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Gospel: Matt.9:1-8

Epistle: Rom.12:6-14

Martyrs & Passionbearers Boris & Gleb

Schedule of Services

Sunday, July 24, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>July 30</u>, Great Vespers 4:00 p.m. <u>Sunday</u>, <u>July 31</u>, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Rev. Fr. Deacon Herman Belt is working on a summer internship with Fr. John at SCI Waymart, St. Tikhon's Monastery and our Parish. Dn. Herman will be with us next Sunday, July 31 for the Divine Liturgy and during Coffee hour he will be presenting a talk on how to Biblically Support the Church. What is stewardship? and how does tithing help us understand our relationship with Christ!

<u>The 5thOrganizational Parish Festival Meeting</u> will be held on Thursday, July 28 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Church. George Petorak and Serge Radionoff are the lay Co-chair of the Festival and Fr. John being the Clergy Co-Chair of the Festival. <u>A Group Photo will be taken at this meeting</u>. <u>The Parish Festival & Car Show will be held on Saturday,</u> September 24 and Sunday, September 25. Please mark this date on your calendar and plan to attend!

<u>Coffee Hour for Sunday: July 24</u>, Matushka Kathy & Matushka Dolores and <u>July 31</u> Ruth Lasichak & Roxanne Neutts.

<u>The Next Perogi Making Project</u> will be held this Saturday, July 30, beginning at 8:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Center. Please come out and help, as we prepare to get seed money for our Parish Festival with the Perogi Sale, to be held on Friday, August 12, from 11-4 p.m. <u>Please mark these dates on your calendar of events.</u> All Parishioners will be asked to work in making this festival a great success.

Parish Festival: Donation List 2022 Venue Tents \$600.00, Advertisement see Fr. John, 6 cases of French Fries \$250.00, Chicken Tenders, \$200.00, Pulled Pork donated. Hamburger Meat for Wimpies donated. \$150.00, Oil for fryers \$150.00, Bottles-of Water donated, Pepsi, & Diet Pepsi, Sprite, \$125.00, Hot Dogs/Sauerkraut \$75.00, Kielbasa for sandwiches donated. Monetary Donations: Kitchen Supplies (Aluminum Foil, Bags, Plastic Wrap, Paper towels, Containers) \$150.00 Ketchup/Mustard \$50.00, Paper products (Napkins, Paper Towels) \$100.00, Dish Detergent, Butter, Coffee/Creamers/Sugars/ \$100.00, All Bread Products (All Rolls, Rye Bread) \$150.00, Garbage Products (Bags) \$50.00, Plastic Utensils \$50.00. Mustard & Ketchup bottles, Napkins. Please see George Petorak or Serge Radionoff and make your intention known. Please note, we will update the donation list weekly.

<u>Parish Raffle (Seed Money) for Christmas in September Festival & Car Show</u> has been sent out. Please return the tickets ASAP. We need to establish seed money to get the Festival Up & Running. Five tickets were sent out to church members. 1st Prize \$1,000.00 2nd Prize \$500.00 & 3rd Prize \$250.00. <u>We thank you in advance for your support!</u>

<u>Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry: Awareness Sunday,</u> will be held next Sunday, August 31st. Please support Orthodox Prison Ministry. A free will offering will be taken at the designated basket on the Tetrapod at the end of the Divine Liturgy. <u>We thank you in advance for supporting this important agency in the Church.</u>

<u>In order to meet our growing financial obligations</u>, we are asking all our parishioners, when not in Church to send in their weekly offering envelops. <u>We thank you in advance!</u>

<u>Please remember in your prayers; Alexander Wanas</u> who is recuperating at home; 604 Scranton-Carbondale Highway, Childs, Pa. 18433. <u>Irene Leschak</u> who is home receiving rehab:.229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. <u>John Drutarosky</u>, who is a patient at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407 <u>Peter Senio</u> is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. <u>Please send them a get-well card!</u>

The Spiritual Lesson from a honeybee: Some people tell me that they are scandalized because they see many things wrong in the Church. I tell them that if you ask a fly, "Are there any flowers in this area?" it will say, "I don't know about flowers, but over there in that heap of rubbish you can find all the filth you want." And it will go on to list all the unclean things it has been to. Now, if you ask a honeybee, "Have you seen any unclean things in this area?" it will reply, "Unclean things? No, I have not seen any; the place here is full of the most fragrant flowers." And it will go on to name all the flowers of the garden or the meadow. You see, the fly only knows where the unclean things are, while the honeybee knows where the beautiful iris or hyacinth is. As I have come to understand, some people resemble the honeybee and some resemble the fly. Those who resemble the fly seek to find evil in every circumstance and are preoccupied with it; they see no good anywhere. But those who resemble the honeybee only see the good in everything they see. + St. Paisios of Mt. Athos, "Good and Evil Thoughts," Spiritual Counsels Ill: Spiritual Struggle