

THE FORERUNNER

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Orthodox Church O.C.A.

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Very Rev. Mark Meholick, Dean: Priest-in-charge
John Conkey – Council President

September 2016 Glory Be to Jesus Christ!

Service Schedule

Note: The following schedule assumes that Father Basil is available to serve at St. John's that day. If not, we will notify everyone via the Phone Tree.

September 4

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

Coffee Hour - The Conkey's and Thompson's

September 11

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

Coffee Hour - The Fetcenko's and Stine's

September 13

Vespers @ 6:00 pm for the Elevation of the Cross

~~September 14~~

~~Divine Liturgy @ 8:00 am for the Elevation of the Cross - Tentative, monitor online calendar~~

September 17

Vespers @ 6:00 pm

September 18

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

Parish Meeting after Divine Liturgy

September 25

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

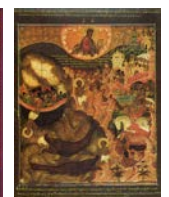
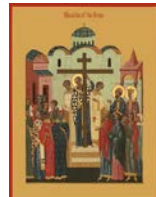
Coffee Hour - The Blake's and McGraw's

Reader's Schedule

	<i>Hours</i>	<i>Epistle</i>
9/4	John Conkey	John Conkey
9/11	Doug Donovan	Doug Donovan
9/18	Julia Biberdorf	Mark Ammerman
9/25	Tom Demchak	Tom Demchak

Feasts & Saints

9/1	Church New Year
9/5	Prophet Zachariah, father of St John the Baptist
9/8	Birth of the Holy Theotokos
9/14	Elevation of the Holy Cross
9/15	Great-Martyr Nikitas the Goth
9/17	St. Sophia
9/22	Holy Prophet Jonah



Please contact Shirley Donovan or Mary Ann Conkey if there are changes with the Coffee Hour. Cash donations go towards the purchase of coffee, cream, sugar, and donuts.

Anniversaries	
Shirley and Doug Donovan	9/1
Linda and Tom Nolder	9/10

Birthdays	
Hunter Batchko	9/19
Mark Ammerman	9/23
Elena Batchko	9/27

The Hanging Vigil above the Royal Doors of the iconostasis is supported by Irene Pollock in loving memory of her sister and brother-in-law Margaret and Robert Stefanko.

The Vigils on the Tetrapod are supported by Irene Pollock in loving memory of her parents, sisters, brothers, husband, nephew and stepfather.

The votives in front of the iconostasis, on the candle stands and in front of the icons in the nave are supported by Andrew & Louise Tocimak in loving memory of the Tocimak family.

Remember in your prayers: Archbishop MELCHISEDEK, Father John, Father Adam, Father Ted, Father Paul, Father Michael, Father Andrew, Father John, Matushka Judy Horosky, Matushka Ksenia Batchko, Larry Ammerman, Mary Ann Ammerman, Jen Ammerman and Victor, Alexis Blackburn, Karen Blackburn, Chris Conkey, John Conkey, James Crites, Helen Czar, Joe Demchak, Mike Demchak, Steve Demchak, Kari Donovan, Matthew Donovan, Michael Evans, Bonnie Fetcenko, Randy Fetcenko, Rose Marie Fetcenko, Olga Finlayson, Kenneth Finlayson, Jack Foster, Mary Foster, Harry Horosky, Alexandra Mamrak, Eugene Minarich, Evan Morgan, Richard Nakles, Gloria Rice, John Saupp, Mary Sura Saupp, Harry Socie, Alexandra Stine, Karen Stine, Eleanor Sura, Andrew Tocimak, Irene Tocimak, Louise Tocimak, Walter Varagea, Delores Varagea, Patricia Wood

“O Master, the all-sustainer, and Holy King, Who punishes, but reduces not to death, Who strengthens the failing and raises the outcast, Who remedies the bodily sorrows of men, we pray unto Thee, O Our Lord, visit Thine infirm servants with Thy mercy; forgive them every transgression, voluntary and involuntary. Verily O Lord, send down from Heaven Thy healing power, touch the body, extinguish the fever, lessen the suffering and every infirmity of Thy servants, raise them decumbent, from sickness, and from the bed of evilness, make them whole and all-restored, return them to Thy Church well-pleasing and fulfilling Thy will. For it is of Thine own, to be merciful and to save us, O Lord, and unto Thee we send glory, to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

**God has a purpose for your pain,
A reason for your struggles,
And a reward for your faithfulness.
Don't give up!**

FROM THE PRESIDENT – John Conkey

On September 18th we will be having the Semi-Annual meeting for the parish. We will conduct our normal business, including reviewing the current budget, discussing a rewrite of our By-Laws, which were last updated in 1971, and discussing a stipend to pay our parish priest. Documents for review prior to the meeting will be available on the tetrapod.

Additionally, September marks the month we make a head count and send our 2017 assessment count to the Diocese. If you haven't yet paid your 2016 assessments of \$170.00 per individual, please do so by the end of the calendar year."

A special thank you for all those who made our second annual Yard Sale and pierogi sale a success. We earned close to \$700.00 for the Parish.