Remember Those Who Request Our Prayers

O Divine Physician of Souls and Body, rest your healing and protecting hand upon your servants:

Joseph & Anna Hrynik, Walter Hrynik, John Hrynik, Luisa Garcia, Linda Garcia, Nena Desantos, Russell Hook, Deacon Michael Melnick, †Wilma Ihnat, Jason & Joshua Kowalczyk, Beth Hicks, †Patty Prestash, Olga Silva, Ted Bronson, Ana Maria Olvera † Msgr. Michael Nestor and Lawrence Ybarra, †Fr. Wes Izer, Art Krueger, Ilija Seat, Elaine E. and Fr. John Coleman & Carrie Thornton, †Barbara Bronson, Eleanor Shields, Teresa Rojero, Rosemary Ziarkowski, Helen Fellin, Lou Fellin, James Devlin, †Pete Nelson, Terence J. Faust, Clementina Mendoza, James Young, Cathy Simpson, †Marge Bobick, William Glenn, Dorothy Imlej, †Rev. Michael T. Bell, Mark Stefanski, Helen Dinegar, Paul John Hetherington, Hannah Joes, Fr. Fausto, Eric Shark, Kay William, Mary Ada, OFM, B.K. Burnette, Bob Sherman, Mary Kowalczyk, Kevin McBride, Lisa Kirila Mendez, Jonathan Coonrod, Sylvia Gutierrez, Elaine Brown, Linskey Family, Viviana Rodarte, Renata Paloian, OSBM, Monica Harris, Mike Little, Olga Chapkevich, Jerrine Sauntry, Alwyne Holder, Fr. Phil Acquaro, Fr. Chris Zugger, Alexandra, John Bacovcin, Anita Batean, Bonnie Bennett, Mark D. Chapa, Michael Chapa, Ed Corwin, Gerald & Helen Dunn, Elizabeth Glenn, Nikki Heminway, Virginia Hill, Sonny Hopkins, Jaclyn Lentz, Anne-Marie Krytiuk, Erica Lupe, Richard Marchant (Al & Helen Ferencz' son-inlaw), Alice Posivy (Bullock), Lara Sparling-Ott, Carley Spears, Lorraine Teeling, Henry Zugger, Yoshiko, and all in the service of our country, especially from our parish family: Scott Karnya, Sam Karnya, Adam Young, Brandon Eyres (Michael & Anne Bacovcin's grandson), Patrick Whalen (Doreene Stacy's grandson), and the Mother of Reg Parker,



Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Wilma Kafora	Oct. 1
Dominic Bronson	Oct. 5
Nathalie Antonios	Oct. 15
John Hratko	Oct. 16
Mike Hrynik	Oct. 20
Cece Forbes	Oct. 20
Emily Holzhauer	Oct. 20
Barb Little	Oct. 22
Greg Bartlett	Oct. 23
Janet Park	Oct. 25

ANNIVERSARIES

Joseph and Janice Barnes	Oct. 2
Gregory & Carole Bullock	Oct. 7
Thomas and Elizabeth McDonald	Oct. 10



Bread and salt is normally given to a Bishop visiting one of his parishes.
"Welcome to our parish Bishop John!"

October 3 - November 1, 2016

GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! *GLORY FOREVER!*





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Vince Antonios • Cal Karnya • Cathy McCormick • Liz Zackowski

Finance Advisory Council:
Cal Karnya

Sunday Divine Liturgy:
Vigil Vesper Liturgy (Saturday) at 5:00 PM
Sunday Divine Liturgy at 10:00 AM
Divine Praises at 9:45 AM

Holy Mystery of Penance:
Confessions are heard starting one hour before the scheduled Divine Liturgy is to begin for a total of 35 minutes. Confessions also available by appointment.

Chaldean Catholic Holy Liturgy: Sunday at 6:00 PM

Welcome to St. Thomas the Apostle!

Our parish community welcomes all those visiting with us today. We thank you for joining our community in praising the Lord as we remember His great love and mercy for us. We hope that you will join us again soon and bring a friend. If, per chance, you are looking for a spiritual home based on the Sacred Scriptures, the teaching of the Apostles, the ancient Church Traditions in the context of a liturgical life and fellowship, please consider our parish! Speak with Father Michael or Deacon Michael if you would like more information.

Liturgical Schedule

21st Week after Pentecost
Monday **October 3**
Funeral Service for Marge Bobick (Mary Margaret Bobick)
Part 1: Parastas 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday **October 4**
Funeral Service for Marge Bobick (Mary Margaret Bobick)
Part 2: Funeral Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
1 Cor. 15: 39-45 and John 5: 24-30
Intention - Marge Bobick

Wednesday **October 5**
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy for
The Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas 7:00 p.m.
1 John 1:1-7; James 1:1-12; Jude 1-7, 17-25
1 Corinthians 4:9-16 and John 20:19-31
Intention - +Fr. Wes Izer by Fr. Wes' estate

Saturday **October 8**
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 p.m.
Intention - Msgr. George Vida by Msgr. George Vida

21st Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday **October 9** **Tone 4**
Liturgical Hymns 9:45 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Galatians 2:16-20 & Luke 7:11-16
Celebrant: Bishop John Pazak Welcome!
Intention- Parishioners of St. Thomas
Potluck Sunday

22nd Week after Pentecost
Wednesday **October 12**
Holy Martyrs Probus, Tarachus and Andronics. Vernerable Father Cosmas, Bishop of Maium, the Hymnographer. Holy Father Martin, Bishop of Tours.
Divine Liturgy 7:00 p.m.
Colossians 3:17 - 4:1 & Luke 8:22-25
Intention- +Thomas A. May & +Immaculata May by Patricia Petteruti

