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Important Dates to Remember:

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- ✝ 10/3 Soup Sale
- ✝ 10/5 No Great Vespers
- ✝ 10/6 Children's Choir Rehearsal
- ✝ 10/8 Parish Council Meeting
- ✝ 10/12 Great Vespers **3pm** followed by Cider Mill Outing
- ✝ 10/15 Right to Life Dinner
- ✝ 10/16 Begin Fall Lecture Series
- ✝ 10/18 Divine Liturgy for the Feast of St. Luke
- ✝ 10/19 No Great Vespers
- ✝ 10/20 Children's Choir Rehearsal
- ✝ 10/26 Blanket Making Day
- ✝ 10/27 Trunk –or– Treat

The Reality of Demons Demons

A message from Fr. Gabriel

Our Lord speaks to us in so many different ways in this life. When our minds are quieted, we are able to hear and feel His presence in prayer. He provides daily miracles for us, some of which we can see, and others which are hidden. He softens our hearts at certain times during the day when it is most needed. He communicates to His creation in many ways, if only we have the eyes to see and the ears to hear. This upcoming month will be no different! As our country prepares for the secular holiday of Halloween, the Church will give us some incredible reminders in the Gospel lectionary about the reality and dangers of demons and demonic possession.

While the rest of the world will poke fun of witches and devils as fictional characters, we are reminded every day through our own spiritual warfare, that Satan is an absolute reality. We see this reality and our response to him, in the baptismal service. Next time we have a baptism or a chrismation, watch the direction that the soon to be illumined is facing when they proclaim, *"I renounce Satan, and all his works, and all his angels and all his service and all his pride."* They are facing the world and spitting on Satan before they turn back and walk towards the altar of God. What a beautiful image for how we are all called to orient our own lives! We acknowledge the existence of the devil, spit on him, and then turn ourselves towards God. That re-orientation is so important for us, yet every so often in our own human weakness, we tend to peer back over our shoulder at the life that we swore to leave behind. We allow the demons to slowly enter into our lives, and we ourselves become possessed with the demons of pride, judgement, gluttony, lust, anger, and all of the rest!



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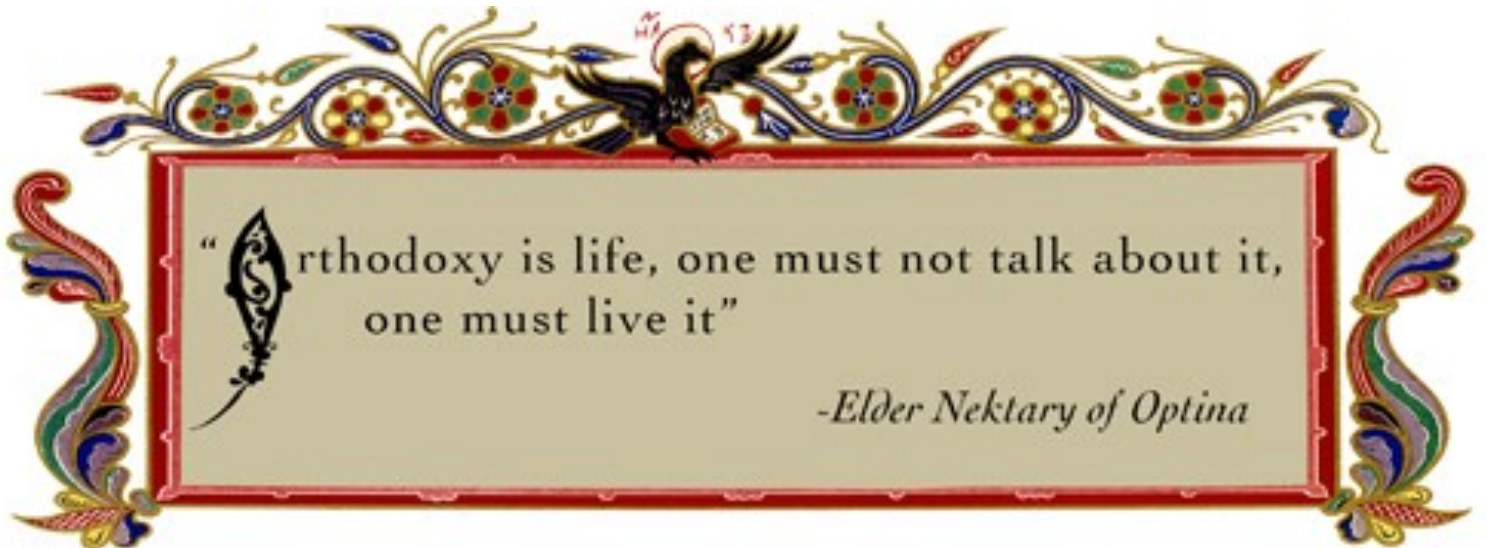
There are some of you reading this now saying to yourself: “*Father, that’s a little heavy handed*” ...but let’s think about it for a minute. How many of us can point to a time where we got angry with someone or something? In those moments, unbeknownst to us in the moment, we act as if we have become demon possessed! We change our physical appearance as our face becomes red and scrunches together. We do irrational things that we would never do. We say things that we would never say. How many times have we put our foot in our mouth, in response to anger at someone or something?



