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FERDINAND AND THE RAGGING BULL

Reading the news can be a source of inspiration and sometimes even an enlightening experience. For instance a recent news flash from Spain, about a bull that jumped 10 yards into the audience of a Spanish bullring injuring 40 people, curiously made me think that life, in a way, is like a bullfight, a “*corrida de toros*”. Many times we know how dangerous or harmful some things may be to us, yet, we keep doing them or we resolve to enjoy them from the audience, with the illusion of safety.



Getting involved in something however, even from a distance, still counts as participation and inherits all the risks associated. Even if we openly avoid doing certain things that we might consider inappropriate on a superficial moral level, we still take pleasure, admittedly or not, in the decadent show of our society. We have the option to withdraw from it completely at anytime if we want to, but many times we prefer to settle with a platonic voyeuristic attitude. We do not play the “*matador*” but we still care for a bloody bullfight.

With this outlook we allow to pass by us many things that we should not be part of, dismissing them as items that are beyond our scope of authority and continue to observe them with a guilty, distant involvement. The Scripture however bluntly contradicts this attitude: “*But I say to you, that whoever looks on a woman to lust after her has committed adultery with her already in his heart.*” (Mt 5:28)

If we are serious in our rejection of sin we should also stop endorsing it, “*no one cannot serve two masters.*” (Mt 6:24) If you don’t like a bullfight why are you even buying a ticket in the

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COUNCIL CAPSULE

After a delayed start, the construction of our new addition has begun moving along very quickly. Because of the late start, the interior may not be completely finished but we will still have our grand opening on Sept. 12th. As a reminder, please keep an eye on the children when they are outside after liturgy.

By now, you should have received your invitation to our Sept. 11th 30th anniversary dinner. We have a wonderful evening planned and want everyone to share this momentous occasion in the life of our Parish. Make your reservations today for an evening of celebration and recollections of the past 30 years and our expectations and hopes for the future of St.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- *September 11 Anniversary and Ground breaking for the new Church*
- *Why do I need to fill a stewardship card?*
- *New Church Construction updates*
- *Church School News*
- *Church Events Calendar*
- *My Summer at Camp Emanuel*

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COUNCIL CAPSULE



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John's. With all the construction and Sept. 11th and 12th celebration plans, we must not forget that the festival is rapidly approaching. The pastry preparations have begun and will continue up to the festival itself. Please give whatever time you can to help and don't forget to sign up to help during the festival itself. It takes a lot of hands

to prepare for the festival and we need everyone's help.

It was brought to my attention that during liturgy there are children in the nursery without adult supervision. The nursery was established for children under Sunday School age to be supervised by parents on a rotating basis. Any other children should be in church during liturgy. If there is a need for the nurs-

ery, Youth Ministries will address the situation and set up a schedule so that there is an adult present at all times.

Lastly, I hope everyone is enjoying the new format of the Forerunner. Fr. Vasile has done a great job on improving the concept and new design.

Barbara Vittas

Parish President

FINANCIAL REPORT YTD THRU 7/31/10

	2009	2010	Budget
Stewardship	79,812	76,192	103,341
Total Income	123,139	114,037	122,703
Expense	116,150	114,742	107,758
Variance	6,989	(705.00)	14,240

PLEASE REMEMBER
TO SAVE THE
DATE TO
ATTEND OUR
30TH
ANNIVERSARY
DINNER
SEPTEMBER 11-12

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE REPORT

There has been only a modest change in pledge and payment amounts since last month, we are still at about \$1.6 million pledged commitments and over \$500,000 in cash payments on those pledges, all of which is safely and securely invested in short term bank CDs distributed among banks to remain within deposit insurance limits.

The fact there have been very few additional commitments since formal completion of the Capital Campaign early this year is not of great concern at the moment. We have a historic groundbreaking date approaching and that is what both the CCC and the Building Committee are focused on for the time being. The BC is focusing on completion of the new Paulos Center Addition and the CCC is focused on the activities of that

weekend, including the Parish's 30th Anniversary. We hope all of our fellow parishioners will make plans to attend the events of Sept. 11th and 12th including the Anniversary Dinner Dance on Saturday evening and Hierarchal Liturgy On Sunday followed immediately by the ground breaking ceremony and a luncheon. The theme of the weekend will be "Honoring our Past - Celebrating our Future", what could be more appropriate? His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah will preside and it would be most appropriate to demonstrate Parish support in his presence and to Father Vasile, who has been a driving force in making this possible.

Following ground breaking weekend, the CCC and BC will begin working closely together to determine feasibility and plans

for an initial stage of church construction. The Council will keep every one informed, but if you want to be involved in these financial and construction planning activities please feel free to contact Fr. Vasile, Joe Sullivan, George Vittas or any member of the CCC.

