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Christ is Risen!

"For as by a man came death, by a man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive"

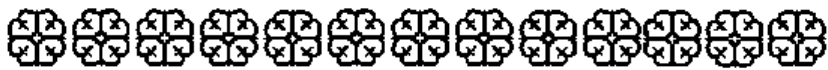
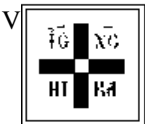
(I Corinthians 15:21-22).



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Schedule of Services at St. John's

- ❖ Sunday, May 2: Holy Liturgy 9:30 AM
- ❖ Sunday, May 9: Holy Liturgy 9:30 AM
- ❖ Sunday, May 16: Holy Liturgy 9:30 AM
- ❖ Sunday, May 23: Holy Liturgy 9:30 AM
- ❖ Sunday, May 30: Holy Liturgy 9:30 AM

Orthodox Calendar

See enclosed calendar for dates, times, and places for special services and events this month.

Council Capsule

Christos Anesti! What a wonderful Holy Week and Pascha. Our Agape Dinner was outstanding! Andreas and Laura entertained us with their music and Larry and Stacia cooked a wonderful luncheon. Many thanks to all who helped make this year's Agape Dinner a success.

The Building Committee is busy with the final stages of planning Phase I of the Paulos Center replacement. Timelines are being established which will include dates for completion of plans and construction schedules that will help insure that Phase I and Phase II, the demolition of the current Paulos Center, will be complete in time for our celebratory 30 year anniversary, ribbon cutting and groundbreaking event. Make plans now to attend the dinner/dance on Saturday, Sept. 11th which will be held at the Marriott South on 360. Stacia Leeders is our chairperson for this event and will soon be asking for donations of items for the silent auction.

Coming up in June is our annual Golf Tournament being held this year at Waterchase Golf Club. Gather your teams together and make plans to attend on Monday, June 7th for an 8:00 am shotgun start. All proceeds will benefit the Building Fund.

As a reminder sponsorship of the Forerunner is \$150.00 per month. Escalating cost in printing and mailings has risen to approximately \$200.00 per month and without your support, the cost is absorbed in our monthly expenditures by the Church. If you would like to sponsor any of the Forerunners during the next 7 months, please contact Greg DiGiovanni at: mrdigio@sbcglobal.net.

Once again we thank those who continue to support our Capital Campaign "Building Our Future" with their commitments and

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contributions. The success of this campaign and the future growth of our community relies on your generosity and dedication.

Barbara Vittas
Parish President

Father Vasile's Message

Curing the new depression era

*For what has man from all his labor, and from the troubling of his heart, in which he has labored under the sun? For all his days are sorrows, and his labor sadness; yea, his heart does not take rest in the night.
(Ecc 2:22-23)*

North European airports are still fighting with the giant cloud of ashes following the eruption of the unpronounceable Eyjafjallajökull volcano in Iceland. The aviation havoc reaches the entire world as the global flight network goes unbalanced with several of its major airports closed. But this is not the first time it happened. Iceland was the theater of another devastating eruption in 1783 when the Laki volcano decided to blow throwing into famine a quarter of the island population. At that time many European countries were also affected: a toxic cloud flew over Poland, England experienced what they called the "sand summer" and France lost many of his crops and the famine that occurred pushed them a bit further toward the revolution of 1789.

Similar events, however, take place all the time: a tornado in Oklahoma, a tsunami in Thailand, an earthquake in Haiti or Chile, you can almost pick the disaster of the day. Calamities do happen and without warning, despite the sophisticated prophecies of the scientists. On personal level catastrophes of lower overall magnitude, but nevertheless inducing similar

amounts of pain, like disease, loss of a relative, getting laid off and so on, keep coming our way when we expect them the least.

In moments like this we feel small, insignificant and powerless. Anger, frustration, depression take over many people trying to make any sense of it all. Ideally, we would all like to live in a world where we can predict everything, where we can evacuate cities in time, where we can save the lives of our loved ones, keep our jobs forever and so on. But such a world does not exist. We live in a reality that is beyond our capabilities of control, governed by rules that we cannot change, acting in ways that we cannot predict. So what can we do to protect ourselves from all this?

