October 6, 2019 16th Sunday After Pentecost

# **Upcoming Services:**

Sat. Oct. 12, 6:00 pm. - Great Vespers

Sun. Oct. 13, 9:00 am. - Divine Liturgy, Hours at 8:45

Mon. Oct. 14, 9:30 am. - Divine Liturgy, Protection of the Mother of God

Sat. Oct. 19, 6:00 pm. - No Vespers (Father at Sobor)

Sun. Oct. 20, 9:00 am. - Divine Liturgy, Hours at 8:45

### Conception of the Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptizer of the Lord, John:

The holy prophet Malachi prophesied that before the messiah's birth His forerunner would appear, and would indicate His coming. The Jews therefore in awaiting the messiah also awaited the appearance of His forerunner.

In a city of the hills of Judea in the land of Palestine lived the righteous priest St. Zachariah and his wife St. Elizabeth, zealously observing the commandments of the lord. The couple, however, had the misfortune that they remained childless in their old age, and they prayed unceasingly to God to grant them a child. Once when St. Zachariah took his turn as priest at the temple of Jerusalem, he went into the sanctuary to offer incense. Going behind the veil of the sanctuary, he beheld an angel of god standing at the right side of the altar of incense. St. Zachariah was astonished and halted in fear, but the angel said to him, "Fear not, Zachariah, for your prayer is heard; and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John." But Zachariah did not believe the words of the heavenly messenger, and then the angel said to him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God; and I was sent to speak to you, and to bring you the good news. Behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things come to pass, because you did not believe my words."

Meanwhile the people were waiting for Zachariah, and they were astonished that he had not come out from the sanctuary after so long a time. And when he did come out, he was supposed to pronounce a blessing upon the people, but could not do so because he had been struck speechless. When Zachariah explained by gestures that he was unable to speak, the people then understood that he had experienced a vision. The prophecy of the archangel was fulfilled, and Elizabeth was delivered from her barrenness, and gave birth to John, the Forerunner and Baptist of the Lord.

#### The Blessedness of the Parish

Let the chief pastor weave together his homilies like flowers, let the priests make a garland of their ministry, the deacons of their reading, strong men of their jubilant shouts, children of their psalms, chaste women of their songs, chief citizens of their benefactions, ordinary folk of their manner of life. Blessed is He who gave us so many opportunities for good! Let us summon and invite the saints, the martyrs, apostles and prophets, whose own blossoms and flowers shine out like themselves - such a wealth of roses they have, so fragrant are their lilies: from the Garden of Delights do they pluck them, and they bring back fair bunches to crown our beautiful feast. O praise to You form the [saints who are] blessed! (St. Ephrem the Syrian, *Ephrem the Syrian: Selected Poems*, p. 177)

#### Birthdays:

Oct. 6 - Meghan Teijaro

2 Corinthians: 6: 16-20

Reader Schedule:

Sun Oct. 6 - Cvnthia Neff

Sun Oct. 13 - Kurtis Lauser

Sun Oct. 27 - Wesley Hatch

Sun Oct. 20 - Jim Hamer

Luke 5: 1 - 11

Oct. 7 - Anna Eckman, Zorina Eckman

Oct. 12 - Karen Sparano

### **Upcoming Events:**

Mon Oct. 7 - 7:00 pm - Fall Bazaar planning mtg. Sun, Oct. 20 - Sisterhood Meeting following Liturgy in the church hall.

<u>Tues, Oct. 22 - 7:00 pm</u> - <u>Executive board</u> meeting in the church hall.

Sat. Nov. 9 - Holy Ghost Fall bazaar 10 - 2pm

# **Upcoming Bazaar Cooking Events:**

Tues. Oct. 8 - 6:30 pm. Halupki Prep.

Wed. Oct. 9 - 8:30 am. Halupki Making

Fri. Oct. 11 - 8:00 am. Potato Prep.

Sat. Oct. 12 - 8:30 am. Make Pierogies

Fri. Oct. 18 - 6:30 pm. Nut Roll Prep

Sat. Oct. 19 - 8:30 am. Bake Nut Rolls

Fri. Oct. 25 - 8:00 am. Potato prep.

Sat. Oct. 26 - 8:30 am. Pierogies

Tue. Oct. 29 - 6:30 pm. Nut Roll Prep

Wed. Oct. 30 - 8:30 am. Bake Nut Rolls

Food sales are suspended as of October 1st until the Holiday Bazaar in November. Volunteering at 3 cooking sessions is required to be able to purchase food Fri. night and Sat. morning before the Bazaar.

## Prayer Corner:

For the Health of: Joe Domsohn Sr., Olga Ward, Erin Bove, Toby Seip, Richard Ziegler, Sandy Knisley, Peter Roccia, Chris Mican, Bill Hall, Karen, & Max Bostic

#### Anniversaries:

None this week

#### Notices:

Handmaiden of God and life-long parishioner Katie Peck fell asleep in the Lord on September 25th. She was buried in the church cemetery Sept. 30.

# Sobor of the UOC of USA

The 22nd Regular Sobor of the UOC of USA will be held in South Boundbrook, New Jersey, October 16-19. Illaria Steele and Ron Hershey are selected as our delegates and Katie Thomas is the alternate.

#### Priest absent

Father Nick will be away for Sobor in South Bound Brook, NJ. October 15-19

#### Soup of the Month

Thanks to all who supported September's Soup of the Month sale. Of the 26 quarts of soup prepared, 25 were sold in one day! The soup sales will benefit the Holy Ghost UOC General Fund. Suggestions for October's Soup have been submitted -- beef barley or chili. The selected "soup" will be available for purchase on Sunday, Oct. 27

<u>Coffee Hour</u> - We need families to sign up and host our Sunday Coffee Hour.

October Charity
Parishioner Care Fund

Bulletin Additions

For bulletin additions contact Wesley Hatch by Friday 6 pm