Also, if you haven't already made a capital campaign commitment, wouldn't the coming events be a perfect time?

We need the support of every parishioner.

Sincerely, Your capital campaign committee, George Vittas, Dr. Chris Yiantsou, Paun Peters, Nancy Medvic, Margaret Chokas, Louie Papalioidis



FERDINAND AND THE RAGING BULL

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arena? Of course you are safe in the upper stalls, but you are still on the inside, supporting, rooting for the fight and secretly hoping for blood.

Why are we then surprised when things go bad and we get hurt? The moment we chose to take on a risk we also took on the possibility of getting injured. You don't have to dodge a bull dressed in some crazy costume to get hurt; one can get hurt even in the stands, as we just saw.

We can't keep playing with sin and hope for the best. The root of sin, which is the guilty thought, has to be eradicated. "O daughter of Babylon, [...] happy shall he be, that takes and dashes your little ones against the stones" (Ps 136: 8). The "little ones" are the thoughts that grow in our minds, tormenting and pushing us to do or worry about things that we should not.

Any temptation starts small, allowing you to get accustomed to it, and then, when you are hooked, devours you completely. St. Nicodemus in his "Unseen Warfare" talks about this work of the devil.

"The devil resembles an ant-lion since he always begins a man's ruin by first casting him into small sins, just as an ant is small, and then, when the man becomes accustomed to such small sins, he casts him into greater. So equally the devil at first seems as weak and small as an ant, and later he appears like a powerful giant - a great lion"

Fondling with sin will not do anything but decrease our sensitivity to its great repercussions. Like in a bullfight arena, we buy first a ticket up high, playing it safe but the more we go the more courageous we get, going foolishly lower and lower, until one day a ragging bull breaks loose and hurts us, right when we were thinking that nothing bad could ever happen.

One of the major problems we face today is that the world around us is loosing the concept of sin entirely. The psychologists take all blame away from us claiming that we are conditioned by our animal instincts; we have an innate predisposition to hunt, mate, feed, dominate etc; so we are attracted by things that fulfill these deep, subconscious desires. This way of thinking accounts however only our animal side. Man has been also blessed with rationality and spirituality, which, put to good use, can control these instincts and free man to pursue his real spiritual potential. The simple fact that we can do something does not mean that we should; all things might be lawful, as the apostle says, "but not all things build up." (1Co 10:23)

Keeping the bullfighting metaphor, man should reflect more on Ferdinand, the powerful bull which, totally

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“CONSTRUCTION
ACTIVITIES ARE
PROGRESSING AT
A MUCH FASTER
PACE“

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

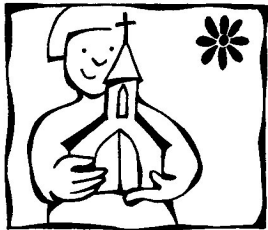
Construction activities are progressing at a much faster pace now that the fire line is installed and approved by the Fire Marshall and the Phase 1 Paulos Center Replacement Addition foundation is poured. Late August and early September will see the framing of the addition's walls, roof construction, electrical and mechanical systems' rough-in and exterior work

being executed. September the interior finishes will progress to ultimately finish out the addition. It is with great excitement that we will participate as a community in the groundbreaking ceremony with His Eminence Archbishop Isaiah on September 11th. Our goal, soon after this significant event, will be to apply for permits and begin construction of the

new Church after this year's Food Festival, the first step being the demolition and site clearing of the former Paulos Center. If you have any questions regarding the overall planning schedule of the Capital Development Program, please do not hesitate to ask me or any member of the Building Committee.

Joe Sullivan, Chairman





STEWARDSHIP NEWS

As of 8/15/10 we have **101 pledges** for a **total of \$143,059** with a **budget of \$185,000**. As you can see, we are \$42,000 short of our budget.

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

Ballas, Chris

Began, John

Berca, Sorin & Carmen

Blake, John & Harriett

Blase, Clarisse

Bogdos, George & Sotera

Bogordos, George & Kassandra

Bokoyas, Jim &

Brandon, Roberta

Callesen, John

Chokas, Margaret

Clay, Wayne & Aria

Cline, Tim & Angela

Cortinas, Ruben & Laurie

Cramb, Kristina

Dempsey, Walt & Dorothy

DiGiovanni, Greg & Joy

Doughty, Elaine

Englezakis, Mike

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

Hadjikiakos, Michael

Hooe, Jane

Ibrahim, Basil & Mary

Johnson, Marshall & Velva

Jones, Daniel

Karegeannes, Harry & Ginny

Katsikas, Constantinos

Kerbow, Joe & Maria

Kinman, Buck & Karen

Klein, Micheline

Koumbarides, Nicos

Laverty, Connie

Leeders, Larry

Leeders, Stacia

Legel, Paraskevi

Leimbacher, Jenny

Maayah, George & Lily

MacPherson, Doug & Andi

Manos, George & Vicki

Manos, Michael & Debbie

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

Naval, Marc

Nazzal, Alfred

PLEASE, FILL OUT
YOUR PLEDGE
CARD TODAY!!



