

St Michael's Orthodox Church

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July 16 2023: 6th Sunday After Pentecost
The Fathers of the 1st-6th Ecumenical Councils
Epistle: **Hebrews 13:7-16** Gospel: **John 17:1-13**

It is with great sadness but hope in the resurrection that we share with you that David Krenitsky, former council president and beloved member of the St Michael's family, reposed in the Lord on Tuesday, July 11, 2023.

See below for funeral services.

We offer our condolences to Debbie and their children Elizabeth, Dianna, Christina, Qwintin, and the entire Krenitsky family. Please keep all of them in your God-pleasing prayers! May David be granted eternal rest in the mansions of the righteous, and may his memory be eternal!

Schedule of Services

Saturday, July 15, 6:30 p.m. – Great Vespers

Sunday, July 16, 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

Sunday, July 16, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Viewing for David Krenitsky, at Parise Funeral Home (41st & Farview, Carbondale), with a **Panikhida at 4:30 p.m.**

Monday, July 17, 10:00 a.m. – Funeral of David Krenitsky

Saturday, July 22, 1:00 p.m. – **Baptism of Linden Valonis.** The entire parish is welcome at the service.

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Sunday, July 23, 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

“We seek to rededicate ourselves to the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Catholic and Apostolic Church. We are here to provide a loving and caring community, by participating in the worship services, so we may reach-out to those who are lost and witness the love of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.”

- Vision Statement, adopted October 17, 2022

Glory to God for all things!

Prayers & Donations

Please remember in your prayers. Send a card, or stop by and visit.

- **Robert and Eileen Dance**, Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 10 Hart Place, Carbondale, PA 18407
- **John Drutarosky**, Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 10 Hart Place, Carbondale, PA 18407
- **Ann Terpak**, Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, 10 Hart Place, Carbondale, PA 18407
- **Peggy Petrilak**, 127 Petrilak Lane, Greenfield Twp, PA 18407
- **Tom & Helen Grancey**, 102 Cleveland Ave, Jermyn, PA 18433
- **Theresa Krenitsky**, 4-B Henry Drive, Jermyn, PA 18433
- **Barbara Palubniak**, 629 Hill St, Mayfield, PA 19433
- **Peter Senio**, The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, PA 18509
- **Nicholas Mattise**, Personal Care at Allied Terrace, 100 Terrace Ln, Clarks Summit, PA 18411
- **Jerry & Marilyn Soroka**, 1227 Layton Rd, Clarks Summit, PA 18411
- **Dr. Joseph Danyo**, Hershey Medical Center (ICU), 500 University Dr., Hershey, PA 17033

We are seeking information on anyone, current or past parishioners, who need our prayers and visitation. If you know of anyone else who is hospitalized, homebound, in a nursing home, or has any other need, please send their names and contact information to Fr John so they can be added to our prayer list and visitation schedule.

Donations in memory of Irene Leschak: \$50 from Theresa Krenitsky. *May Irene's Memory be Eternal!*

Coffee Hour is offered by:

- July 16: Vickie Kravetsky & Charette Radionoff
- July 23: Mary Ann Dubee & Susan Schlasta
- July 30: Millie Telep & Mat. Delores Petorak

Thank you to all who have offered food and their efforts to our Sunday fellowship! Anyone can help. Please see Millie Telep to be added to the schedule.

July 16 2023: 6th Sunday After Pentecost, Fathers of the 1st-6th Councils

Epistle: Hebrews 13:7-16

Brethren: Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which have not profited those who have been occupied with them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

Gospel: John 17:1-13

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made. I have manifested thy name to the men whom thou gavest me out of the world; thine they were, and thou gavest them to me, and they have kept thy word. Now they know that everything that thou hast given me is from thee; for I have given them the words which thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from thee; and they have believed that thou didst send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom thou hast given me, for they are thine; all mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to thee. Holy Father, keep them in thy name, which thou hast given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in thy name, which thou hast given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves."

Announcements

Our **parish clean-up day** will be on an upcoming Saturday, to be announced. **Please note, it will NOT be on July 22 as previously announced.** We will decide on a date very soon.

SAVE THE DATE for the **Jermyn Town-Wide Yard Sale** on **Saturday August 19!** Please start collecting any gently-used items that you can donate to St Michael's for the sale. The sale is expected to start at 8 a.m.

The **Summer Raffle** is in progress. If you haven't gotten a letter and tickets in the mail, please speak to any Council member. The drawing will take place on July 24, with prizes of \$500, \$250, and \$100.

So that our Church can meet our growing financial obligations, we ask all parishioners, when not in Church, to send in your **weekly offering envelopes** to St. Michael's Church, 305 Walnut St., Jermyn, PA 18433. Thank you!

Metropolitan Anthony Bloom, on Confession

“In a letter of Justin Martyr, written in the second century, there is a remarkable passage. He writes to a friend and explains to him **how essential it is** that this man, who had sinned, **should come back to the community**, should be **reintegrated into the fellowship both of God and of the Body of Christ**. Because, he says, by your sin you have wounded the Body of Christ with a wound **which no one can heal except you; and if you do not come back, this Body remains wounded.**

... There was an acute sense of the oneness and the wholeness of the total Body, including God, including Christ, the Word of God incarnate. [Confession] was an act, therefore, **not only of personal salvation, but ... to be reintegrated ... to give back integrity to the wounded Body.**”

– Met. Anthony Bloom, *Coming Closer to Christ: Confession and Forgiveness*, 7-8.

Psalms for Special Needs (these are the Hebrew numbering)

When Afraid: Psalms 27 & 56

When Anxious: Psalm 46

When Disaster Threatens: Psalms 34, 91, 121

When Discouraged: Psalms 23, 37, 42, 55, 90

When Facing a Crisis: Psalms 34, 46, 118, 121

When Friends Fail: Psalms 27 & 35

When Leaving Home: Psalms 27 & 121

When Needing God's Protection: Psalms 27, 62, 91, 139

When Needing Inward Peace: Psalms 37 & 85

When Needing Prayer: Psalms 4, 6, 20, 22, 25, 42, 51

When Sick: Psalms 32, 38, 91

When We Sin: Psalms 6, 51, 139

When Sorrowing: Psalms 40, 42, 43, 51

When Tempted: Psalms 1, 73, 101, 110, 139

When Thankful: Psalms 65, 84, 92, 95, 100, 103, 116, 136, 147

When In Trouble: Psalms 2, 16, 31, 34, 37, 38, 40, 139

When Weary: Psalms 6, 27, 55, 60, 90

Donations are accepted for **Vigil Lights**, in the Altar and in front of the Relics. You may donate in memory of the departed, or for your health or the health of family members. *Thank you in advance for your generosity!*