Depending on the duration and situation of the possession, the demon of anger, even if it is just for a short time, can destroy careers. It can rip apart relationships. It can even destroy families...all because for a single moment, we turned and let the devil reign. How many wars have been started? How many innocent people have lost their lives because of men and women who have been possessed by one of the demons of anger or greed? You want scary stuff this time of year? Find me a haunted house that can destroy the world, the way that the demons can!

It is of the utmost importance that we keep the door of demons behind us shut and spend our lives letting the virtuous light of the Altar shine. If there are areas in your God-given conscience that you know need to be addressed, pick one of them and invite God in! Allow His light to more fully possess you. Grow in the acquisition of the Holy Spirit. And most importantly, ASK GOD FOR HELP IN KEEPING YOUR FOCUS FORWARD! We heard in the Gospels: “*Ask and it will be given to you. Seek and you will find. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks, it will be opened.*” This verse does not work when we ask for the winning numbers of the power-ball! Those verses only work when we seek virtue, when we orient our lives towards Christ, and when we run away from the life that we turned from in the beginning.

May we all become more vigilant of our own personal demons which seek to do us harm, and more willing to ask God for his help in becoming conquerors of our passions!



Creating a Vision for our Little Church in the Woods

During the month of September, the architect had a meeting with Fenton City Officials to discuss the various procedure and zoning requirements that would be needed for a future expansion. There will be another meeting of the building committee, the city, and the architects happening sometime over the next few months.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SERVE!

Parish Greeters

October 6th:
David & Cindy Wlech
October 13th:
Scott & Tina Shephard
October 20th:
Elaine Boucher
October 27th:
David & Cindy Welch

Coffee Hour Volunteers

October 6th:
Bruce & Rebecca Watson-Lazar
October 13th:
David & Cindy Welch
October 20th:
Mark & Julie Yonan
October 27th:
Brian & Tammy Arners

Epistle Readers

October 6th:
Rdr John Auxier
October 13th:
Sbdn. Andrew Durand
October 20th:
Rdr. Nathan Auxier
October 27th:
Jenni Otis

Alternate Readers

October 6th:
Rdr. David Schutt
October 13th:
Dr. Janet Wiese
October 20th:
Rdr. John AUXier
October 27th:
Sbdn. Andrew Durand



Just a reminder to our coffee hour volunteers, please do not bring anything to share that contains peanuts or nuts as one of our children has a severe peanut allergy.

WISHING YOU MANY BLESSED YEARS!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- ✝ 2– Grayson Welch
- ✝ 3– Terri Oginsky & Rrd. Greg Jannakos
- ✝ 4– Lauren Owens
- ✝ 6– Joseph Yonan
- ✝ 8– Lori Drummond
- ✝ 10– Doug Auxier & Asher Wolf
- ✝ 14– Marisa Bailey, Tea Jonascu & Isabella Otis
- ✝ 15– Alexander Rice, Riley Wilkinson & Ireland Otis
- ✝ 16– Joyce Ballnik
- ✝ 17– Kristen Owens
- ✝ 18– Alexandra Kekel & Jack Walton
- ✝ 19– Seth Hillacker, & Oliver Senter
- ✝ 22– Jim Oginsky
- ✝ 24– Rilynn Jannakos
- ✝ 27– Joshua Brumar & Jacob Serafimovski
- ✝ 29– Brady Damic

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- ✝ 6– Jeremy & Tailor Blohm
- ✝ 9– Steven & Elizabeth Kekel
- ✝ 10– John & Brianna Walton
- ✝ 12– Theophan & Michelle Forsyeth
- ✝ 16– Rdr. Christopher & Robyn Ballnik
- ✝ 22– Ted & Inna Walls
- ✝ 26– Kurt & Ann Schutt

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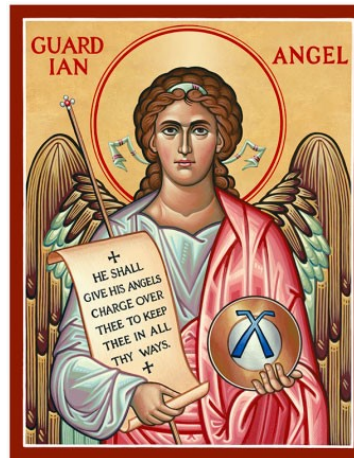
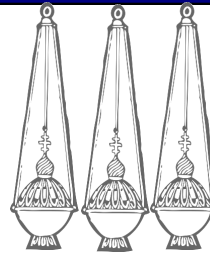
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StMaryMagdaleneOrthodoxChurch/](https://www.facebook.com/StMaryMagdaleneOrthodoxChurch/)**

This is a great way for you, your family and your friends to stay connected with your parish family and Orthodox Christian Community!

