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Orthodoxy Sunday

Sunday March 6, 2017

Romans 11:13-14, 14:1-4, Matthew 6:14-21

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Orthodoxy Sunday Vespers today. If anyone needs a ride to Orthodoxy Sunday Vespers at St. Mary's in Johnstown, please see Fr. Matthew.

Wednesday 6:00 PM Moleban to the Cross. Study group after the service. All are encouraged to attend. We will be using the book Orthodox Spiritual Life: According to Saint Silouan the Athonite.

Friday 6:00 PM Pre-sanctified Liturgy. Confessions at 5:30 PM. Please make every effort to attend the Lenten services. Please remember there is a minimum 3 hour fast before the service if you are taking communion.

“You must bear the spiritual infirmities of your brother gladly, and without annoyance. For when someone is physically ill, we are not only not annoyed with him, but we are exemplary in our care of him; we should also set an example in cases of spiritual illness.”

+ St. Moses of Optina, *Living Without Hypocrisy: Spiritual Counsels of the Holy Elders of Optina*

“Prayer in church is important. The best thoughts and feelings come in church, yes, and the enemy attacks more violently in church, but with the sign of the Cross and the Jesus Prayer, you drive him away. It is good to stand in some dark corner in church and to pray to God. “Let us lift up our hearts!” the priest exclaims, but our mind often creeps along the ground, thinking about indecent things. Fight against this.” St. Barsanuphius of Optina

Please remember those who are ill, in homes, or not able to attend services.

Birthdays – Deb Sasala 3/8

March 18th – Women's retreat at the seminar with speaker Matushka Sophie Daniels. Please see Pani.

Youth Lenten Project - The National Junior ACRY calls upon all to aid in the Mission of our Diocesan Apostolate of Saint John the Compassionate, in the inner city of Toronto, Ontario. The National Junior ACRY hears the call from the words of Saint John and invites everyone to help fulfill command to love in action.

The National Juniors invites individual chapters, parishes, church school classes and other parish organizations to aid in this endeavor of providing for the needs of others through this Diocesan Mission during this season of Lent. Once again the John C. Kulis Charitable Foundation is offering matching funds up to \$10,000 to this project.

CENTRAL REGION DIOCESAN LENTEN RETREAT SATURDAY, March 25, 2017 9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM

AT St. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH 903 ANN STREET HOMESTEAD, PA

The 4th Annual Young Women's Encounter will take place from Sunday June 25th to Wednesday, June 28th, 2017. Please see the information downstairs on the bulletin board.

The new furnace and hot water heater were installed last week. Donations for the furnace and its installation are still being accepted. Thank you to Mike Charnego for arranging the installation.

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