Thu 6:30 pm Liturgy & Potluck **Entrance into the Temple of the Theotokos**
28 Thu 9:00 am Liturgy **Thanksgiving Day**

December

24 Tue 9:00 am Royal Hours *Nativity Eve*
Vesperal Liturgy
7:00 pm Vigil
25 Wed 9:00 am Liturgy **Nativity of our Lord**