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NEWBURYPORT, MASSACHUSETTS**



S H I N I N G F O R T H T H E G O O D N E W S

## A Message from the Priest

May 2011

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

**Χριστος ανεστη! Christ is risen!**

This glorious greeting rings out of our hearts for these 40 days of celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord from the dead. As Orthodox Christians we cannot get enough of these glorious words. We are drenched in the light of victory: Christ has transformed suffering and death, seeming defeat, into victory over sin and death. He was taken into the realm of death as a mortal and destroyed it as God. He has transformed all our joys and our sorrows into light and life. The new life we see emerging all around us should remind us each day of our Lord's victory and encourage us to live that new life, the life of God himself.

After the rigors of Lent and Holy Week and the celebrations of Pascha, the month of May seems rather quiet. Our attention as a parish turns to other activities, especially preparing for our Grecian Food Festival which is coming up at the end of July. There is a lot of work to do for the next three months and we all have to remember that this is a Parish Family activity and does not belong exclusively to the Festival Committee. In fact, the Festival Committee consists of everyone who comes to the meetings—

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no one is excluded!

This May is also a very special time for our Parish Family and a milestone for a special person in our Family. Our of three years, Michael Marcantoni, will be ordained to the Holy Diaconate on Saturday, May 7, at the Chapel of the Seminary in Brookline MA by His Eminence Alexios of Atlanta. Axios! We pray that God will give Michael and Katerina much grace in their new roles in the Body of Christ, and that they will take fond memories of our Parish Family to their new one when Michael will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood. We are hoping that they will be able to finish out their last few weeks in New England with their Parish Family.

May also brings the beautiful celebration of Mothers' Day. Our thoughts turn to our own mothers, whether we still enjoy their presence with us, or they have gone to their rest and pray for us before the throne of God. From our earthly mothers our thoughts rise to remember our Holy Mother, the Church, who has given birth to us spiritually in the womb of the baptismal font. How do we treat this spiritual Mother? Do we care for her and provide for her needs? Or would we prefer to be "emancipated" from her care? Mothers' Day gives us opportunity to reflect on our relationship with this Mother as well. And finally, our thoughts are also directed to the Mother of us all, the most holy Theotokos. On the Cross our Lord entrusted his Mother to his disciple, St. John, and through this, he entrusts her to all the faithful as our own Mother. Run to her in joy and in sorrow to speak with her as you would your own mother. Never be afraid to approach her as a mother, and remember that, as the hymn says, she is the one "with the motherly power" with her son. May God bless us in this beautiful month.

**Χριστος ανεστη! Christ is risen!**

*Fr. Constantine Newman*

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# Liturgical Schedule



## SUNDAY SERVICES

No Orthros

Divine Liturgy 9:30 am

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### Sunday, May 1

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of Thomas

1<sup>st</sup> Morning Gospel

Epistle: Acts 5:12-20

John 20:19-31

### Sunday, May 8

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women, Joseph of Arimathea and Nikodemos

The Holy, Glorious and Great Apostle and Theologian John

2<sup>nd</sup> Tone 4<sup>th</sup> Morning Gospel

Epistle: 1 John 1:1-7

Gospel: Mark 15:45-47; 16:1-8

### Sunday, May 15

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Paralytic

3<sup>rd</sup> Tone 5<sup>th</sup> Morning Gospel

Epistle: Acts 9:32-42

Gospel: John 5:1-15

### Saturday, May 21

The Holy, Glorious and God-Crowned Kings and Equals to the Apostles Constantine and Helen

Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Epistle: Acts 26:1-12, 20

Gospel: John 10:1-9

### Sunday, May 22

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

4<sup>th</sup> Tone 7<sup>th</sup> Morning Gospel

Epistle: Acts 11:19-30

Gospel: John 4:5-42

### Sunday, May 29

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Blind Man

Plagal 4<sup>th</sup> Tone 8<sup>th</sup> Morning Gospel

Epistle: Acts 16:16-34

Gospel: John 9:1-38

### Wednesday, June 1

Vesperal Liturgy of the Ascension of our Lord 6:30 pm

Epistle: Acts 1:1-12

Gospel: Luke 24:36-53

### Sunday, June 5

The Holy Fathers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ecumenical Council at Nicaea