Prayer Life

Pray for our sick and suffering brothers and sisters

Metropolitan Theodosius	Noah
Metropolitan Herman	Elnora
Archbishop Melchisedek	Peter
Archpriest Dimitrie Vincent	Calvin
Deacon John Manutes	David
SubDeacon Paul Hildreth	Michael
Reader Gregory	Pulette
Matushka Vickie	Katherine
Vinne	James
Autumn	Ron
Anastasia	Pat
Alex	
Elaine	
Perpetua	
Katelyn	
Frankie	
Thom	
Damian	
Stacie	
Caolyn	
Megan	
Lon	
Ella	



This Month's Scripture Readings

October 6th:

Luke 7:11-16

John 10:9-16

October 13th:

Luke 8:5-15

John 17:1-13

October 20th:

Luke 16:19-31

October 27th:

Luke 8:26-39

Armed Forces

Matthew Beck; Air Force
 Michael Oginsky; U.S. Marines
 Patrick Tejkl; U.S. Marines
 Lindsey Cazatt; U.S. Navy
 Stephany Bishop; U.S. Navy
 Jason Wilburn; Army Rangers
 Alex Suriano; Air National
 Guard
 Dallas Watson; Air Force
 Seaphim Lazar-Watson; Air
 Force

Recently Departed

Catechumens

Jay
 Tonya
 Alyssa
 Eliana
 Adam

Mother's With

Kari

MONTHLY FORECAST

+Protection of the Theotokos Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Protection of the Theotokos will take place on Tuesday, October 1st at 10:00 AM!

+Metanoia Semester Wrap Up! The last two weeks of the Fall Semester of Metanoia will be wrapping up in early October with some interesting topics for discussion! On October 2nd, we will be discussing “Why Bad Things Happen to Good People” and the sacrament of Holy Unction. On October 9th, we will be wrapping up with a discussion on Death and the Funeral Service.

+Diocesan Conference in Fort Wayne, IN On Saturday and Sunday, October 5th and 6th, Fr. Gabriel, Dcn. Michael, and Kurt Schutt will be attending the annual diocesan conference in Fort Wayne, IN with His Eminence Archbishop Alexander. There will be no Great Vespers served on Saturday October 5th, however Divine Liturgy will be served that Sunday! Please keep our delegates in your prayers!

+Parish Fall Outing to Spicer’s Cider Mill Our annual outing to the cider mill will take place on Saturday, October 12th. Great Vespers will be celebrated EARLY on that day, beginning at 3:00 PM. We will then meet at the Cider Mill at 4:30 for a picnic and hayride! While doughnuts and cider will be offered, please bring a picnic dish to pass and share!

+Focus on Life Annual Benefit Dinner Fr. Gabriel will be offering the opening prayer at the Right to Life Benefit Dinner on October 15th, 2019. It will be held at the Captain’s Club of Woodfield on Tuesday, October 15th at 6:00 PM. If anyone would like to participate in the dinner, tickets are \$20 for a Student or \$35 for an Adult. Please see Fr. Gabriel if you would like to attend, so that he can make the reservation.

+The Beginning and the End Fall Lecture Series Beginning Wednesday October 16th and ending on Wednesday November 9th, we will be offering our Fall Lecture Series entitled “The Beginning and the End”. This will be a study on Creation and the End Times, seen through the imagery of C.S. Lewis’s Chronicles of Narnia series. The class will seek to discuss such questions as “What is mankind’s purpose in life?” “Are angels real?” “What is heaven and hell really like?”. Bishop Alexander will be joining us for the last class for a discussion on the Last Judgement and an open Question and Answer session. Mark your calendars today!

+Divine Liturgy for St. Luke We will be having the Divine Liturgy for the Feast of St. Luke on Friday, October 18th, at 10:00 AM. Please note that there are **no Great Vespers** schedule for the following day (Saturday, October 19th)

+Monthly Agape Meal and Memorial Service Schedule The monthly agape meal is schedule for Sunday, October 20th. Please bring a dish to share! On the following Sunday (October 27th), there will be a luncheon sponsored downstairs by Joseph family in memory of Andrew Joseph.

+Blanket Making Party This month’s community outreach for St. Photini is our annual blanket making for those in need. We encourage you to take these blankets home and make them together as a family but since that is not possible for all of our Parishioners we will also have time for blanket making in our education center on Saturday, October 26th before and after Great Vespers.