The short answer is: nothing. We cannot stop the rain from falling. But what we can actually do is cure ourselves from the fear of it all. The fear that overcomes us has its roots in our insatiable need for control, in our desire to be independent, to be the masters of our own world. But this is actually what brought us in the position we are now in the first place. Here is what the serpent told Adam while tempting them in the Garden of Eden: *“God knows that in the day you eat of it, then your eyes shall be opened, and you shall be as God, knowing good and evil.”* This was enough to convince Eve: *“And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasing to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make wise, she took of its fruit, and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.”* (Gen 3:5-6)

Today is no different. We all want to be wise, to get the next magic pill that will allow us, without effort, to understand all that surrounds us and be like God, having control overall. In this insatiable desire for power we fail to realize our place in the great scheme of things: we are the creation and He is the Creator. We cannot reverse this order, on the contrary the more we

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struggle with it the more we suffer. The temporality and corruptibility of the world is the consequence of our departure from God and our approaching to materiality. Being away from God we care about all the material things because we are afraid that this existence is the only reality there is and we try to make it as comfortable and pleasurable as possible. But the more things we have and the better we live the more we are afraid we are going to lose them. It is a vicious circle that's dragging us down to the darkest of places.

But here is what Jesus Christ says in the Gospel of Luke: *“Whoever will save his life shall lose it, but whoever will lose his life for My sake, he shall save it.”* (Luk 9:24). This is the solution to our problem, in fact to all our problems. We can do nothing for the body and for this short life. We cannot save it. Despite all the modern medicine and all the science we will still die one day, we will still be mortals and we'll go back into the earth from which we were taken. Bodies can't be saved, but our souls can. The true purpose of life is to make this happen, to ensure that our souls are saved; that in the end, at the second coming of Christ, we will gain the Kingdom, even though we lost the world.

To cure ourselves from the fear of it all we have to stop living entirely for the body and pay more attention to the soul. *Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.* (Mat 10:28). This is the only fear we should keep: that of losing our salvation, of getting lost into nonsensical minutia and miss the entrance in the kingdom like the five foolish virgins from the parable. (Mat 25:1)

Our lack of control is forcing us to keep a watchful attitude. *Therefore watch, for you do not know either the day or the hour in which the Son of Man comes.* (Mat 25:13) But this is not a fearful expectation but a joyful one,

looking forward to meet the bridegroom: *“Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.” (1Th 5:16-18)*

The only chance we have of curing ourselves from this chronic anxiety is to stop living in the world and start living in the Kingdom today. Lose our earthly citizenship to gain a passport in heavens where *“there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, foreigner, Scythian, slave or freeman, but Christ is all things in all”.* (Col 3:11)

Learn to accept God’s will with joy, in god or bad, in pain or bliss. His will should be done because He knows always better, what is truly good for us; in Him we should put our trust, not in man. This is our true freedom, *“In God I have put my trust; I will not be afraid of what man can do to me.”*(Psa 56:11)

Salvation is only with the Lord. He came on the earth to cure it of sin, but He did not promise a release from suffering, on the contrary He Himself has suffered and unjustly so. The world is already damaged and cannot be quick-fixed anymore; it has to be refashioned from the ground. He came to show us how it is done, how life should be lived, how pain, suffering and death can be overcome and lead to something new, something better, something eternal. *Do not fear what you are about to suffer. [...] Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.* (Rev 2:10). We cannot escape death, it’s true, but we can always choose to be resurrected with Christ.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

P.S. Here is a short prayer from the elders from the Optina Monastery that can help us get one step further everyday to the understanding of the inevitable things in life and acceptance of God’s will in all things.

Grant unto me, O Lord, that with peace of mind I may face all that this new day is to bring. Grant unto me to dedicate myself completely to Your Holy Will. In every hour of this day, instruct and support me in all things. Whatsoever tidings I may receive during the day, teach me to accept tranquilly, in the firm conviction that all eventualities fulfill Your Holy Will. Govern my thoughts and feelings in all I do and say. When things unforeseen occur, let me not forget that all comes down from You. Teach me to behave sincerely and rationally toward every member of my family, that I may bring confusion and sorrow to none. Bestow upon me, my Lord, strength to endure the fatigue of the day, and to bear my part in all its passing events. Guide my will and teach me to pray, to believe, to hope, to suffer, to forgive, and to love. Amen.

Financial Report

YTD thru 3/31/10

	2009	2010	Budget
<i>Stewardship</i>	33,630	36,977	177,158
<i>Total Income</i>	44,551	52,360	210,358
<i>Expense</i>	47,630	47,098	177,158
<i>Variance</i>	(3,079)	5,262	33,200

Terry Poriotis, Treasurer

Building Committee

Very soon we will hopefully be constructing the Phase I Paulos Center Replacement Addition, creating a cost effective replacement of the functionality of the existing Paulos Center (i.e. classrooms, conference room, and offices) in a southern expansion of the existing Church/Hall building. This first step will allow for the existing Paulos Center site to be cleared for the construction of our new Church.