Thursday **October 13**
Holy Martyrs Carpus, Papilus and Agathonica
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Colossians 4:2-9 & Luke 9:7-11
Intention- +Msgr. Michael Nestor by Peter & Amanda Broznak

Saturday **October 15**
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 p.m.
Intention - Special Intention by Anonymous

Sunday of the Fathers at the Seventh Ecumenical Council
Sunday **October 16**
Third Hour 9:45 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Galatians 6:11-18; Hebrews 13:7-16; Luke 8:5-15; and John 17:1-13
Intention- Parishioners of St. Thomas
Panahida for +John Bacovcin

23rd Week after Pentecost
Monday through Friday ***October 17 through 21***
Clergy retreat - no services

Saturday **October 22**
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 p.m.
Intention - Carole Bullock by Doreene Stacy

23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday **October 23** **Tone 6**
Holy Apostle James, the Brother of God
Third Hour 9:45 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Ephesians 2:4-10 & Luke 16:19-31
Intention- Parishioners of St. Thomas

24th Week after Pentecost
Wednesday **October 26**
Holy and Glorious Great-Martyr Demetrius. Great and Fearful Earthquake of Constantinople, 740 AD
Divine Liturgy 7:00 p.m.
2 Timothy 2:1-10 & John 15:17 - 16:2
Intention- +D. Frank Park by Florence Park

Saturday **October 29**
Vigil Vespers Divine Liturgy 5:00 p.m.
Intention - Pani Betty Kirila by Doreene Stacy

24th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday **October 30** **Tone 7**
Third Hour 9:45 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Ephesians 2:14-22 & Luke 8:26-39
Intention- Parishioners of St. Thomas

25th Week after Pentecost
Tuesday **November 1**
Blessed Martyr Theodore Romzha, Bishop of Mukachevo (Transferred from Oct. 31)
Divine Liturgy 7:00 p.m.
Philipians 3:7-11 and Luke 22:24-30
Intention- Joann Millet by Joe Barnes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME BISHOP JOHN! Today, we are pleased to welcome our new bishop for his first visit to our parish during our Potluck Sunday. Bishop John Pazak was the Bishop of Saints Cyril and Methodius Eparchy in Toronto, Canada for fifteen years before being enthroned as our new bishop on July 20. May the Lord grant Bishop John many happy and blessed years!

NUTS AND BOLTS: Ever wondered the logic behind which Cherubic Hymn ("Let us who mystically....") we are supposed to sing? If there is a feast day, the Cherubic Hymn should always match what we sing for our Communion Hymn. For instance, if we will be singing the "B" melody for the Communion Hymn, we should sing the "B" melody for the Cherubic Hymn and the "We praise you..." Anamnemsis Acclamation hymn after the Consecration and before the Epiclesis.

ONLINE CLASSES: The "Fall 2016 Online Adult Education Classes" are in full swing. We began watching a class at our hall last week. It is an opportunity to share in this in a more social setting with one another while we engage the online class material. We plan to continue with Tuesday nights in the hall from 7pm to about 8:15pm on Oct. 4, 25, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, and Dec. 13. On Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7pm, Fr. Michael will give his class at the hall on the Traditions of Christmas and Theophany while it is broadcast on the same online format.

If you are not able to come to any of these classes at church but would still like to register, you can still do so. The second round of classes does not begin until November 8 and there are individual, one-time classes on various Thursdays. With a connection to the Internet or by dialing in through a toll-free phone, you can access these classes which are held from 7:00-8:00pm or 8:00-9:00pm depending on the time zone and time of year. Flyers with more information are available in the narthex. For more information and registration, visit: http://eparchyofphoenix.org/faith_formation.html

CALLING FOR SUGGESTIONS: This year, we are exploring a bibliography of resources (books, DVD's, CD's, multimedia, internet, etc.) for instructing our children and youth. If you have suggestions of resources for Kindergarten through 12th grade that you think would be useful for teaching our Eastern Catholic Faith, please send an email to Kris Forbes at kris@krisforbes.com or to Fr. Michael at saint.thomas.pastor@gmail.com. Thank you!

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Deacon Michael Melnick has begun a new chapter of his life as a monk at our monastery of Duchovny Dom in Oregon. He was ordained a deacon here at our parish in September 2014. As with anything new, prayers are always helpful in transitions so please remember to pray for him.

TOURS AND DIVINE LITURGIES - On Thursday, October 13, 2016, we will have a tour of our Byzantine Catholic Church here at St. Thomas for homeschoolers and families who are primarily unfamiliar with our Byzantine Catholic Church. The morning will begin with a 15 minute tour and introduction at 10am followed by the Divine Liturgy. Afterward, there will be opportunities for answering further questions. In addition, Seton Catholic Prep School will be sending one group of their students to meet here on Nov. 3 at 7:45am and the other group on Nov. 4 at 7:45am for Divine Liturgy and a short tour. Parishioners who wish to join us for any of these three days are welcome.

SILENT AUCTION AND OKTOBERFEST - Letters are still available for requesting donations. Tickets are available: $12 for adults and $8 for children. Also needed are items for the children's table such as toys and games. Please see Liz Zackowski or Martha Coonrod if you have any questions or would like to help. The date for the Oktoberfest is Saturday, October 22.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: We are tentatively planning October 29 to have a kitchen tutorial at 3pm. This will be an orientation of our kitchen, organization, how to set up for coffee socials, and cleanup expectations. We need people to RSVP by October 23 to Liz at lizzack74@gmail.com or call her at (480) 759-1070.