Plagal 2<sup>nd</sup> Tone

Epistle: Acts 20:16-18, 28-36

Gospel: John 17:1-13

### Sunday, June 12

The Sunday of Holy Pentecost

Epistle: Acts 2:1011

Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12

Vespers of the Holy Spirit (Kneeling Prayers)

around 12:15 pm (after Fellowship)

### Sunday, June 19

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Matthew

Sunday of All Saints

Plagal 4<sup>th</sup> Tone

Epistle: Hebrews 11:33-12:2

Gospel: Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30

### Sunday, June 26

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Matthew

1<sup>st</sup> Tone

Epistle: Romans 2:10-16

Gospel: Matthew 4:18-23

## Prosforo: An Offering of Faith

Of the many ways of supporting our Church, there are few which stand out as uniquely personal offerings of faith. The offering of Prosforo bread for the Divine Liturgy is one of them. We are thankful to all who have faithfully fulfilled this responsibility and invite more of our faithful to make this a part of their lives as well.

### *Prosforo Schedule*

May 1	Lisa Housianitis	June 5	Andrea Jones
May 8	Kathy Tsiantas	June 12	Lisa Housianitis
May 15	Stella Andriotakis	June 19	Kathy Tsiantas
May 22	Anna Chetsas	June 26	Stella Andriotakis
May 29	Tina Klidas		

Joanna Tsiantas is responsible for the Prosforo Schedule. If you have any scheduling conflicts or requests, need to have the Prosforo brought to the church early Sunday morning or wish to add your name to the schedule, please contact Joanna at (978) 465-1405.

## A Message from the President

May 2011

Dear Parishioners

Christos Anesti! Hoping all had a very joyous Easter. The church is still showing remnants of a beautiful Holy Week that was well attended. Thank you to all who assisted in making this season a very special one.

Spring has sprung and along with it we are trying to spruce up our church and make some long awaited repairs and facelifts. Lots of things are going on in the church right now – new AC units, roof repairs, the completion of painting in Nicholson Hall – look great!

We all know what follows Spring – Summer! Summer brings to mind only one thing at church – the Festival! The first Festival meeting was held this week- thank you to those who attended. I would like to extend an invitation to everyone to attend the meetings – as we all know – the more volunteers we have, the more successful the Festival will be for our whole parish. If everyone can share just 2 hours with us, we will all reap the rewards of a job well done!

Wishing you all a happy and healthy season.

Christos Anesti!

Joe Spaulding

Council President

# Meet the Saints of May

## May 3— *Martyrs Timothy the Reader and his wife Maura of Antinoe in Egypt (286)*

These holy martyrs were husband and wife. During the persecutions of Diocletian, the governor Arian demanded that Timothy hand over his sacred books (these were rare at that time, and as a Reader he was entrusted with their care). Timothy refused, saying that he would no more do so than a father would hand over his own children to death. He was brutally tortured and, when he refused to yield, the governor summoned Timothy's wife Maura, thinking that she would urge her husband to bow to the idols, but instead she confessed herself to be a Christian too. She in turn was subjected to many tortures, and finally the couple were crucified facing one another, where they hung for nine days, encouraging one another in the Faith, before they met their blessed end. They had been married for less than a month when they received their crowns.

## May 7— *St Alexis Toth of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania (1909)*

This light of Orthodoxy in North America was born in Austro-Hungary in 1854, to poor Carpatho-Russian parents. His father was a priest in the Eastern-rite Roman Catholic church and, following in his father's footsteps, he was ordained in 1878. In 1889 he was appointed to serve as pastor to a Uniate parish in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Prompted partly by the strong hostility of the American Roman Catholic hierarchy at that time to Eastern-rite practices, he convened a meeting of about ten Eastern-rite priests in Wilkes-Barre Pennsylvania, where the divinely-led decision was made to seek to return to the Orthodox faith. Fr Alexis contacted Bishop Vladimir of the Russian church in San Francisco, who, in 1891, received Fr Alexis and 361 of his parishioners back into the faith of their ancestors.

