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Gospel: Luke 10:25-37

November 12th, 2017

Epistle: Eph.2:4-10

St. John the Merciful & Nilus the Faster

Schedule of Divine Services

Sunday, November 12th, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. followed by the Annual Parish Dinner at St. Michael's Center.

Monday, November 13th, 5:00 p.m. Parastas for John Franchak, offered by the family.

Saturday, November 18th, Great Vespers 6:30 p.m. Confession 6:00 p.m. (Please note change of time)

Sunday, November 19th, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Annual St. Michael's Day Dinner Celebration will be held this morning at 11:30 a.m. following the celebration of the Divine Liturgy at St. Michael's Center. Menu: All you can eat Turkey Dinner Buffet and Salad Bar. **Please see Mary Mathena for tickets \$12.00 for Adults, Children 12 and under free.** Protodeacon Gabriel and Susan Schlasta will be giving a slide presentation on their trip to the Ukraine and the visit to St. Mary's Orthodox Church in Dubranich. **Please note: the profit generated from our dinner will go towards The Michael's Scholarship Fund. Next year we will be having 5 graduates: If your have children or will be privileged to receive a Scholarship, please plan to support us.**

Bake Sale sponsored by our Church School Children and Teachers will be held during our St. Michael's Day Dinner, today at St. Michael's Center. **Please support our Church School!**

\$25.00 donation to St. Michael's Scholarship Fund, offered by Peter and Helen Senio.

Church Committee Special Parish By-Laws Meeting will be held on Monday(s) November 13th, 20th, 27th, and Monday, December 4th, and we will have our By-Laws in conformity to the Orthodox Church in America. A Special Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 10th to present the Template of our up-dated By-laws to the Parish for ratification.

"Creating a Mission Mindset," A Parish Council Workshop on November 18th at Holy Apostles in Mechanicsburg. Sandra Anderson, oversees a variety of parish ministries at St Mary Greek Orthodox Church in Minneapolis, MN, will be speaking on the blessings for those who use their God-Given Gifts to reach out to others, as well as the blessings to the parish.

Mark Date on your calendar of events: Monday, November 13th, at 8:00 a.m. making Potato Balls at St. Michael's Center. Tuesday, November 14th, 8:00 a.m. Construction of Perogies. Making Bread: Monday, November 20th, Bake, Tuesday, November 21st (afternoon – bag & fill orders) Wednesday, November 22nd, Sale & Pick-up Noon -4 p.m.

Thanksgiving Bread, Holiday Rolls, and Perogi Sale will be held at St. Michael's Center on Wednesday, November 22nd, from Noon – 4pm. Featuring: Loaves of Home-made Bread, plain & raisin, Frozen Perogi Holiday Rolls; Nut, Poppy, Apricot, Lekvar, Pineapple Coconut, Raspberry Cream. Phone orders to Ruth at 570-876-1456 or Fax 570-876-3454.

Church School will be held on Sunday, November 19th, following the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Matushka Kathy and Matushka Dolores are the teachers. **Please plan to bring your children to Church School!**

Please remember in your prayers; Ann Butler a guest at the Elmeroft of Mid-Valley, Michael Klaptach & John Lasichak Sr. are guests at the Wayne Woodlands Manor, in Waymart., Pa. Mary Slenska, Allied Rehab, **and Irene Kiehart's address: Atria at Farmington, 111 Scott Swamp Rd, and Rm.14B Farmington, CT 06032.**

Hostesses: Sunday, Nov. 12th –Annual Parish Dinner, Sunday, Nov. 19th, Matushka Kathy, Vicky Kravetsky, Theresa Krenitsky, Sunday, Nov. 26th, Mary Mathena, Jeanie Malec and Ann Narcoonis.

St. Philips Fast: In the weeks leading up to the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord in the Eastern Orthodox Church, the waiting and preparation period is also a time of fasting. This period is called the Nativity Fast or it may be referred to as Phillip's Fast, as it traditionally begins the day after the Feast of St. Phillip the Apostle, which falls on November 15 and ends with the Celebration of Christmas on December 25th.