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Dormition of the Holy Theotokos

Sunday August 28, 2016

1 Cor. 4 :9-16, Philippians 2:5-11, Matt. 17:14-23, Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

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FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF HOLY MARY THEOTOKOS: *Today*, Sunday, Aug. 28(15). On this day we commemorate the death of our most holy Mother. After her death, her Son took her both body and soul into heaven to dwell with Him forever. This is a preview of our own bodily resurrection at the end of the world. On this day, we bless flowers and herbs, in remembrance of the events which gave witness to Her miraculous assumption. All are encouraged to bring a bouquet or herbs to church to be blessed on this day.

WELCOME BACK OCF/IUP STUDENTS

We will have our scheduled church council meeting after the Divine Liturgy today.

The **3-D program** benefits our Camp Nazareth and other worthwhile diocesan institutions. The contribution requested to be made a Distinguished Diocesan Donor is still only \$100. With your contribution you will be invited to the annual dinner. If you wish to donate and have not done so yet, you can send your donation directly to the diocese. You should make out your check to "ACROD", and mail it to Orthodox Diocese of Johnstown, 312 Garfield St., Johnstown, PA 15906. Make sure to note that this is for the 3D program. If you wish to bring a guest to the dinner, the cost is \$30 per guest.

Strict Fast is observed on the feast of the *BEHEADING OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST*, **Sunday, September 11** (Aug. 29). Strict Fast means no meat, dairy, wine or oil. Also, in commemoration of the way that St. John was martyred, pious Orthodox will not eat from a plate but only from a bowl, will not use knives to eat with, and will not eat foods that are round or come as a 'head' (cabbage, lettuce, etc.).

Blessing of Students and Teachers – We will have a blessing of students and teachers on September 11th for the beginning of the new school year.

"For we need in this to put on our Lord Jesus, so we may be able to celebrate the [heavenly] feast with Him.
St. Athanasius of Alexandria

Birthdays – Don Shumack 8/30, Pete Urchek 9/1, Tanya Hirsch 9/2

WEEKLY SUNDAY REPORT OF INCOME AND CANDLES, 8/21/16		
Sunday Offering \$840.00	Candles \$ 57.10	
Assessment \$100.00	Pirohi \$20.00	
	Total	\$ 1017.10

Candles 8/21

- 3 – Anonymous
- 5 – In Memory of Sam, for Family, and Special Intention/ by Deb
- 5 - Steve and Lois
- 3 – Special Intention/ by Brett

"God has knowledge only of what is good, because He is in essence the nature and the knowledge of what is good. He is ignorant of evil because He has no capacity for evil."
St Maximos the Confessor

Church Slavonic Classes: Father John Brancho will offer classes in Old Church Slavonic at the Seminary on Fridays from 1 - 3:30 PM. Classes begin on September 12th through December 19th. Fee is \$200 for the fall semester for the 3-credit class. To enroll, please contact Fr. Brancho at (814) 539-5043.

Confessions – 9:00 Sunday or arranged as needed.

Sunday August 28th St. John the Baptist Church in Wilpen is having their 15th annual food fair from noon to 5:00 PM. Take-outs available. For more info see the flier downstairs or call Stevi at 724-238-2286.

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