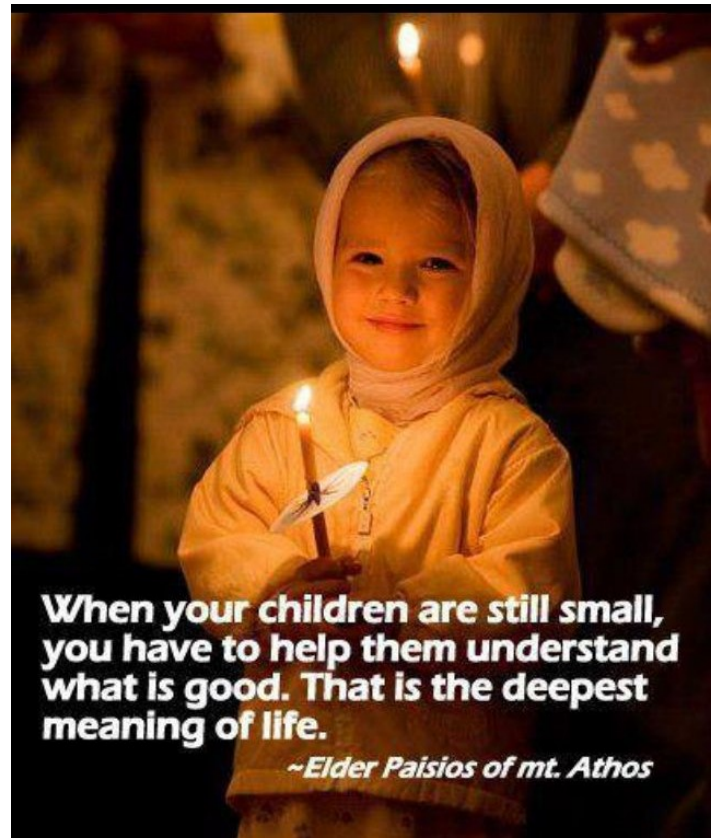
+Parish Trunk or Treat On Sunday, October 27th, we will be having our annual Trunk or Treat event out in the Church parking lot. Children are encouraged to dress up in their Halloween outfits to visit the various trunks of our cars for a special treat! Please bring a nut-free snack to share with the kids! **Parents, please do not allow the children to dress in their costumes until after the Divine Liturgy!**

Incase you missed this months
homilies visit...

[http://www.st-marymagdalene.org/
parish-blog](http://www.st-marymagdalene.org/parish-blog)



OUR PARISH YOUTH



**When your children are still small,
you have to help them understand
what is good. That is the deepest
meaning of life.**

~Elder Paisios of mt. Athos

Upcoming events:

Children's Choir Rehearsals: October 6th & October 20th

Trip to Spicer's Cider Mill : October 12th

Trunk –or– Treat : October 27th



A sincere THANK YOU to everyone who supported our annual candle fundraiser....fundraisers like this allow us to sponsor events such as the trip to the cider mill!



“FATHERS AND MOTHERS: GO AND LEAD YOUR CHILD BY THE HAND INTO THE CHURCH.” - ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Children in the Church

A Short Message from Fr. Gabriel

“Suffer little children, and forbid them not to come unto me; for such is the Kingdom of Heaven” (Matthew 19)



One of the greatest compliments that I receive from visitors and outsiders who follow our parish family is how wonderfully blessed our parish is to have so many children in Church. As one parishioner recently told me: “Even if we never had another outside soul step foot into this Church, I look around on Sundays and can see a future for the parish.”

As Orthodox Christians, there is **no greater gift** that we can give to our children than the experience of the Faith and of Christ. Regular participation in the Divine Services, whether we think that they are paying attention or not, is an absolute necessity! I cringe when I think of the world that our children are growing up into, which seems to become more backwards as the weeks go by!

With all of that being said, from the bottom of my heart, **and from the bottom of our future children’s heart**, I want to thank each and every parent who brings their children faithfully to the Divine Services. I know there are days that are difficult and you feel that you are ready to pull your hair out, but the gift you are giving them goes beyond anything that can come from this world.

There is a beautiful quote from the book *Parenting Towards the Kingdom* which says: “Just as the only way to strengthen our muscles is by stressing them, the only way for children to become strong is through struggling”. Having a difficult time in Church is a part of all children’s growth, so do not despair! May God continue to strengthen you in your efforts!

To help to aid you in your parental ministry, I thought I would offer our parish community five important reminders about children in the Church.

O-U-R Responsibility

Of course, raising children in the Church is not the sole responsibility of the parent! This is a ministry that we all share as the One Body of Christ. It is up to each and every one of us to help out, especially with those parents who are physically out-numbered! If you see a parent struggling on a particular Sunday, never hesitate to offer a helping hand! Holding a baby for a struggling mom or dad will almost always be welcome!

Noise

Our Church Sanctuary is very small, with a lot of sound reflecting hard surfaces! There are some Sundays, where 1/3 of our attending population is made up of children under the age of 12! This can typically lead to even the smallest noises becoming deafening and distracting!