From that time forward, Fr Alexis worked tirelessly, at great personal sacrifice, to proclaim the truths of the Orthodox faith, especially to those still attached to its mimic, Byzantine Catholicism. For long periods of time he received little or no salary and (despite claims that he had embraced Orthodoxy to enrich himself) worked in a bakery to support himself. Through his work, thousands of Christians in North America were led into the fullness of the Orthodox Faith during his lifetime.

St Alexis reposed in 1909; He was officially glorified in 1994. his holy relics can be venerated at St Tikhon's Monastery in South Canaan, Pennsylvania.

## May 11— *Holy Equals-to-the-Apostles Methodius (885) and Cyril (869), first teachers of the Slavs*

The two saints were brothers, born in Thessalonica. St Methodius, the elder brother, served as a soldier for ten years before becoming a monk. Cyril was librarian at the Hagia Sophia in Constantinople; then he too became a monk.

Their first missionary work was not among the Slavs: When the king of the Khazars (a Mongol people who then inhabited much of what is now Russia) petitioned the Emperor Michael to send teachers to instruct his people, the Emperor chose Cyril and Methodius as his emissaries. They converted the Khazar king to the Christian faith, along with many of his nobles and commoners.

When King Rostislav of Moravia likewise sought teachers of the Christian faith, Cyril and Methodius were again sent forth. This time they devised an alphabet for the Slavic language (based on Greek but adding characters to indicate sounds particular to Slavonic), and used it to translate many of the Greek service books into the language of the people. (In theory, the Orthodox people have always been privileged to hear the Church's services in their own tongue, though often attachment to dead languages has prevented this ideal from becoming reality.) Both brothers were repeatedly attacked by Germanic priests of the region, who opposed the use of the common tongue in the liturgy. At different times, both brothers were forced to appeal for exoneration and protection to the Pope of Rome, who supported them warmly each time.

After the two Saints reposed, attacks on their work continued, and their disciples were eventually driven from Moravia. The disciples, fleeing southward, found a warmer welcome among the southern Slavic peoples, and their work bore much fruit in Bulgaria (including modern-day Serbia) and other countries. And, of course, the alphabet that they devised, called Cyrillic after St Cyril, remains the standard alphabet of both the Slavonic service books of the Church and the Slavic languages of today.

# Stewardship Report

*Let us commit ourselves and our whole life to Christ our God!*

**Our stewardship commitments (time, money, and talent) are tangible evidence of our love and devotion to God and His Church.**

## April 2011 Report

### Status as of April 17, 2011

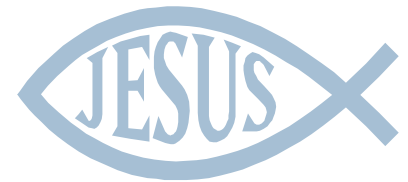
<b>Total pledges for 2011 thus far</b>	\$70,426
<b>Offerings received to date</b>	\$26,220
<b>Due towards pledged amount</b>	\$44,206
<b>Average pledge</b>	\$690
<b>Maximum pledge thus far</b>	\$3,600
<b>Minimum pledge thus far</b>	\$25
<b>Number of stewards pledged thus far</b>	102
<b>Pledge forms received, no payments</b>	tbd
<b>Pledge form received, payment current</b>	tbd
<b>Pledge form received, payment complete</b>	na
<b>Payment made, no pledge form received</b>	na

### Upcoming Stewardship Committee Activities:

- Provide stewardship envelopes in Pangari for parishioners to encourage pledging regularly and enabling their cash donations to stewardship tray to be counted towards their stewardship pledge.
- Reach out to parishioners that have left our community and find out reasons for leaving.
- Promote stewardship on church website.

