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DON'T OVERLOOK LOCAL OPPORTUNTIES THIS SUMMER

By Rev. Fr. David G. Subu

As we begin our summer months and transition from the Paschal season to Pentecost to the Dormition of the Holy Mother of God, and the flow of daily life changes with the season and the sunlight, we should recognize that parish life also has its shifts. In previous years I have encouraged you to consider summer as a time for pilgrimage. This year, I'd like to encourage you to see and engage in the many opportunities we have locally, both in our own parish and in the national church on a regional level. Please mark your calendars and enthusiasm accordingly:

St. Mary 25th Anniversary Celebration: While we are having our main celebration in October, an elegant and more formal version of our annual Dinner/Auction (see ad on page 2.), now is the time to get involved in helping to prepare for it by being on the "D" team (see article on page 7). If party planning is not of your interest, the Church has many needs to get our parish into the best condition it can be, both physically and spiritually, for this special celebration. It is time for a renaissance in donation of time, talent, and/or treasure towards beautification… and participation with prayer in support at home and in the many special summer services we have coming up!

Doxacon (July 19-21): We have received lots of moral support and excitement from across the country (and Canada!) for this first ever special event—an examination of science fiction and fantasy literature/media through the lens of Christian faith. To be as welcoming as possible, we need manual support in the form of individuals willing to help the following: pick up speakers and out of town guests at airports, the "Fellowship of the Geeks" Hobbiton Dinner (decorating, tent/table/chair set-up, cooking, and especially cleaning) or better yet, support the conference itself by attending! Parishioners can register at the reduced rate of $50 at www.doxacon.org. The fee includes Friday evening reception/activities/vendor sales and lecture, Saturday lunch at the Hilton, and Saturday dinner at St. Mary. Registration closes on July 1st. Register as soon as possible… seating is limited! This is open to all, regardless of faith. Please speak with Daniel Silver with how you can help.

OCA Parish Ministries Conference (July 10-13): "Faith in Action: Equipping the Saints for Worship, Learning and Service." This event is being held once again in Arlington at Marymount University. Registration and information may be found at www.oca.org or through the parish office. The conference will offer a continuing education experience for lay leaders and clergy alike in a spirit of learning, common worship and prayer, ministry, and Christian fellowship." Protopresbyter Thomas Hopko, Dean Emeritus of Saint Vladimir's Seminary will offer the keynote address.

Orientale Lumen Conference (June 17-19): Held at the Washington Retreat House in DC, this is a joint conference between Orthodox and Roman Catholic scholars with much to offer. Metropolitan Tikhon will be the keynote speaker at the Wednesday evening session ($25.00 evening registration). For more info see http://olconference.com.

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St. Mary Orthodox Church

Silver Anniversary

Dinner Dance & Silent Auction

Celebrate 25 years of ministry and fellowship in Northern Virginia!

Italian Catered Dinner * Wine/Beer/Soda Dessert Frenzy * Silent Auction
DJ and Lots of Dancing * Surprises *All to Benefit St. Mary's
Age 21 and over * Details coming soon!

Saturday, October 5 at St. Luke in McLean, VA

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Vacation Bible School at St. Mark in Bethesda (July 15-18): We are encouraging our families with young children (ages 4 to rising 6th graders) to attend the Pan-Orthodox VBS at St. Mark on River Rd. (10:00 AM- 2:00 PM). Please contact Ann Prentice at 703-866-3036 or prentice@comcor.net to register (see ad on back page). If anyone is interested in carpooling from Falls Church, contact Fr. David. You can also speak to Kami Cleary for more information.

Summer Camps– We also encourage you to send your tweens and teens to a certified summer church camp program such as Antiochian Village, Camp Nazareth, or Camp Vatra. Information about any of these programs can be provided by the parish office.

May God bless you with a spiritually engaging summer!

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BE AN ADVOCATE OF GOOD SAMARITAN

By Justina Mubangu

Good Samaritan Advocates serves our low income neighbors in suburban Washington, DC who face legal problems and economic straits by providing free legal and practical guidance.

Recognizing that spiritual and emotional issues are often at the heart of legal problems, we counsel both the legal and spiritual needs of our neighbors. By showing compassion and support, our volunteers are able to meaningfully connect with clients and help them navigate through difficult legal, relational, and economic challenges in their lives.