The Building Committee will be providing a specific schedule of activities to share with all parishioners depicting the steps necessary to complete the Paulos Center Replacement Addition. Although moving around our property will be somewhat inconvenient during construction, it is very exciting to think that we are another step closer towards building our new Church.

If you have any questions regarding this initial phase of the Capital Development Program, please do not hesitate to ask me or any member of the Building Committee.

Joe Sullivan
Building Committee Chairman

Building Our Future Capital Campaign Committee Report

The Capital Campaign Committee is pleased to report the following status as of April 1, 2010:

Total Commitments:	\$1,578,570
Funds Received:	\$ 445,428

As mentioned briefly in the prior Forerunner we will be having a 30th Anniversary dinner on Saturday, September 11, 2010. Subsequent to the dinner will be a ground breaking event, ribbon cutting ceremony and luncheon on Sunday, September 12, 2010. This will be a major event in the growth of St. John's Church and we need all parishioners to participate.

As you've no doubt heard several times we need everyone's help to "Build our Future" and all commitments regardless of size are needed. We want all present and future parishioners to participate in this exciting endeavor to build a new church.

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Respectfully submitted April 19, 2010:

George Vittas, Chairman, Dr. Chris Yiantou, Vice Chairman, Paun Peters, Nancy Medvic, Louis Papaliadis, Margaret Chokas

Stewardship News

As of **4/18/10** we have **88 pledges** for a **total of \$135,634**. We still have approximately 30 of last year's stewards who have not pledged for 2010. Please know that **the church needs you now!** If you are one of those who have not yet pledged, we ask that you seriously and prayerfully consider doing so. We have all received many blessings from God and we are required to willingly give back to the Church. St. John is a wonderful community and it is up to us to support it.

Please, fill out your pledge card today!!

We want to thank those of you who have already become stewards and those who have so graciously increased their pledge.

NOTE: Many of you are marking your checks for "stewardship", but have not filled out a card for 2010. If your intention is to be a pledged member of St. John, a new card must be submitted each year.

2010 Stewards

Alexander, Leo & Teresa
Arlington, Linda
Ballas, Andy & Pat
Began, John
Berca, Sorin & Carmen
Blake, John & Harriett
Blase, Clarisse
Bogdos, George & Sotera

Bogordos, George & Kasandra
Brandon, Roberta
Callesen, John
Chokas, Margaret
Clay, Wayne & Aria
Cline, Tim & Angela
Dempsey, Walt & Dorothy
Doughty, Elaine
Feichtinger, Pavlina
File, Russ & Hope
Fondulis, Paul
Forcum, Ana
Fox, Mike & Kathy
Geil, Chris & Sandra
Genovezos, George & Olympia
George, Ken & Maggie
Gianulis, Bill & Bertha
Gianulis, Demi
Gigliotta, Leonard
Grumbos, Dr. Peter
Hooe, Jane
Ibrahim, Basil & Mary
Johnson, Marshall & Velva
Jones, Daniel
Karegeannes, Harry & Ginny
Katsikas, Constantinos
Kerbow, Joe & Maria
Koumbarides, Nicos
Lavery, Connie
Leeders, Larry
Leeders, Stacia
Maayeh, George & Lily
MacPherson, Doug & Andi
Manos, George & Vicki
Matheson, Trevor & Sherri
Mavias, John
Mavias, Lisa
Mavias, Michael & Mary
Medvic, Allison
Medvic, Nancy
Mihalakeas, Andreas & Laura
Molhoek, Mike & Tina
Morcovescu, Serban & Anca
Moutafis, George & Khanh
Nahatis, Arthur
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Naval, Marc
Nazzal, Alfred
Nicholas, Toni
Noulas, Athanasios
Nugent, Phyllia
Pachares, Tony & Athena
Papadimitriou, Alex & Linda
Papadopoulou, Olga & Theoni
Papaliadis, Georgia
Papaliadis, Louie
Paulos, Sophie
Petercsak, Steve & Esther
Peters, Elise
Peters, Paun & Lynn
Peters, Tina
Plock, Eleni
Poletes, Bill & Rena
Poletes, Lea
Poriotis, Terry & Gail
Rafailedes, Connie
Ruppel, John & Joanie
Russo, Joseph & Athena
Samaras, Johnny
Shah, Raj & Kirsten
Steffaro, Bob & Karen
Sullivan, Joe & Nina
Talleos, Peter
Tudora, Fr. Vasile & Pres. Mirela
Villanueva, Junior & Maria
Vittas, George & Barbara
Walker, Jim & Harriet
Wozniak, Jamey
Wright, Bill & Christine
Yiantsou, Dr. Chris & Margo
Zingas, Ari & Olga

Philoptochos News

Christos Anesti, Christ is Risen!