*Note: Average stewardship pledge is \$690 if the pledges greater than \$3,000 are not included when calculating the average.*

*If there are any omissions or errors in the April 2011 Report, please contact John Gogolos, Stewardship Committee Chairman (978) 465-3274 <j.gogolos@comcast.net>*



### Stewardship Comparison with Past 3 Years

	April 2011	April 2010	April 2009	April 2008
<b>Pledged Amount</b>	\$70,426	\$69,747	\$75,759	\$75,212
<b>Actual Paid</b>	\$26,220	\$30,480	\$38,123	\$38,320
<b>Amount to be Collected</b>	\$44,206	\$39,268	\$37,637	\$36,982
<b>Number of Stewards</b>	102	106	132	131
<b>Average Pledge Amount</b>	\$690	\$658	\$574	\$574
<b>Maximum Amount Pledged</b>	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$3,300	\$3,180
<b>Minimum Amount Pledged</b>	\$25	\$5	\$25	\$0

## *Stewards as of 04/17/11*

Alexander, Richard  
Anderson, George and Sharon  
Andriotakis, Louis and Stella  
Angelos, William W.  
Annas, Agnes  
Argyrople, Don and Jill  
Argyrople, Nicholas and Anita  
Beck, Bruce and Kimberley Patton  
Boucher, Bonnie and Al  
Bruno, Mark and Roseanne  
Chadwick, Cathleen  
Chetsas, Leon and Anna  
Chetsas, Peter and Susan  
Christo, Julia  
Christopher, Faye  
Connor, Edmund J. III and  
    Joanna Tsiantas  
Cooper, Brendon and Jennifer  
Cusack, Michael and Dawn  
Davis, Peter and Dorothy  
Desses, John and Agnes  
Dollas, Christopher and Mary  
Dollas, Mary  
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Dussi, John and Gina  
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George, Barbara  
George, Emery and Susan  
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Gikas, Dennis and Melina  
Ginieres, Peter and Mary  
Gogolos, John and Patricia  
Gravelle, Nathan and Jennifer  
Halkiotis, Penelope  
Hansen, Eric and Diane  
Haraktsis, Anastasios and  
    Aikaterini  
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Hill, Dick and Donna  
Housianitis, Arthur and Lisa  
Housianitis, John  
Jansen, Ryan and Jennifer  
Kacher, Bill and Andrea Jones  
Kafalas, Andrew  
Kafalas, Anne  
Keefe, Zachary and Elizabeth  
Koukkos, Gabriel  
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Maistrellis-Ryng, Elisa and David  
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Maloof, Michael and Ann  
Mamakos, Cathryn  
Mamakos, Peter and Anna  
Mansour, Kristina  
Mansour, Louis and Eugenia  
Mansour, Nicole  
Mansour, Stephanie  
Mathieu, Cornelia  
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Panas, Stephen and Joanna  
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**Please Note:** If your name doesn't appear on this list that means that we have not received a stewardship pledge form for 2011.

# Donations Report

**"Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver"**

**(II Corinthians 9:7)**

Thank You (Efharisto!) for the following donations:

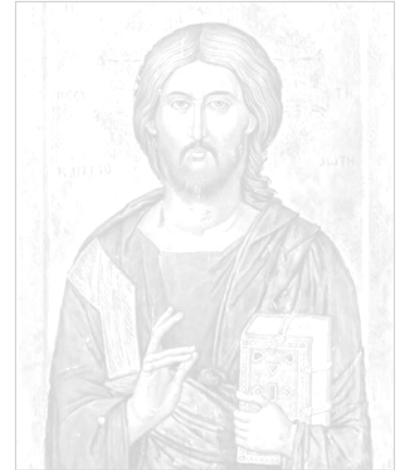
**We wish to thank those who have made recent donations the Greek Church**

**For the painting of Nicholson Hall:**

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Christus Synodinos, *Resurrection Banner*  
Edmund Connor & Joanna Tsiantas



**For Easter Needs:**

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# Parish News & Notes



## Sunday School News

Our Good Friday retreat was a huge success! Many thanks to Presbyteria and Casey for giving of their time and talents in creating the retreat. I also want to thank the members of our parish who donated sandwiches and cookies for our retreat: Anne Maloof, Joanna Panas, Angela Tsopelis, Sharon Anderson, Faye Robertson and Vikki Pomerleau. A huge thank you goes out to our outstanding Sunday School staff for all of their talents and time they gave in making the retreat and our Sunday School program the huge success that it is. I am very proud to be working with all of them!! Here is the calendar for the month of May. Certificate presentations will be June 5th. Senior celebrations will be June 12th. Please save these dates!!

