



WEEKLY BULLETIN

BULLETIN BUILDER

Saint John The Baptist Orthodox Church

October 7, 2018

Church Lectionary & Typicon



**Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
St Thecla - Equal To The Apostles**

**Epistle : 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9
Gospel : Luke 5:1-11**

Resurrectional Tone 2



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Church Services and Events

Monday, October 8

4:00PM Community Supper - Calvary/St George Church - Bpt.

Tuesday, October 9

9:00AM Stuffed Cabbage Workshop
7:00PM Moleben To St. Nectarios
7:30PM Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 10

9:00AM Stuffed Cabbage Workshop
7:00PM Adult Education

Sunday, October 14

9:00AM Divine Liturgy
10:45AM Church School

St John's Stewards

Date	Coffee Hour	Host	Hours	Epistle	Church Cleaner
Oct 14	Lomme/Mihaly		Holly	Bill	Cleaning Service
Oct 21	Porter/LeClerc		Pani Carol	Matt	Cleaning Service

2018 Parish Stewardship Offering (As of 09/16/18)

YTD: \$48,209.00 Goal: \$70,000.00

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<http://www.acrod.org>

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<http://www.campnazareth.org>

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www.facebook.com/acroddiocese

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Announcements

PARISHIONER PRE-ORDERS FOR BAKED GOODS - Must be made by today. Full payment is required with order. Ordering for public begins Monday, Oct 8th at 12:00 pm Noon.

WORKERS NEED TO MAKE STUFFED CABBAGE- We will be making Stuffed Cabbage for the Fall Slavic Food Sale this Tuesday and Wed from 9:00 am - Noon. Please add your name to sign-up sheet in Church Hall if you are able to help. Thank you

NEW: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE FUND Our monthly Property Maintenance Fund Collections are now targeted towards specific needs. As announced at the Semi-Annual Meeting we have two pressing projects at the parish Rectory: Replacing the Front Door and sidelights (Original Doors from the 1890's) and the Garage overhead doors. The total cost is approximately \$5500. (\$4000 for Front Door and \$1500 for the garage doors). Please keep this in mind when making your monthly property maintenance fund donation. The August Collection netted \$448.00. We are pleased to announce that we have received an anonymous donation of \$2100 and an additional \$2166.00 in memory of Lawrence Beck and Mildred Paproski. Additional donations of any amount will gratefully be accepted. We are most grateful to our parishioners for all their efforts in maintaining and improving our Church properties over the years. How blessed we are to have such a beautiful parish complex which is truly our little slice of Paradise, the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. AS OF 9/09/18 TOTAL = \$4,714.00.00, GOAL = \$5500. WE ARE ALMOST THERE - only \$784 to go! WILL YOU HELP US REACH OUR GOAL?

PARISH SURVEY - All parishioners have received a copy of our parish survey. As of this writing only 9 people have returned the form. Perhaps this seems like a daunting task as the form is several pages long. Feel free to fill out those areas that are applicable or for which you feel strongly about. It is to be completed by all parishioners, including youth. Please place the completed forms in the metal collection box on the candle desk or mail them into the Church by next Sunday.

ADULT EDUCATION DISCUSSION - Our Weekly Scripture Study Class has resumed on Wed Evenings at 7:00 pm. If you are unable to attend on site, please let Fr. Peter know so he can give you the credentials to participate via Video chat or phone conferencing.

COMMUNITY SUPPER - Our next meal will be Monday Oct 8th at Calvary –St George Church in Bridgeport and on Monday Oct 15th at The Lord's Kitchen, Christ Church, Stratford, CT. Please see Mary or Eve if you wish to help.

CHURCH HALL CHAIR REPLACEMENT - THANK YOU PARISHIONERS! We have purchased the new chairs and they are in the Church hall. If anyone would like to purchase one of the old metal folding chairs, please see Tom Decerbo. A donation of \$5.00 per chair is requested.

CHURCH DUES - As a reminder Church dues are \$75.00 per adult member. If you have not already paid your annual dues, please do so as soon as possible. As always if you are experiencing a financial hardship please speak to Fr. Peter so that they can be waived if necessary.

Lives of The Saints



St. Thecla the Protomartyr & Equal to the Apostles

September 24/October 7

This saint was from the city of Iconium. When she was eighteen years of age, she was instructed in the Faith of Christ and the hope of the resurrection by the Apostle Paul, whom also she followed, forsaking her betrothed and espousing a life of virginity for the sake of the Heavenly Bridegroom. Having preached Christ in various cities and suffered many things, she reposed in Seleucia of Cilicia at the age of 90.

Announcements

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - NE Deanery DDD Dinner - Sunday Oct 21 at Robertos Restaurant in Monroe, CT.

A Workshop on Raising Believing Children
Saturday, October 27 from 10am to 3pm
at Camp Nazareth, Mercer, PA

Child Care Provided
by Camp Nazareth

Lunch and
Snacks Provided

Register for the
event at acrod.org

Freewill Offering
at the Door

*Presentations and Discussions led by
His Eminence Metropolitan Gregory of Nyssa
and Very Rev. Stephen Lopusky*

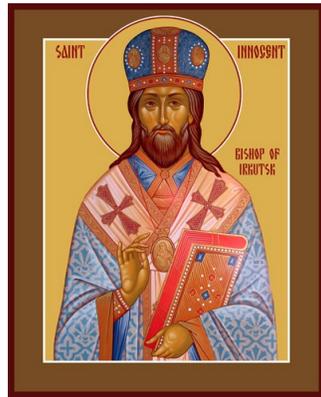
A parenting workshop on raising believing children will take place on Saturday, October 27 from 10 am. to 3 pm. at Camp Nazareth.

Presentations and discussions will be led by His Grace Bishop Gregory of Nyssa and Very Rev. Fr. Stephen Lopusky. Lunch and Snacks provided. While there is no charge, however a free will offering will be taken at the door.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Oct 12	Andrea & Jeff Stokely	Anniversary
Oct 12	Mike & Cindy Dion	Anniversary
Oct 13	Bill & Debbie Booth	Anniversary

From The Fathers – Faith and Love



Faith and love which are gifts of the Holy Spirit are such great and powerful means that a person who has them can easily, and with joy and consolation, go the way Jesus Christ went. Besides this, the Holy Spirit gives man the power to resist the delusions of the world so that although he makes use of earthly good, yet he uses them as a temporary visitor, without attaching his heart to them. But a man who has not got the Holy Spirit, despite all his learning and prudence, is always more or less a slave and worshipper of the world.

- **St. Innocent of Irkutsk**, from Indication of the Way into the Kingdom of Heaven