Firstly, let me thank the entire St. John's Chapter for participating in our Festival of Tables in April. We had such a dynamic time and what a

great fundraiser it was. A special thanks to the Hostess and Host for their time and talent, thank goodness we don't give out awards, how anyone could possibly make a decision on the beatitude of each table is unimaginable. We had a total of 21 tables this year and 210 ladies representing our Chapter. This event could not have been possible without the love and support of the Mavias family. We were all thrilled to have met Michael Symon and his parents, more wonderful members of their family. It was an exciting day that we will not forget. The relationship that developed between our parishes, Dallas and Fort Worth, was worth more than 1,000 words. This is truly what Christ talks about when He refers to "Sisterhood". Thanks again to all, no matter what your part.

Please mark your calendars for our annual "Walkathon", scheduled for May 8th. Please see enclosed form for details. You may also contact Roberta Brandon or Kathy Fox for further information. Please come and enjoy the morning with us, the exercise is important in maintaining proper health.

Our next monthly meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 16th, 2010. Immediately following liturgy and prior to our meeting, we will be presenting our scholarship recipient with their award. Please plan on attending to support our parish's future.

It has been an active and enduring year for all of us, we pray you all have a safe and relaxing summer and I thank you all for your support.

Yours in Christ,
Bertha

Choir Notes

CHRISTOS ANESTI!

The hymns sung during the Lenten Services are probably the finest example of Orthodox

hymnography and among the very finest expression of Christian poetry.

Thank you to the choir, chanters, the Myrrh-Bearers (*Myrophorae that chanted Good Friday evening*) and to the and all those who contributed to our beautiful Lenten Services.

In His Service,
Bill

Youth Ministries Is On the Move

Nearing the end of another school year and the activity list is flying high! Please do try to support the GRADUATION CELEBRATION LUNCHEON honoring our three degree recipients on May 23 following Liturgy. This year Becky Blake will graduate from High School, Katie Ruppel will graduated from TCU and Karen Kinman will have received her PhD! The food is always very good with chefs Lynn Peters and Connie Rafailedes in the kitchen and the rest of the Youth Ministries Council handling the rest of the arrangements. The donations from this luncheon will go to supporting our important youth activities. Please be generous!

We were mighty proud to see the pictures in the Orthodox Observer of our Church School welcoming our military at DFW airport recently. Thanks to all the parents who participated too. Did you notice the happy smiles?

We are always happy to brag about our young people and their accomplishments. We are now so pleased to tell you that Chris Blake was recently notified that he was one of 6 recipients of \$5000 grants which are given in memory of one our Archdiocese Archons, Peter Agris by the Alpha Omega Council of New England and his family. One of the criteria

is being a full time student enrolled in Journalism studies! We are very proud of you, Chris and appreciate all the help you give our parish with the youth programs.

Again, please let me know of very special honors which your children receive. We all want to know!

Y. M. is working hard trying to arrange funding for several of our young people to attend Camp Emmanuel outside of Albuquerque, N.M. in June. Your supporting our activities will help pay for some of these expenses. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE!

In His Service,
Yours in Christ,
Athena Pachares, Y.M. Coordinator
(pachares@sbcglobal.net)

Church School News

May 16th is the last day of Church School before summer begins. We will celebrate the children's accomplishments and will have a recognition ceremony on May 16th with our End-of-Year picnic. Please make every effort to attend this day so that we may recognize your children in front of the parish for their attendance records and other special awards.

A joint Vacation Bible School will be held at St. Demetrios during the week of June 21-25 from 9AM – 12PM. Additional information and registration forms will be sent home via your children and/or can be downloaded from our church website. Mark your calendars for these dates. We have dedicated volunteers providing these educational and fun activities for our children. Let's have a great showing of support for their efforts.