### May

1	Class
8	Class
15	Class—Staff Meeting
22	Class
29	Class

## Sunday School Lenten Collection for OCMC

A few weeks ago on Palm Sunday, the children of our Sunday School brought their coin collection boxes to Fr. Constantine during the Liturgy. Father blessed the boxes for the children. Once all those little cardboard boxes were dumped out, a huge pile of coins needed sorting and wrapping. That has been completed and this year our children raised \$222 to support humanitarian efforts of the Orthodox Christian Mission Center. While the main focus of the mission center is to bring the word of God to people all over the world, they recognize that in so many places basic human needs must be addressed while we bring Orthodox Christianity to the corners of the globe. The \$222 raised by the children may be a water well in a village in Africa or it may bring much needed medicine to a remote town in eastern Europe. Whatever it is, the money will be used to help meet basic needs somewhere. Thank you to the children and their families for the Lenten sacrifices that help OCMC around the globe.

## St. Basil's Ministries Contest

St. Basil's Ministries needs a logo -- it will soon help identify the good works activities of SBM to the parish and community at large.

We are looking for artists in the parish to submit designs for the logo -- we are offering a \$50 gift certificate that can be used at any Newburyport business. Here are the contest rules.

1. Design a single color logo that identifies St. Basil's Ministries
2. Submit your design either on paper or electronically to Fr. Constantine
3. Submission deadline is April 30, 2011
4. Winner will be announced by May 30, 2011

Any questions about this contest, please contact Don Argyrople.

## Metropolis of Boston (MBC) Summer Camp 2011 (for youth ages 8-18)

Many of our youth, along with Father, Presbyteria, Don & Jill, will be attending the Metropolis of Boston Summer Camp in Contoocook, NH Session Four, July 18th-July 24th.

For more information or to register:

[www.mbcamp.org](http://www.mbcamp.org)

### MBC Summer Camp 2011 Dates

**Family Camp/Session One: June 29th-July 3rd**

**Session Two: July 4th-July 10th**

**Session Three: July 11th-July 17th**

**Session Four: July 18th-July 24th**

**Session Five: July 25th-July 31st**

**Session Six: August 1st-August 7th**

# Parish News & Notes



## Fellowship Hour Hosts Needed

We all enjoy having a cup of coffee and some delicious treats following Sunday Liturgy. It's a nice custom that reminds us to catch our breath and spend some time with friends before focusing on the demands of the week ahead. Help us keep the coffee brewing by signing up to host a Coffee Hour! Hosting a Coffee Hour is easier than you think!

Here's what you need to know:

- ◇ Choose an available Sunday on the Coffee Hour Sign-Up Sheet located in Nicholson Hall
- ◇ You can serve whatever you like or bring in these suggested basics: donuts or coffee cake, fruit, cheese & crackers, bagels & cream cheese, a gallon of fruit juice or punch, and cream for the coffee.
- ◇ The coffee and paper goods are provided by the church or you can bring your own.
- ◇ Remember to clean up afterward so the hall will be tidy for the next group or event.

For more information or to sign up for a Sunday, call Joanne Perreault at 978-388-8353 or email [The.Perreaults@verizon.net](mailto:The.Perreaults@verizon.net).

## Memorial Day 2011 Cemetery Visitation Schedule

9:00 am	Highland Cemetery
9:30 am	Oak Hill Cemetery
10:00 am	Amesbury Cemetery
10:30 am	Salisbury Cemetery
11:00 am	Quaker Cemetery
11:20 am	St. Mary's Cemetery
11:30 am	Belleville Cemetery

## Greek Food Festival 2011

### July 29-July 31, 2011

By the time you read this, the GFF will be a little more than two months away. There will be weekly meetings at 7:00 p.m. on Monday nights, with rare exceptions, in the Nicholson Hall for anyone interested in participating. As our largest fundraiser, there is a need for all of our Parishioners to contribute their time, talent and treasure to help make it a success. Shortly there will be signup sheets for the dates of the GFF as well as a calendar of food preparation workshops. In the interim, please feel free to call or email me if you would like to help in any way.