For those in the congregation who have a difficult time concentrating on the Divine Services, always keep in mind that the little noises that you hear are the ones that will be singing at our funeral services **For the parents**, please remember that while a little occasional noise is ok, if one of the children is having a difficult morning, you should not hesitate to take them out behind the glass doors until they are able to settle down. Use this time to gently correct and remind them of what the behavioral expectations are in a Holy Place like the Church.

While in the Church, it is important to have the children stand at certain points in the Liturgy like the Gospel, the Anaphora, and during Communion. Have them cross themselves when they hear the words "Father, Son, and Holy Spirit".

Instead of talking out loud, encourage them to sing the responses with the choir! Remember what we hear in Scripture: *"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old, he will not depart from it!"*

Toys in the Church

Try as we might to keep their focus on the Liturgy and the Icons, there are sometimes when the situation calls for younger children to need a distraction. Some toys and books are ok to have in the Church for the little ones, but they should be limited to books and toys that are "quiet toys". There are a number of great Orthodox children's books available in our bookstore, as well as on places like the Ancient Faith Online Bookstore (store.ancientfaith.com)

Food and Fasting

Even though we have a lot of "little hungry tummies", food and drink should generally not be in the sanctuary of the Church. The exception of course is for babies and toddlers! If one of our little ones needs a small snack during Church, it is ok to take them down into the hall or outside in the vestibule. Generally, as children are preparing for their first confession (around 8 years old) they should also be learning to fast before communion like their mom and dad!

Home as a Little Church!

While all of these reminders are important, I saved the **MOST important one** for last. Our children are not going to learn how to pray and worship the Living God by just doing so for two hours on a Sunday morning. It is **imperative** that they receive this instruction at home as well!

Every night before bed, light a candle in front of an icon, turn out the lights, and say the Trisagion Prayers and the Our Father together as a family. If the children are a bit antsy because this is a new routine, pick them up and try to focus their attention on the icon. The more consistent you are with these practices, the easier it will get at home, and the better your children will be at experiencing the Divine Liturgy on Sundays!

A Prayer for Children

May our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Who loves mankind and art a most merciful and compassionate God, have mercy upon all of the children of St. Mary Magdalene parish for whom we humbly pray to You. Protect and care for them. Be their guide and guardian in all their endeavors. Lead them in the path of Thy truth, and draw them nearer to you, so that they may lead a godly and righteous life in Thy love, as they do Thy will in all things. Give them Thy Grace and mercy so that they may be patient, hard working, tireless, devout, and charitable. Defend them against the assaults of the enemy, and grant them wisdom and strength to resist all temptation and corruption, directing them in the way of Salvation. For Thou art a merciful God Who loves mankind, and unto Thee do we offer Glory, to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages, Amen.



ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP (OCF) is the official campus ministry or-

Flint OCF:

The Flint OCF unfortunately had to cancel our last couple meetings but we will be meeting again on Friday, October 4th for a big pan-OCF bonfire in Lansing, hosted by the chapter at MSU. We also are volunteering with Habitat for Humanity on November 9th, so if anyone from the church is eager to volunteer with them, please let David know between now and then. We would love to see you there!



Prayers for our college students:

Greg Auxier
Katherine Arnes
David Schutt
Katherine Schutt
Oliver Lazar Senter
Elena Bucciarelli

Zachary Wilkinson
Douglas Wilkinson
Laura Khoury
Rachael Hildreth
Sydney Wilkinson
Katerina Jonescu

Prayer of a Student

Christ my Lord, the Giver of light and wisdom, who opened the eyes of the blind man and transformed the fishermen into wise heralds and teachers of the gospel through the coming of the Holy Spirit, shine also in my mind the light of the grace of the Holy Spirit. Grant me discernment, understanding and wisdom in learning. Enable me to complete my assignments and to abound in every good work, for to You I give honor and glory. Amen.

Prayers Before Study

Most blessed Lord, send the grace of Your Holy Spirit on me to strengthen me that I may learn well the subject I am about to study and by it become a better person for Your glory, the comfort of my family and the benefit of Your Church and our Nation. Amen

Christ, the true light, who enlightens and sanctifies every person coming into the world, let the light of Your countenance shine upon me (us) that I (we) may see Your unapproachable light; and guide my (our) steps in the way of Your commandments, through the intercessions of Your all-holy Mother and of all the Saints. Amen.

Prayer After Study

I thank You, Lord our God, that again on this occasion You have opened my eyes to the light of Your wisdom. You have gladdened my heart with the knowledge of truth. I entreat You, Lord, help me always to do Your will. Bless my soul and body, my words and deeds. Enable me to grow in grace, virtue and good habits, that Your name may be glorified, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

A Month in Review:

In September, not only did we celebrate the first two major feasts of the Orthodox Liturgical year, we also had our third annual Pet blessing in conjunction with Fenton's Adopt A Pet. The blessing was a tremendous success, with our largest turnout so far! A big thanks goes out to all who participated!



Soup to-go!