We offer 1 hour of free, basic legal advice, such as to:

- help you understand your legal rights
- explain legal concepts related to your problem
- explain documentation or paperwork you've received
- provide advice on negotiating a dispute
- recommend action steps you can take to resolve your situation
- help you prepare for a hearing where you represent yourself
- point you to other legal resources

Our legal clinic volunteers are practicing Christians, representing various church traditions, who use their legal skills as a ministry to serve others.

If you feel this ministry is of value, please take the time to listen to a presentation given by Ken Liu and me about this organization and how you can financially support this mission on Sunday, June 2nd, following Divine Liturgy. Thank you!

GOOD SAMARITAN Advocates

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Do Justice. Love Mercy.

Clean out those closets and attics! It is time once again for the St. Juliana Guild to turn your unused items into treasure!

SATURDAY, JUNE 8 from 9:00 a.m-3:00 p.m.

We are in need for volunteers to work in small shifts to answer questions, keep piles organized and cashiering. If anyone speaks Spanish, that would be a very useful gift! We also need helpers to sort, tag, and organize the items prior to the sale. Plastic bags and vans are needed if you are willing to donate. Thank you!

Questions? Contact Sarah Zimmerli or Ellen Robinson to volunteer and to inquire about donating items.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 • 9am - 10am Baptism • 10am - 11:30am Divine Liturgy • 11:30am - 11:45am Memorial service	27 • Memorial Day	28	29 • Mid-Pentecost • 7am - 8am Divine Liturgy • 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 4pm - 7pm Office Hours • 7pm - 7:45pm Vespers • 8pm - 9pm Adult Education	30 • 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 4pm - 7pm Office Hours	31 • 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 4pm - 7pm Office Hours	1 • 5pm - 5:45pm Vespers with confessions
2 • Samaritan Woman • 9am - 10am Matins/ Choir Practice • 10am - 11:30am Divine Liturgy • 11:40am - 12:40pm Good Samaritan Advocates	3 • 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class • 7:30pm - 8:30pm Peer Depression Ministry	4 • Ss. Mary and Martha • 7:30pm - 9pm Women's Bible Study	5 • 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 7pm - 8pm Reader Vespers	6 • 10am - 12pm Office Hours • 4pm - 7pm Office Hours	7 • 4pm - 7pm Office Hours	8 • 9am - 3pm Rummage Sale
9 • 9am - 10am Matins/ Choir Practice • 10am - 11:30am Divine Liturgy • 6pm - 8pm Young in Faith @Danilchicks	10 • 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class • 7:30pm - 8:30pm Peer Depression Ministry	11	12 • Leave-taking of Pascha • 10am - 11am Divine Liturgy • 7pm - 8pm Festal Vespers with Litya	13 • Ascension • 10am - 11am Divine Liturgy	14 • Wedding (Allentown PA)	15 • Wedding (Allentown PA) • 10am - 12pm Choir Practice
16 • Fathers' Day • 9am - 10am Matins/ Choir Practice • 10am - 11:30am Divine Liturgy • 11:30am - 11:45am Fathers' Memorial	17 • Orientale Lumen Conference • 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class • 7:30pm - 8:30pm Peer Depression Ministry	18 • Orientale Lumen Conference	19 • Parish Priest Vacation June 19-28 • Orientale Lumen Conference • 7pm - 8pm Met. Tikhon	20 • Parish Priest Vacation June 19-28 • Orientale Lumen Conference	21 • Parish Priest Vacation June 19-28	22 • Parish Priest Vacation June 19-28