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We've had a great year with many memorable moments with our children and their teachers. I would like to express deep gratitude to our Church School Teachers, without whom we would not have the great success in providing the religious instructions.

· **Pre-K & K:** Mrs. Maria Kerbow, Ms. Allison Medvic, and Mrs. Tina Molhoek
· **1st & 2nd:** Mrs. Theresa Alexander
· **3rd & 4th:** Mrs. Esther Petercsak
· **Middle School:** Mrs. Harriet Blake
· **Teens:** Ms. Stephanie Kallis

Church School will begin again on September 6th.

Praising Him,
Khanh Moutafis

GOYA

Philip Sullivan, President
Maggie Molhoek, Vice President
Ovi Berca, Secretary
Peter Pursley, Treasurer

We welcome students who are 12-18 years old to join! If you are interested, please contact one of the officers.

Thanks,
Philip Sullivan, GOYA President

Camp Emmanuel

CAMP EMMANUEL - The Metropolis of Denver Church camp will be held on June 20-26th at the Manzano Mountain Retreat (outside of Albuquerque, NM) This is an excellent opportunity to learn in our Orthodox Christian faith. Concurrent sessions for children ages 11-18 join in a week filled with faith, fellowship

and fun. Contact Rena Poletes or Nina Sullivan for more information as it becomes available.

Ageless Wonders

The Ageless Wonder's will meet on Saturday, May 22, 2010 for a day at the Horse Races. We will meet at the church at 11:30 a.m. and car pool to Lone Star Park in Grand Prairie. Reservations are required ! Cost is \$22 per person. This includes: Admission, Reserved Box seating, Program, Lunch,(Cheeseburger, Fry's and Drink). Valet parking is available. We need your reservation A.S.A.P.! Call me for more details.....Margaret 817-354-7731

Gladsome Light Dialogues

Gladsome Light Dialogues will continue it's dialogues on: *What about the others?* - A short introduction into other religious beliefs.

5/5/2010	Islam
5/12/2010	Other Christians Fr. Vasile
5/19/2010	Conclusions Fr. Vasile
5/26/2010	Evening Film Dialogues

After 26th of May we'll take a break until September 8, when will be back with more and exciting programs for you.

Don't forget to visit our weekly updated blog at <http://dialogues.stjohndfw.info>

2010 Food Festival

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

We are already gearing up for the 2010 Greek Fest. For some, it has just past, for others it's still far off into the future. For me, it's like it never

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finished. Though we had poor weather last year, we still had a great Greek fest. It was a wonderful opportunity to share our food, customs, and culture with our American brethren, but more importantly our, children, friends and family. Thanks to everybody who made this happen.

After the food festival, as always, we had a lessons learned meeting. As such, a small committee is reviewing the findings and helping implement changes that will streamline some of the processes. A few of the changes include a new volunteer list. This should hopefully clear up what needs to be done, when, and how people can help before, during and after the festival.

We have also made changes to the chair positions, and as such eliminated the position of volunteer chairperson and co-chair and have replaced it with the team leader position. Team leads are now expected to, well, to lead. And as such would be responsible for their position, working with other team leads, creating and supporting their team and interfacing with any of the chair or purchasing representatives. We hope this new simplified position will attract new volunteers as they are gravely needed.

As everyone is well aware, we are in the process of building a new church and we expect ground breaking this year, the question arose "will we have enough volunteers?" Therefore, this year, we would like everybody to volunteer early. In fact, we need you to volunteer VERY early. We need the volunteer positions filled by May 16th. Please remember, this is the #1 revenue generating program we have for building our new church. But it cannot happen without you and your friends and family.

Thank you,
George Genovesos

2010 Golf Tournament

This year's fund raising Golf Tournament will once again be sponsored by:

Western Production

and will be held at Waterchase Golf Club, on Monday, June 7. The shotgun start will begin at 8:00 AM. More information will become available during the next 2 months. Please form your teams and make your plans to attend this year's event for a great cause.

Thank You
Golf Committee

Practical Faith

What is the tradition?

An Orthodox Fairy Tale

In the village of Omsk all was not well in the local Pokrov Parish. Every year, during Lent, at 'Blessed art Thou, O Lord, teach me Thy statutes', half of the congregation would make a metania at the waist, and half would make a full prostration. The little metanists would start whispering sharply, 'No! No! From the waist!' To which the great metanists would hiss back even louder, 'Wrong! Full prostration! Who are you following, the Devil?!' And fist fights would break out and the service could not even be completed.