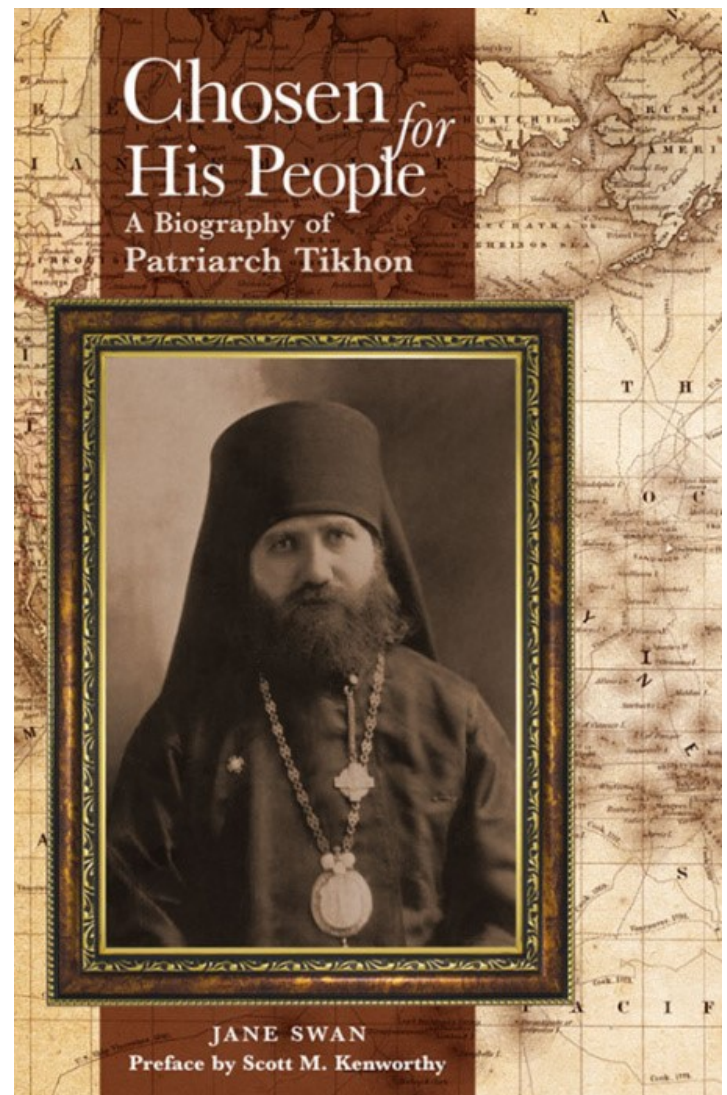
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

**PICK-UP FROM THE
PARISH PARKING LOT!**

Recommended Reading from

Fr. Gabriel

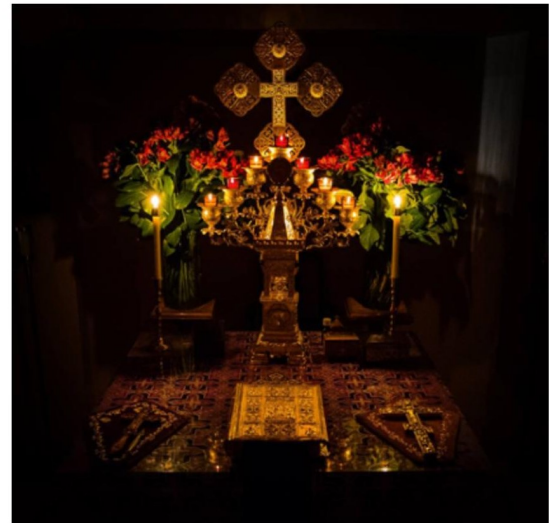
St. Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow (Vasily Ivanovich Bellavin, 1865–1925) is one of the most important figures of both Russian and Orthodox Church history in the 20th century. Yet 90 years after his death this remains the only complete biography ever published in the English language. It has now been updated and revised with a new preface and bibliography, together with revised and additional end-notes, by Scott M. Kenworthy. The biography reveals a picture of a man whom no one expected to be chosen as Patriarch, yet who nevertheless humbly accepted the call of God and the people to guide the Church during the most turbulent of times as it faced both internal upheavals and external persecution. Both specialists and general readers will become better acquainted with St. Tikhon through this modest but carefully crafted monograph.



Adult Education



"ΜΕΤΑΝΟΙΑ"
LEARNING TO CHANGE ONE'S HEART FOR GOD



In a Christian World now littered with various denominations, each teaching a different version of the same Gospel, have you ever wondered or thought about what the earliest Christians taught, how they worshiped, and what they believed? Now is your opportunity to come, discuss, and learn about the fullness of what the Ancient Christian Faith is all about!

