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- ❖ Sergei Arhipov
- ❖ Mat. Martha Moser
- ❖ Daria Cortese

Church School Director

- ❖ Jennifer Sremanak

Service Schedule

Great Vespers/Vigil

Saturdays 6pm

Eve of Feast 7pm

(6pm on Sundays).

Hours

Sundays and Feast Days 9:10am

Divine Liturgy

Sundays and Feast Days 9:30am

Confessions:

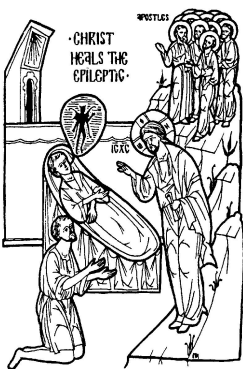
Saturdays after Vespers and by appointment.

Akathist Service

Wednesdays at 9:15am

Memorial Services (Panikhida/Litya): as

requested. Arrange with the Rector.



10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 1. Forefeast of the Transfiguration. Martyr Eusignius of Antioch (362). Ven. Job of Ushchelsk (1628). Hieromartyr Antherus (Antheros—236) and Fabian (250), Popes of Rome. Martyr Pontious at Cimella in France (ca. 257). Martyrs Cantidius, Cantidian, and Sibelius (Sobel) of Egypt. Righteous Nonna, mother of St. Gregory the Theologian (374)

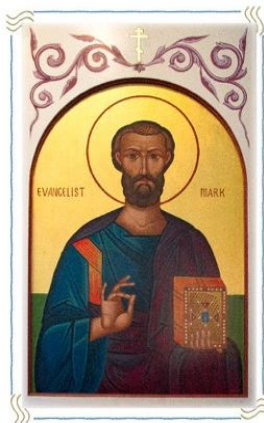
EPISTLE: *1 Corinthians* 4:9-16

GOSPEL: **Matthew** 17:14-23

Baptisms: Children must have Orthodox Godparents who provide a letter from their parish priest. Parents and Godparents are required to attend two preparatory classes. Scheduling arrangements should be made with the Rector by contacting him directly.

Weddings: Arrangements should be made **at least** six months prior to the wedding and scheduling is subject to the liturgical calendar of the church.

Please do not make arrangements for receptions without speaking with the Rector first.



Weekly Schedule of Services and Events

- Sun** August 5: Hours and Divine Liturgy 9:10am. Litya for Jack Malriat, requested by wife Barbara. Coffee Hour. **Vigil for Transfiguration - 6pm.**
- Mon** August 6: **Hours and Divine Liturgy for Transfiguration - 9:10am.** Of What Life do we Speak. A Parish Conversation. 7pm.
- Wed.** Aug 8: Paraclis Service with Psalms Class 9:15am. **Vigil for St. Herman 7:00pm.**
- Thurs.** Aug 9: **Hours and Divine Liturgy for St. Herman of Alaska - 9:10am.**
- Fri.** Aug 10: Paraclis Service - 6pm
- Sat.** Aug 11: Great Vespers and Confessions 6pm

Sun. Aug 12: Hours and Divine Liturgy 9:10am. *Litya for Wanda, Peter, Peter Wanko Jr., requested by John Wanko.* Coffee Hour. Clergy Brotherhood Paraklesis Service at Descent of the Holy Spirit Romanian Orthodox Church, Elkins Park - 4pm.

Dormition Fast: August 1 begins the Dormition Fast, a period of preparation for the Great Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos on August 15. Make the effort to keep the fast, to pray more or better, i.e. with consistency, attentiveness, to attend the services offered. Also, accept opportunities to reach out to those in need in your immediate experience, i.e. neighborhood, family, workplace.

Donations: We are grateful for the following donations which serve to enhance our worship. Zipifka Cups, Icons, Semantron, Books for the Library, Service Books. Vestments.

Of What Life Do We Speak?: His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon prepared this reflection on the four pillars of the Holy Table which provides the icon for our life in Christ as the Church. He identifies these pillars as the Four Pillars of our Healing - The Spiritual Life, Stewardship, Relations with Others, Evangelism and Outreach. Beginning on the Feast of Transfiguration, you are invited to join us in a communal reading and reflection on this document which formed the basis and direction of the 19th All American Council as a basis for church wide reflection and discussion leading to renewal and apostolic mission. Mondays at 7pm for one hour. The text is available online here

<https://oca.org/cdn/PDFs/synod/mettikhon-four-pillars.pdf>.

Save the Date:

Church School Retreat: August 15th: Following Divine Liturgy, Lunch, talk, crafts focusing on 4 Feasts of Theotokos, outdoor activities, bouquets of flowers for shut-ins or those in difficult times. On the 14th some families will be going to Maple Acres Farm and in Plymouth Meeting where you can pick 50 zinnias for \$3. Others welcome to join them. Flowers will be used for bouquets.