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 • All Saints • 9am - 10am Matins/ Choir Practice • 10am - 11:30am Divine Liturgy	1 • 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class • 7:30pm - 8:30pm Peer Depression Ministry	2 • St. John of San Francisco	3 • 7pm - 8pm Vespers with Thanksgiving service for July 4	4 • Independence Day	5 • Summer Hours start July 7!	6 • 5pm - 5:45pm Vespers with confessions
7 • St. Kyriake • 9am - 9:30am Choir /Akathist • 9:30am - 11am Divine Liturgy (Summer Hours)	8 • Sitka Icon • 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class • 7:30pm - 8:30pm Peer Depression Ministry	9	10 • OCA Parish Ministries Conf. (Marymount, Arlington)	11 • OCA Parish Ministries Conf. (Marymount, Arlington)	12 • OCA Parish Ministries Conf. (Marymount, Arlington)	13 • OCA Parish Ministries Conf. (Marymount, Arlington) • 5pm - 5:45pm Vespers with confessions
14 • St. Nicodemus Hagiorite • 9am - 9:30am Choir /Akathist • 9:30am - 11am Divine Liturgy (Summer Hours)	15 • St. Vladimir • 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class • 7:30pm - 8:30pm Peer Depression Ministry	16 • St. Julia of Carthage	17 • 8am - 9am St. Marina • 7pm - 8pm Great Vespers with Akathist	18 • St. Elizabeth the New	19 • Doxacon	20 • St. Elias • Doxacon • 7:30am - 8:30am Liturgy • 5pm - 6:30pm Vespers with Keynote
21 • Prophet Ezekiel • 9am - 9:30am Choir /Akathist • 9:30am - 11am Divine Liturgy (Summer Hours)	22 • St. Mary Magdalene • Parish priest vacation July 22-30 • 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class • 7:30pm - 8:30pm Peer Depression Ministry	23 • Parish priest vacation July 22-30	24 • St. Christina • Parish priest vacation July 22-30 • 7pm - 8pm Reader Vespers	25 • Dormition of St. Anna • Parish priest vacation July 22-30	26 • St. Jacob of Alaska • Parish priest vacation July 22-30	27 • St. Panteleimon • Parish priest vacation July 22-30
28 • St. Irene Chrysosvolantou • 9am - 9:30am Choir /Akathist • 9:30am - 11am Divine Liturgy (Summer Hours)	29 • Parish priest vacation July 22-30 • 7pm - 8pm Byzantine Chant Class • 7:30pm - 8:30pm	30 • Parish priest vacation July 22-30	31 • 7pm - 9pm Vigil with Cross	1 • Procession of the Holy Cross • Dormition Fast • 10am - 11am Divine Liturgy • 7pm - 7:40pm Paraclesis	2 • Dormition Fast • 7pm - 7:40pm Paraclesis	3 • Dormition Fast • 3pm - 4pm Baptism • 5pm - 5:45pm Vespers with confessions

GOD GRANT YOU MANY YEARS!

June Birthdays
Andrew Tan
Alex Woglom
Brian Schmalzbach
Chris Kozemchak
Daniel Martin Jacobson
Elaine Ivascu
Grace Subu
Iona Lutai
Jonathan Chaves
John Dujmovic
Julia Yuskavage
Mariel Tan
Maximus Masick
Nathalie Spita
Nathan Birchfield
Nina Apodaca
Paula Rosca
Preoteasa Stephanie Subu
Rachel Marie Jacobson
Stephen Zimmerli

June Anniversaries
10 Brian & Alexandra Schmalzbach

June Name Days
4 Feast of the Holy Spirit: Grace Subu
8 St. John of Kronstadt: Jonathan Jacobson.
24 St. John the Baptist: John Grecco
28 St. Jerome: Jerry Rij
29 St. Peter and Paul: Protodeacon Peter Danilchick; Master Pete Schmalzbach

HOLY BREAD BAKER

Prosphora baker needed for July

EPISTLE READER

Subdeacon Eugene Huang-June
Reader needed for July

July Birthdays
Alexander Beranek
Anna Caraveli
Daniel Athanasaw Jr.
Elias Lerner
Protodeacon Peter Danilchick
Rheta Guse
Sarah Zimmerli
Stephanie Kozemchak

July Anniversaries
1 Daniel & Yvonne Athanasaw
9 Matthew & Alethea Tan
13 Protodeacon Peter & Dsa. Tanya Danilchick
15 Asihel Betsuamlak & Mana Mussi
28 Doug and Lauren Chadwick

July Saint's Name Days
2 St. Stephen the Great: Stephen Subu
16 Virginmartyr Julia of Carthage: Julie Grecco
17 St. Margaret of Antioch: Rheta Guse
20 Prophet Elijah: Elias Lerner
22 Mary Magdalene: Rachel Marie Jacobson, Renee Mary Lerner

JUNE/JULY COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS

May 26-MEMoRIAL WEEKEND
Schmalzbach Family Baptism

June 2– Good Samaritan Advocates (see ad page 3.)
Ken Liu/Justina Mubangu

June 9-Luke and Lea Halim *(FAREWELL...for now)*.

