

St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church

602 Park Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska

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Sunday, November 6, 2011

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost; St. Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Constantinople (+350); Venerable Luke of Sicily (+820); Righteous Barlaam the Wonderworker of Khutyn, Novgorod (+1192); Herman, Archbishop of Kazan (+1567)

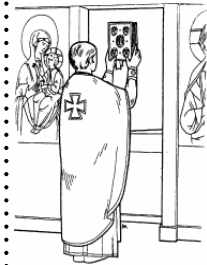
The Bread of the Offering (*Prosporo*) was prepared by Helen Nick.

Parish Council Ushers: George Barelos / Elizabeth Haddad / Elaine Poulos / Judy Stom

Community Ushers: Parish Council

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Hymns of the Entrance



Resurrectional Hymn (Fourth Tone)

When the tidings of the resurrection from the glorious angel was proclaimed unto the women disciples and our ancestral sentence also had been abolished, to the Apostles with boasting did they proclaim that death is vanquished evermore and Christ our God is risen from the dead. He granted to the world His great mercy.

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 (Fourth Tone) - Repeat

Hymn of St. Paul the Confessor (Third Tone)


Your confession of divine faith showed you to be for the Church another Paul the Apostle. Abel cries out to the Lord together with you, as does the righteous blood of Zechariah. O venerable father, entreat Christ our God to grant us His great mercy.

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, being privileged to baptize in the stream the One you had foretold. Therefore, rejoicing, you suffered for the sake of truth, and 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.

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PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

At the Autumn Parish Assembly, parishioners will ratify nominations for the election of candidates to the 2012 St. John's Parish Council. To assist the assembly in finding parishioners willing to serve on the Parish Council next year, please review the information below and consider placing your name in nomination to serve on the Parish Council. The term of service for a member of the Parish Council is three years. Three or four members of the council are elected each year to maintain a rotating schedule of service. Four members will be elected this year.

Qualifications to serve as a member of the St. John's Parish Council

1. A parishioner must be a communicant member in good standing in terms of sacramental life, canonical standing, and stewardship obligations.
 - Sacramental Life – must attend church services regularly and participate in the sacraments, including Confession and Holy Communion; uphold the teachings and traditions of the Orthodox Church.
 - Canonical Standing – if married, marriage must be blessed by the Church; if divorced, must have an ecclesiastical divorce; may not be living together outside of marriage or in any other relationship contrary to the teachings of the faith.
 - Stewardship – must be a steward of the St. John Parish for at least one year prior to the date of election.
2. If elected, Parish Council members are required to take the following affirmation: "I do solemnly affirm that I will uphold the dogmas, teachings, traditions, holy canons, discipline, worship, and moral principles of the Greek Orthodox Church, as well as the Charter and Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, and that I will fulfill faithfully and sincerely the duties and obligations required of a member of the Parish Council. So help me God."
3. All candidates must attend a seminar conducted by the priest prior to the election at which the priest will discuss the Uniform Parish Regulations and explain them to the candidates, particularly the affirmation of office.

Please prayerfully consider serving our parish as a candidate for the Parish Council this fall and contact the church office for an application.

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:Kontakion Hymn (Second Tone)

:A protection of Christians who cannot be put to shame, intercessor to our Holy Maker,
:unwavering, reject not the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for:
:you are good; Your loving help bring unto us, who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to:
:intercede and speed now to supplicate, as a protection for all time, *Theotokos*, for those:
:who honor you.



The Readings

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20 (p. 204 in the pew Bibles)

Reader: Emmanuel Vlassakis

Gospel: Luke 8:41-56 (p. 74 in the pew Bibles)

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:Welcome, Visitors! Please join us for refreshments following the Divine Liturgy:
:in the fellowship hall. Today's fellowship hour is available for a sponsor.

:Church School classes will meet following Holy Communion and end at 12:00 noon.

:Plan to attend our Fall Parish Assembly together with a *souvlaki* luncheon for a:
:free will offering today following the Divine Liturgy. Agenda items will include a:
:festival report, real property updates and developments, proposal for repairs in:
:the church, the 2012 Budget, and nominations for the Parish Council, Board of:
:Elections, and Board of Auditors. Stewards must have submitted a commitment:
:card and be current in their stewardship offerings (fulfilled at least 75% of:
:commitment) in order to vote at the Parish Assembly.

:Thanksgiving Dinner sponsored by Philoptochos will be held next Sunday,
:November 13. All workers (or anyone else) are invited to come in traditional:
:Thanksgiving garb (Pilgrim, Wampanoag, and Football).

:Say Thanks and be Giving: Our Philoptochos will distribute a limited number of:
:food baskets from the SHARE food program to neighborhood families for:
:Thanksgiving. The Thanksgiving dinner packages come with all the fixings to:
:cook a meal for six. Please contact the church office if you would like to donate:
:\$28 for a basket.

:Archangels and St. Nektarios: We will celebrate the Divine Liturgy for these feast:
:days on Tuesday, November 8 at 6:30 p.m. Those preparing to receive Holy:
:Communion should fast following a noon meal.

:Make plans now to attend the Metropolis of Chicago Western Region Family:
:Basketball Tournament, February 10-12, 2012 in St. Paul, Minnesota. For more:
:information, please contact Charlie Tsatsos. Team Spirit ... Pass it on!

:Moving? Please let us know. Contact the church office with your new address so:
:we can make sure you receive the latest news and information while saving the:
:church the cost of returned items.
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Join us for a Pan Orthodox Book Study

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Monday Evenings, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
through November 21

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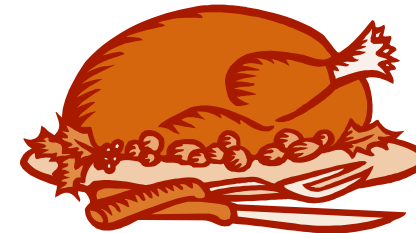
Book by the Rev. Dr. Stanley Samuel Harakas
Please contact the St. John's church office
to purchase the book (Cost: \$25). Quantities
are limited - get your copy today!



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Plan to attend our traditional

Thanksgiving Luncheon



Sunday, November 13
following the Divine Liturgy

Tickets: \$10 / adults and \$5 / children

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Explore the

GOSPEL OF JOHN

Fall Prayer Group and Bible Study

Wednesdays, 11:00 a.m.

Next Session: November 9

Looking Ahead...

Monday	11/7	Book Study	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	11/8	Philoptochos Board Mtg.	5:00 p.m.
		Philoptochos Meeting	6:00 p.m.
		Divine Liturgy	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	11/9	Prayer Group / Bible Study	11:00 a.m.
Thursday	11/10	Greek School	6:00 p.m.
Friday	11/11	Veterans Day	
Sunday	11/13	Matins (Ushers: Team C)	9:00 a.m.
		Divine Liturgy (<i>Prophoro</i> : Helen Amlin)	10:00 a.m.
		(Ushers: Parish Council)	
		Feast of St. John Chrysostom / Thanksgiving Luncheon	