Finally the war-weary parishioners decided to ask their priest, Fr Veniamin. 'Batiushka, what is the tradition? In Lent, at "Blessed art Thou", do we make a little metania, or a great metania?' Knowing the rancor attached to the dispute, poor

Fr Veniamin trembled, grew pale, then fainted dead away and fell backwards.

So next they went to the Skete of the Forerunner, and asked Fr Onouphry: 'Batiushka, we want to know, we have a terrible argument at Omsk--what is the tradition? Because half the people say to make small metanias at "Blessed art Thou" now, and half say great metanias. And we start fighting, terrible, terrible. So, tell us, what is the Tradition?' Seeing the ferocity in their faces, poor Hieromonk Onouphry simply fainted dead away.

Then someone shouted, 'Let's go to Elder Ioann and ask him!' It was a marvellous idea. Surely the elder's answer would bring peace, for he was respected by all, a native of Omsk, and his hoary 94 years guaranteed a knowledge of what the old tradition had been.

So a large crowd gathered at the elder's dacha on the outskirts of town. Some 15 men from both sides entered the dacha, and found frail Elder Ioann lying on his bed. As he struggled to draw himself up and offer tea, they cut him off: 'Elder Ioann, you have to help us! What is the Tradition? Every year in Lent, at "Blessed art Thou, O Lord", half of the people at Pokrov make little metanias, and half the people great metanias, and we start to argue, and the service doesn't even finish because of the fist fight!'

Then Elder Ioann said firmly, in his voice shaking with age, and with tears streaming down his joyful face, 'THAT ... Is ... the Tradition!'

From an e-mail list. Any resemblance to real parishes or people is purely coincidental!

Found at <http://www.orthodox.net/articles/what-is-the-tradition.html>

Usher Schedule

1st Sunday: Peter Talleos, Terry Poriotis
2nd Sunday: Barbara Vittas, Larry Leeders
3rd Sunday: Stacia Leeders, Tim Cline
4th Sunday: George Moutafis, Raj Shah
5th Sunday: Nancy Medvic, Allison Medvic

Acolyte Schedule

1st Sunday : Phillip Sullivan, Alex Genevezos,
John Molhoek, Bennet Kerbow
2nd Sunday : Chris Eftemie, Ovidiu Berca,
Phillip Sullivan, Chris File
3rd Sunday : Jackson Wright, Joey Basiliadis,
Alex Genevezos, James Seals
4th Sunday : Luca Tudora, Ovi Berca, James
Seals, Alex Shah
5th Sunday: Phillip Sullivan, Jackson Wright,
Ovi Berca, James Seals

Websites

Don't forget pay us an often visit at our parish websites <http://stjohndfw.info> and <http://dialogues.stjohndfw.info>. The sites are continuously updated with news and information about our faith. Also visit us on our new Capital Campaign website at <http://buildingourfuture.stjohndfw.info/>

Yours in Christ,
Sorin Berca, Website Administrator

Coffee Hour Schedule

1st Sun.: Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Chokas
2nd Sun: Philoptochos

3rd Sun: Parish Council
4th Sun: Ageless Wonders
5th Sun: Parish Council (If Applicable)

Duties For Hosts of Coffee Hour

SETUP

- Arrange pastries/food in a desirable manner on the appropriate tables in the parish hall.
- You are responsible for making the coffee. Make two pots: one regular, one decaf. Plug in before going into church. The instructions are in the kitchen.
- Prepare a tray with sugar, creamer, sugar substitute, mixing straws, a few spoons. Set with trash bucket.
- Put donation basket out with appropriate sign.

CLEAN UP

- Wash all dishes soiled, including coffee pots.
- Return sugar tray to kitchen and replenish it.
- Wash off hall tables and kitchen counters.
- Donation money will be collected by the Parish Council.

Deadline for The Forerunner and Weekly Bulletin

The deadline for information for the Forerunner is the 18th of each month, and Thursday for the Weekly Bulletin. To defray the cost of the printing and postage of *The Forerunner* we are looking for monthly sponsors. Please contact Greg DiGiovanni (mrdigio@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested in sponsoring one month. The cost is \$150.00 and the sponsorship will be acknowledged on the back cover.



SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2010

St. John's will be celebrating it's 30th Anniversary
with a Dinner/ Dance at the
Marriott South
Tickets \$125

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2010

Ground Breaking for our New Church
And
Ribbon Cutting of our Phase I Addition