June 16-F.O.C.U.S Presentation with Taissia Korba
Help the Pittsburgh Hill District
Glenn & Carrie Compton

June 23-PENTECOST-SPONOSOR NEEDED

June 30-Henderson Family

July-7-Svantje Swider

July 14-Protodeacon Peter and Dsa. Tanya Danilchick

July 21-DOXACON COMMITEE

July 28-SPONSOR NEEDED

AROUND THE COFFEE URN

News and events percolating in and around our community.

CALLING ALL MOTHERS OF PRE-SCHOOLERS!

Join M.O.O.P.S! Mothers of Orthodox Pre-Schoolers is a ministry of St. Mary Orthodox Church, led by Kami Cleary. M.O.O.P.S is designed to bring together the moms of pre-school aged children to have both the children and parents play together! Other children can attend, though the primary activities are designed with younger children in mind. Most meetings will take place at St. Mary. The following are the scheduled dates M.O.O.P.S will meet:

Friday, June 21 at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, July 5 at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, July 26th at 10:00 a.m.

For questions, please email Kami at orthodoxmothersdc@gmail.com or call (301) 351-5816 .

WANTED: THE "D" TEAM

The D-Team is a Special Forces operation committed to making this year's Dinner Dance & Silent Auction the best ever...we are celebrating our 25th anniversary after all! If you've ever planned a big event -- or if you're just willing to give a few hours for the fun of it -- then you have what it takes (and then some!) to complete this mission. Special Ops include:

--Dinner Dance Promotion
--Auction Planning
--Food/Beverage Planning
--Theme & Decorations
--On-Site Help & Coordination

Let's celebrate 25 years of St. Mary with great style and a great party. Contact Eleni or George Woglom to join the D-Team! Eleni or George Woglom to get started. Thank you!

Deadline for August Issue: JULY 24

IF YOU DONATE TO ST. MARY USING PayPal ... PLEASE READ THIS!

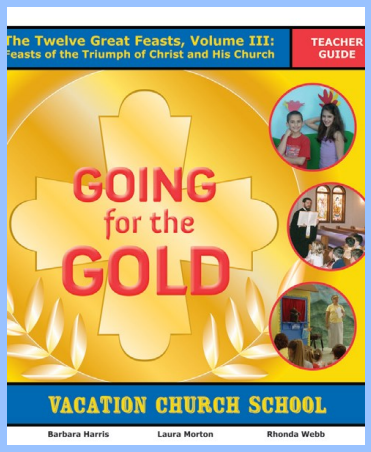
PayPal has provided members and friends of St. Mary's a convenient way to donate. Between November 15, 2011, and May 15, 2013, the parish received $30,670.72 in PayPal contributions, including $11,405.72 in recurring contributions. (PayPal fees over this period of time equaled $730.32.) However, the Parish Council recently became aware of a problem affecting recurring contributions which were initiated / begun between November 2011 and April 2012: a programming error on the part of the website developer resulted in some recurring donations being inadvertently directed to the Grameen Foundation, a charity helping poor women around the world. One-time donations, or recurring donations begun *after* April 11, 2012, do not appear to have been affected. We are in communication with the Grameen Foundation and the St. Mary's website team about this matter, but need assistance from St. Mary's PayPal donors so we can document any contributions affected by the problem. If you started using PayPal between November 2011 and April 2012 to send recurring donations to St. Mary's, or received to your surprise financial statements from the Grameen Foundation acknowledging donations they had received, please contact the Parish Council Treasurer, Jonathan Jacobson, at jej89@yahoo.com or (703) 298-3348 to discuss this matter.

MANY YEARS AND GOD'S BLESSINGS TO OUR ENGAGED COUPLES!

Christiana Kozemchak and Richard Hardy
Wedding to take place June 15 in Pennsylvania

Rheta Guse and Michael Thola

Stephanie Czura and Subdeacon Eugene Huang



VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL 2013

GOING FOR THE GOLD

Feasts of the Triumph of Christ and His Church

July 15-July 18 10:00a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Saint Mark Orthodox Church
7124 River Road
Bethesda, Maryland 20817-4770

This Pan-Orthodox VCS is open to all children in the Washington D.C. area. Going for the Gold is a structured program written by the Department of Religious Education in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. Ages 4 to rising 6th graders are welcome to attend! DEADLINE JULY 5th.

Volunteers are needed to help make the week a success and enjoyable for our children.
Even if you can only assist one day we would be grateful for your time.

Please contact Ann Prentice at 703-866-3036 or prentice@comcor.net

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