This 7 Week Class, which covers the sacraments of the Church, will begin on Wednesday, August 28th and Conclude October 9th

Fall Semester, 2019

Wednesday, August 28th:	What Do We Gain by Baptism and Chrismation?
Wednesday, September 4th:	The Incredible Mystery Behind the Eucharist
Wednesday, September 11th:	Making an "About Face" Through Confession
Wednesday, September 18th:	The Eternality of Marriage
Wednesday, September 25th:	The Mystery of the Priesthood
Wednesday, October 2nd:	Why Does God Allow Bad Things to Happen?
Wednesday, October 9th:	What Happens After We Die: The Funeral Service

Adult Education



St. Mary Magdalene Fall Lecture Series

THE BEGINNING AND THE END

AN ORTHODOX UNDERSTANDING OF CREATION AND THE
END OF THE WORLD, USING IMAGERY FROM THE
“CHRONICLES OF NARNIA”

Join us for our Fall Adult Education Series, we will be using images from C.S. Lewis’s famous series “The Chronicles of Narnia”, to uncover the Orthodox Teachings on the Creation of the World and the Second Coming. As part of our lecture series, we will be joined by His Eminence Archbishop Alexander for a special wrap up session on November 6th, as he speaks on his translation of St. Symeon the New Theologian’s writings on Eschatology (the study of the end times).

+ Wednesday, October 16th, 6:30 PM

WHAT IS MANKIND’S ROLE IN THE UNIVERSE?

+ Wednesday, October 23rd, 6:30 PM

DO ANGELS AND DEMONS EXIST?

+ Wednesday, October 30th, 6:30 PM

WHAT DO WE BELIEVE AND KNOW ABOUT THE END TIMES?

+ Wednesday, November 6th, 6:30 PM

ARCHBISHOP ALEXANDER: “ST. SYMEON ON THE END TIMES”



St. Emilia's Moms Group

CALLING ALL MOTHERS: This group would like the participation of all mothers in the parish as they move forward in their ministry. This is a new ministerial group to our parish. For more information please reach out to Renea Becklehamer or Addie Lanterman

The group's recommended reading;

"Parenting Toward the Kingdom: Orthodox Christian Principles of Child-Rearing" by: Phillip Mamalkis

FELLOWSHIP OF ST. PHOTINI



"An inclusive opportunity for community outreach led by the faithful of St. Mary Magdalene Orthodox Church"

We need your help!!

For the month of October we will again, as a parish community, be making our Tie Blankets for those in need and cancer patients. Our goal this year is to make a total of 50 blankets! Together we can achieve this! We ask that each family take one or two blankets home to make. Please make the blankets in a pet free/ smoke free environment due to the compromised immune systems of our beneficiaries. If you cannot provide a pet free or smoke free environment please plan to join us on Saturday, October 26th either before or after Great Vespers to use the educational center to make blankets with your church family! If you have any questions regarding this outreach ministry please contact the Chair Pam Grubaugh or any member of the leadership team.

Please contact Theophan Forsyth, Terri Oginski or Rebekah Humphreys if you would like any information about upcoming projects or would like to donate to the works of the Fellowship of St. Photini.

Mark your Calendars!

Sunday, November 10th is 'Parish Ministries Sunday' at St. Mary Magdalene, come see what our parish does in our community to help those in need and sign up for a ministry that is fitting for you! You will also be introduced to ministries provided within the church. This will be a great time for families to find their niche in community giving. Brunch will be provided.



**Have you picked
up your blanket
yet?**



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Matthew 25

“For I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me....



... And the King will answer them, ‘ Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one the least of these my brethren, you did it to me’ “

“Lord, I love the beauty of Your House, and the place where Your glory dwells” Psalm 26:8

JOIN US FOR:

Parish ministries Sunday
Sunday, November 10th
Following Divine Liturgy

“Out of love for God and for each other, everyone of the members of the parish community needs to take part in the ministry of the Church”

-Fr. Gabriel Bilas

The Fellowship of St. Photini invites you to join us on Sunday, November 10th for brunch. This lay-led group will discuss what opportunities are available within our Parish for community outreach, as well as, what internal ministries are taking place within our Church. This is a wonderful event to find a ministry in which you and your family will belong.

