

## St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church

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**Sunday, August 25, 2013**

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost;** Transfer of the Relics of the Apostle Bartholomew of the Twelve (+6th c.); Apostle Titus of the Seventy, Bishop of Gortyna, Crete (+107); Menas, John the Cappadocian, Epiphanius, and Gennadios II, Patriarchs of Constantinople (+6th c.); Barsis and Eulogios, Bishops of Edessa

The Bread of the Offering (*Prophoro*) was prepared by Angie Lewis.

Parish Council Ushers: Craig Clawson / Zach Sideris / Chris Tsardoulis

Community Ushers: Parish Council

### The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

#### Hymns of the Entrance



Resurrectional Hymn (Plagal of the Fourth Tone)

From on high did You descend, O Merciful Lord. For us did You endure three days in the tomb, that we may be released from passions in this world. You who are our resurrection and our life, glory unto You, O Lord.

Entrance Hymn (Second Tone): Come, let us bow down to Christ, as we worship Him, the Son of God. Save us, O Son of God, who are risen from the dead. We sing to You, "Alleluia!"

Resurrectional Hymn (Plagal of the Fourth Tone) - Repeat

Hymn of the Holy Apostles (Third Tone)

O Holy Apostles, intercede to our merciful God, that He may grant our souls remission of sins.

Hymn of St. John the Baptizer (Second Tone)

A righteous man is remembered with praise, for you Forerunner the Lord's witness is enough. You were shown to be greater in honor than the prophets, for you were privileged to baptize in the stream the One you had foretold. Therefore, rejoicing, you suffered for the sake of truth, and you proclaimed the good news to those in Hades, that God had appeared in the flesh to take away the sin of the world, and grant our souls His great mercy.

*Kontakion* Hymn of the Nativity of the *Theotokos* (Fourth Tone)

By your holy birth-giving, O pure one, Joachim and Anna were delivered from the reproach of barrenness; Adam and Eve were delivered from the corruption of death. Your people do celebrate it, having been saved from the stain of iniquity, crying unto you, "The barren one gives birth to the *Theotokos*, who nourishes our life."



#### The Readings

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17 (p. 181 in the pew Bibles)

Reader: Emmanuel Vlassakis

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-34 (p. 17 in the pew Bibles)

**Welcome, Visitors!** Please join us today for the Greek Festival at the Canfield Plaza (85th & Center) until 7:00 p.m.

**Church School** classes will resume on Sunday, September 8. Registration forms are now available in the narthex.

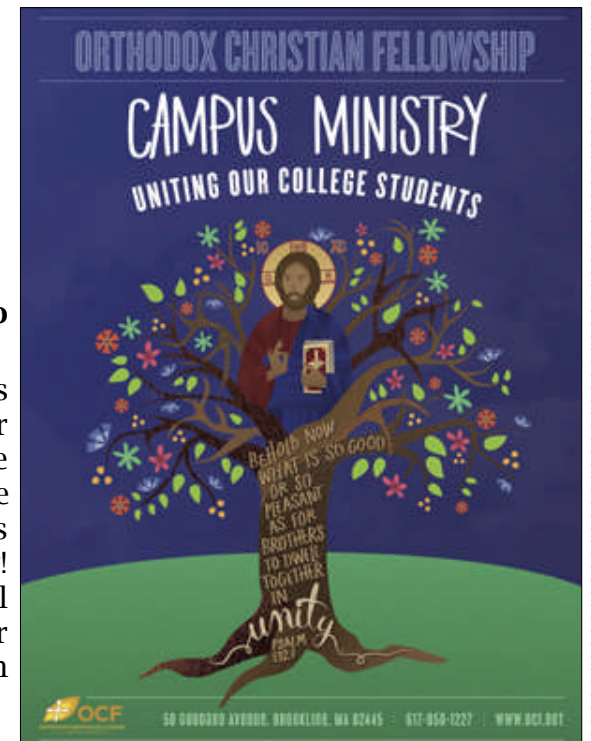
**Pray Healing** for Danny (Dionysios) Poulos and John Argyrakis.

**Beheading of St. John the Baptizer:** We will offer the Divine Liturgy on Thursday, August 29, 10:00 a.m. This feastday of our patron saint is also a day of fasting.



**Invite Family, Friends, and Students to Church on September 15th!**

St. John the Baptist is joining thousands of other churches across America for "Back To Church Sunday" and "College Student Sunday" - a special day where we will invite family, friends, and neighbors in our community to give church a try! On this Sunday, we will extend a special welcome to our guests as they join us for the Divine Liturgy and a luncheon following in the fellowship hall.



***Looking Ahead ...***

Today	8/25	Greek Festival at Canfield Plaza	12:00 noon
Thursday	8/29	Divine Liturgy (Fast Day) Beheading of St. John the Baptizer	10:00 a.m.
Saturday	8/31	Russian Orthodox Reader's Vigil	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	9/1	Matins (Ushers: Team A) Divine Liturgy ( <i>Prosporo</i> : Denise Markopulu) (Ushers: Helen Murray & Steve Nick) Ecclesiastical New Year	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.