

St. Michael's Orthodox Church

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Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

September 26, 2021 St. John the
Theologian

Epistle: 2 Cor.1:21-2:4

Schedule of Services

Sunday, September 26, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. (Annual) **Parastas** for the departed Gloria & Michael Klapatach, offered lovingly by their beloved sons. Michael, Gregory, Mark & Russell. **Parastas** for Helen Dolan (one year anniversary) offered lovingly by daughter Debbie.

Thursday, September 30, Great Vespers 4:00 p.m. - Eve of the Feast of (Pokrova)

Friday, October 1, Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. - Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God –

Saturday, October 2, Sacrament of Holy Matrimony: Dubee/ Thomas Wedding 3:00pm

Sunday, October 3, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

St. Michael's Church Committee & Windsor Inn, have scheduled a one-day, modified parish festival & Classic Car Show, this morning, September 26 following the Divine Liturgy. **Please join us and show support for our Church.**

Wedding Banns: Julie Dubee daughter of William and Maryann Dubee and Dylan Thomas, son of Mark and Leanne Thomas will be joined in the sacrament of Holy Matrimony on Saturday, October 2nd at 3:00 p.m. (Final Reading)

Flea Market will be held on Saturday, October 16 at St. Michael's Center from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. \$10.00 per table. Please contact Rachael Vaverchak at 570-876-2017 for RSVP

Special Church Committee Meeting to be held this Monday, September 27 at 5:00 p.m. Please make every effort to attend.

Coffee Hour this Sunday, September 26 will be held at St. Michael's Center, **join us for a breakfast Sandwich**. The hostesses for next Sunday, October 3, are Vicky Kravetsky and Susan Schalsta. Please call Millie Telep at 570-876-1151 if you would like to bake or bring a cake for October.

Festival & Classic Car Show Donations: \$500.00 Bardane Manufacturing Com. Inc. \$200.00 Attorney John Krisa. **May our Lord Bless all our donors!**

Jermyn 150th Banquet will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at St. Michael's Center, 5 p.m. Social Hour, 6:00 p.m. Dinner. Please call Ruth Lasichak at 570-876-1456 for RSVP. We will try to get two tables

A Special Thank You to Lydia Given for directing our Church choir this morning and offering for us her time and talent. **May our Lord continue to bless her for many years!**

Please remember in your prayers; Irene Leschak who is in rehabilitation at the Dunmore Healthcare, 1000 Mill Street, Dunmore, Pa. 18512 & **please send her a get-will card.**

Peter Senio is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. **Please remember Peter in your prayers.**

If your Church Dues are in arrears, please make an effort to send them to the Church. The Annual dues are **\$160.00** per year. Please call Gloria Shaw at 570-954-3905 to get your balance. **May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless you for many years!**

The Protection of the Mother of God: This miraculous appearance of the Mother of God occurred in the mid-tenth century in Constantinople, in the Blachernae church where her robe, veil, and part of her belt were preserved after being transferred from Palestine in the fifth century. On Sunday, October 1, during the All-Night Vigil, when the church was overflowing with those at prayer, the Fool-for-Christ Saint Andrew at the fourth hour, lifted up his eyes towards the heavens and beheld our most Holy Lady Theotokos coming through the air, resplendent with heavenly light and surrounded by an assembly of the Saints. Saint John the Baptist and the holy Apostle John the Theologian accompanied the Queen of Heaven. On bended knees the Most Holy Virgin tearfully prayed for Christians for a long time. Then, coming near the Bishop's Throne, she continued her prayer. After completing her prayer, she took her veil and spread it over the people praying in church, protecting them from enemies both visible and invisible. The Most Holy Lady Theotokos was resplendent with heavenly glory, and the protecting veil in her hands gleamed "more than the rays of the sun." Saint Andrew gazed trembling at the miraculous vision and he asked his disciple, the blessed Epiphanius standing beside him, "Do you see, brother, the Holy Theotokos, praying for all the world?" Epiphanius answered, "I do see, holy Father, and I am in awe." The Ever-Blessed Mother of God implored the Lord Jesus Christ to accept the prayers of all the people calling on His Most Holy Name, and to respond speedily to her intercession, "O Heavenly King, accept all those who pray to You and call on my name for help. Do not let them go away from my icon unheard