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		1	Protection Most Holy Theotokos	2	Hieromartyr Cyprian Marts. Justina	3	Hieromartyr Dionysius the Areopagite, Bishop of Athens	4	Hieromartyr Hi- eroneus Martyrs Domnina & Berenice (Veronica)	5	Martyr Charitina Synaxis of the Hierarchs of Moscow
			Heb. 9:1-7 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28 Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A	Gal. 6:2-10 Luke 6:46-7:1 Compline, 6:00 P Metanoia, 6:30 P	Eph. 1:1-9 Luke 7:17-30 Soup Sale!	Eph. 1:1-9 Luke 7:17-30 Soup Sale!	Eph. 1:17-17 Luke 7:31-35	1 Cor. 10:23-28 Luke 5:27-32 Diocesan Conference NO VESPERS			
6	Holy Apostle Thomas St. Innocent of Moscow	7	Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus	9	Holy Apostle James St. Patriarch Tikhon	10	Ven. Ambrose of Optina	11	Apostle Phillip of the 70	12	Martyrs Probus, Tara- chus & Andronicus St. Martin, Bp. of Tour
2 Cor. 6:1-10 Luke 7:11-16 Hours and Divine Liturgy, 9:50 A Children Choir Rehearsal	Eph. 1:22-2:3 Luke 7:36-50		Ven. Pelagia the Penitent Ven. Thais of Egypt Eph. 2:19-3:7 Luke 8:1-3 Parish Council, 7:00 P	Eph. 3:8-21 Luke 8:22-25 Compline, 6:00 P Metanoia, 6:30 P	Eph. 4:14-19 Luke 9:7-11	Eph. 4:17-25 Luke 9:12-18	Eph. 4:17-25 Luke 9:12-18	1 Cor. 14:20-25 Luke 6:1-10 Great Vespers and Confessions, 3:00 P Cider Mill Outing 4:30			
13	Martyr Carpus and his Companions New Martyr Chryse	14	Ven. Parasceva of Ser- bia	16	Martyr Longinus, the Centurion Ven. Longin of Yarensk	17	Holy Prophet Hosea Relics of St. Lazarus	18	Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke	19	Holy Prophet Joel Relics of St. John of
2 Cor. 6:16-7:1 Luke 8:5-15 Hours and Divine Liturgy, 9:50 A	Eph. 4:25-32 Luke 9:18-22		Ven. Euthemius the New Martyr Lucian St. Sabinus Eph. 5:20-26 Luke 9:23-27 Right to Life Dinner, 6:00 P	Eph. 5:25-33 Luke 9:44-50 Compline, 6:00 P Fall Lecture Series 6:30 PM	Eph. 5:33-6:9 Luke 9:49-56	Eph. 6:18-24 Luke 10:1-15 Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A for the feast of St. Luke	1 Cor. 15:39-45 Luke 7:1-10 No Vespers or Confes- sions				
20	Greatmartyr Artemius Righteous Child Athemy	21	Ven. Hilarion the Great Ven. Vissarion, Sarai and Sophronia	23	Holy Apostle Jacob (James), Brother of the Lord	24	Martyr Arethas and his Companions Bl. Elessaan, Phil. 1:20-27	25	Martyrs Marcian & Martyrium St. Tabitha	26	Greatmartyr Demetrius Martyr Lupus
2 Cor. 9:6-11 Luke 16:19-21 Hours and Divine Liturgy, 9:50 A Agape Meal Children Choir Rehearsal	Phil. 1:1-7 Luke 10:22-24		St. Abercius, Equal to the Apostles, Bishop of Hieropolis Phil. 1:8-14 Luke 11:9-13	Phil. 1:12-20 Luke 11:9-13 Compline, 6:00 P Fall Lecture Series 6:30 PM	Phil. 1:20-27 Luke 11:14-23	Phil. 1:27-2:4 Luke 11:23-26	1 Cor. 15:58-45 Luke 7:1-10 Great Vespers and Confessions, 5:00 PM Blanket Making Day				
27	Martyr Nestor St. Dumitru the New	28	Martyr Terrence Ven. Job of Pochaev	29	Martyr Anastasia of Rome Bl. Mary of Mesopotamia	31	Apostle Stakrys Hiero- martyr John Kochurov				
2 Cor. 11:31-12:9 Luke 8:26-39 Hours and Divine Liturgy, 9:50 AM Parish Trunk or Treat	Phil. 2:12-16 Luke 11:29-33		Martyr 2:16-23 Luke 11:34-41	Phil. 2:24-30 Luke 11:42-46 Compline, 6:00 P Fall Lecture Series 6:30 PM	Luke 11:47-12:1						



St. Mary Magdalene's Trip to Spicer's Cider Mill

2019 Fall Outing

The Church School will once again be sponsoring a Parish Fall Outing to Spicer's Cider Mill (10411 Clyde Rd. Fenton, MI) on **Saturday, October 12th**, following an early Great Vespers at the Church! Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship!

Doughnuts and Hayride provided! Bring a side dish to share!

Schedule for Saturday, October 12th

3:00 PM: Great Vespers and Confessions at the Church

4:30 PM: Gather at Spicer's Cider Mill

5:00 PM: Snacks and Hayrides Begin

**ASSUMPTION'S ANNUAL
HARVEST FEST &**



Saturday, October 26th!

6:00 to 8:00pm

2245 E. Baldwin Rd Grand Blanc, MI

Join us for this **SPOOKTACULAR** event of costumes,
treats, and community fun!

Get those trunks decorated and ready for the kids
to visit for treats.

Activities to include:

Kid Friendly Dinner

Bounce Houses

Basketball/Football Games

Crafts

Music by DJ Popses

Trunk or Treating



Referral Program To Benefit The St. Mary Magdalene Mortgage Initiative



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