Parish Picnic Sunday September 23 after Divine Liturgy. If you are willing to help with setup, cleanup, grill prep, activities, cooking, etc. See Charlotte Regen.

Script: Profit \$43.00. YTD \$504.02.

Wrightstown Food Cupboard: Please continue to bring pasta, sauce, coffee, tea, juice with you to church throughout the summer months.

VIGIL LIGHTS

From Swan Family

For the Health of: Helen Lavorata, Venus Love, Michael Love



Please remember in your prayers



Living: Captives Hierarchs Paul and John, orphans of St. afflicted *Pcdn* Joseph, *Matushki* Elena, Laryssa, Lisa, Priscilla, *Servants of God* Peter, Stephanie, Anthony, Samuel, Sergei, Tatyana, Vera, Anna, Serge, Dennis, David, Garry, Vincent, Helen, Stephen, Raymond, Kathleen, Darrell, Barbara, Daniel, Amanda and Michael . **Good estate of** Krastyo, Tom, Michael, Martin, Matthew, Nicoletta, Carmen and Nathan.

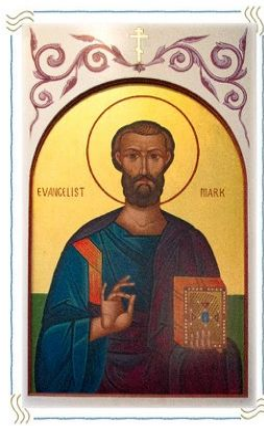
Thekla's, III
Myra;
Michael,
Anthony,

Departed: *Newly departed* John, Esther. *Departed* Archpriests Stephen and Vladimir.

Birthdays, Names Day and Anniversaries

Birthday: Sydney Anna Regen, 8/5; Dmitri Sosedov 8/6, Father Michael Sekela 8/10

Wedding Anniversaries: Stephen and Laura Sedor 8/5



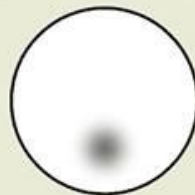
Ancient Christological Heresies

GOD

Docetism: Christ was a phantasm and was not actually a physical being, thus His death on the cross was an illusion too.



Monophysitism: Christ had only one nature (Divine) which subsumed the human nature

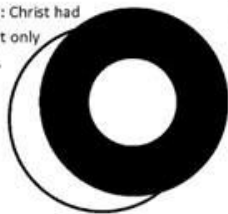


Modal Monarchianism: God is singular and wore the mask of humanity while appearing as Christ. also called Sabellianism



These 3 overemphasize the unity of the God-head

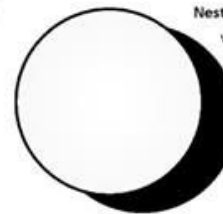
Monothelitism: Christ had two natures but only one Divine will.



Apollinarianism: Christ had a human body and human emotions, but he had the nous of God.



Nestorianism: Christ was two persons combined, not one person with two natures.



Adoptionism: Christ was human and chosen by God to become God at some point during his physical existence. Also known as Dynamic-Monarchianism



Psalanthropism: Christ was merely a man, never divine.



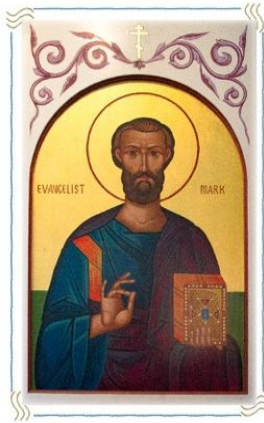
Arianism: Christ was a created being, not of equal divinity with God the Father.



These 3 deny the true Divinity of Christ and are thus Subordinationist

The Orthodox Teaching on the Dual Natures of Christ is very difficult to display on a chart. This mystery of the Church states that Christ has a fully Divine Nature and a fully human nature, but He is a single Person. He is both God and man without confusion, without change, without division, without separation. Both natures remain intact while existing in one Person, that of the Second Person of the Holy Trinity.

MAN



Dormition of the Mother of God

Schedule of 2018 Supplication Services

**All services will begin at 4:00 p.m.
Please join us at:**

- 8/5 Sts. Peter & Paul Albanian Church
9230 Old Bustleton Avenue, Phila., PA 19115**
- 8/12 Descent of the Holy Spirit Romanian Orthodox Church
1323 Ashbourne Road, Elkins Park, PA 19027**
- 8/19 St. Vladimir's Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral
6740 N. 5th Street, Phila., PA 19126**
- 8/26 St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church
506 Stahr Road, Elkins Park, PA 19027**