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Charlie Neos

Greek Food Festival Chairman

**Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church  
Evangelism Team Scholarship Application**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Names \_\_\_\_\_

1. Briefly identify the post high school education program you will be attending and tell us why you have chosen to enroll in this program. If you are currently a college student, tell us about your major(s) and goals.

2. Active participation in both Sunday School and GOYA during your high school years is a requirement of this scholarship. Please tell us about your participation in both Sunday School and GOYA during your 4 years of high school. Please explain any circumstances that limited your participation during your 4 years of high school. Current college student applicants, please modify this to tell us about your Orthodox parish involvement.

3. Please summarize your record of community service in the church community and your school or home community. Select one experience to tell us how this has had an impact on your life.

Responses to the above questions should be typed and attached to this application

Please submit one or more letters of reference. Your references should be about parish involvement and community service.

Please submit this completed application to Fr. Constantine Newman by Sunday  
May 22, 2011.

\_\_\_\_\_

signature

\_\_\_\_\_

date

## Leonidas and Anna Chetsas Scholarship Gift

\$500

The following is a list of criteria for a qualified applicant:

1. Applicant is an Orthodox Christian engaged in the life of the Annunciation Parish and applicant (or parents/guardians) has been a steward in good standing of the Parish for at least two years before applying.
2. Applicant is a high school senior who is matriculating into a 4 year, degree-granting, accredited college/university in the United States.
3. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen.
4. Applicant demonstrates commitment and service to the parish community.
5. Applicant demonstrates solid high school academic performance.

Completed applications must be submitted to Fr. Newman no later than **Sunday, May 30, 2011**.

### Application

## Leonidas and Anna Chetsas Scholarship Gift

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Nbr: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Intended College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Rank # \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ (total graduating students)

List the activities in which you have been involved within the parish community (Sunday School teacher; altar boy; GOYA; choir; help with the Greek Festival, etc.).

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Our Orthodox Faith is ancient, yet modern, highly relevant to our lives today, right here, right now. It is not something that we practice on Sundays alone but each day. Our friendships, values, hopes, dreams, goals, and our relations with everyone in our lives— all these things should be permeated and informed by our relationship with God.

**Essay:** On a separate sheet of paper, please answer the following question in 500 word or less.

*How has your Christian faith and the Annunciation parish family affected and influenced your life thus far, and as you prepare for your transition to college and beyond, how will you strive to make your faith “live” and play a strong role in your life?*



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# MAY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Greek Food Festival 2011 Mgt 7:00 pm	3 Ladies Aid Mtg 7:00 pm	4	5	6	7
8 Divine Liturgy 9:30 am	9 St. Basil's Kitchen  Festival Mtg 7 pm	10 Parish Council Mtg 7 pm	11	12	13	14
15 Divine Liturgy 9:30 am  Evangelism Committee Mtg	16 St. Basil's Kitchen  Festival Mtg 7 pm	17	18	19	20	21 The Holy, Glorious and God-Crowned Kings and Equals to the Apostles Con- stantine and Helen Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
22 Divine Liturgy 9:30 am	23 St. Basil's Kitchen  Festival Mtg 7 pm	24	25	26	27	28
29 Divine Liturgy 9:30 am	30 <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b> See schedule p 10 St. Basil's Kitchen Choir 7 pm	31				

# JUNE 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Ladies Aid End of Year Celebration	3	4
5 Divine Liturgy 9:30 am  Last Day of Sunday School	6 St. Basil's Kitchen  Festival Mtg 7 pm	7  Ladies Aid Mtg 7 pm	8	9	10	11
12 Divine Liturgy 9:30 am  Scholarship Sunday	13 St. Basil's Kitchen  Festival Mtg 7 pm	14  Parish Council Mtg 7 pm	15	16	17	18
19 Divine Liturgy 9:30 am	20 St. Basil's Kitchen  Festival Mtg 7 pm	21	22	23	24	25
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