2010 STEWARDS (CONTINUED)

Nicholas, Toni	Peters, Elise	Shah, Raj & Kirsten
Noulas, Athanasios	Peters, Paun & Lynn	Steffaro, Bob & Karen
Nugent, Phyllia	Peters, Tina	Sullivan, Charles & Ann
Pachares, Tony & Athena	Plock, Eleni	Sullivan, Joe & Nina
Papadimitriou, Alex & Linda	Poletes, Bill & Rena	Talleos, Peter
Papadopoulou, Olga & Theoni	Poletes, Lea	Tudora, Fr. Vasile & Pres. Mirela
Papaliadis, Georgia	Poriotis, Terry & Gail	Villanueva, Junior & Maria
Papaliadis, Louie	Rafailedes, Connie	Vittas, George & Barbara
Paulos, Sophie	Ruppel, John & Joanie	Walker, Jim & Harriet
Petercsak, Steve & Esther	Russo, Joseph & Athena	(continued on page 13)
	Samaras, Johnny	



WHY DO I NEED TO FILL A STEWARDSHIP CARD?

“Why do I need to fill out a stewardship card?”

Stewardship cards are important for two reasons. First, the cards are used to plan the church’s budget for the upcoming year. Without them we have no idea how much income we can depend on from our congregation.

Second, the cards are a means of creating a list of church members, which is necessary in order to determine who is eligible to vote, serve on the parish council, hold an office, etc.

Therefore if you are making regular contributions or if you made a lump sum contribution at the beginning of the year, please submit a pledge card if you have not already done so. As stated on the card, this is not a contract, but a promise of intentions. It can be changed at any time

by simply notifying either the priest or the stewardship committee chairman – no questions asked.

“Why do I need to contribute weekly or monthly instead of at the end of the year?” Making frequent contributions is necessary in order for the church to have enough funds to pay the bills at the end of each month. It is similar to our own personal finances. If our employers waited until the end of the year to pay us, how would we meet our monthly bills? Most of us couldn’t and likewise the church can’t either. Therefore it is critical that we stay current by making weekly or monthly contributions toward our stewardship commitment.

Remember: If your intention is to be a pledged member of St. John, a new card must be

submitted each year.

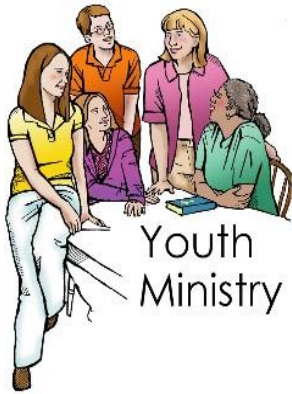
We would appreciate everyone’s understanding and cooperation in helping to make the stewardship process more efficient.

MAKING FREQUENT CONTRIBUTIONS IS NECESSARY IN ORDER FOR THE CHURCH TO HAVE ENOUGH FUNDS TO PAY THE BILLS AT THE END OF EACH MONTH.



Make your talent grow today

YOUTH MINISTRIES IS ON THE MOVE



I wanted to say "thanks" to these wonderful Youth Ministry people by printing their names here for all to see. Fr. Tudora, Nina Sullivan, Esther Peterszak, Marcia Arapis, Maria Kerbow, Tina Molhoek, Khanh Moutafis, Lynn Peters, Connie Rafailedes, Margaret Chokas, Harriet Blake, Olympia Genovezos, Rena Poletes, Gail Poriotis and Allison Medvic and Laurie Cortinas. What they do for our youth is a Love Offering. All except two were able to be at our Planning meeting on August 8!

As you are aware, we review all the programs which involve our parish youth, try to keep things running smoothly, make improvements and plan two fund raisers to provide what is needed with your help. This year we will be making a serious push to get more of our kids to camp and retreats.

Laurie has a big job on her

hands as she works with the Dance groups and asks for your consideration by making certain the children are at practices regularly. Vacation Bible School attendance was low this year with only two of our children attending at St. Demetrios. GOYA will consider at weekend trip to Holy Apostles Monastery in Kendalia, Tx and will be selling Fisherman's Hats at the Foodfest at extremely reasonable prices to raise money for their Basketball Tournament in Oklahoma City.

JOY will meet regularly each month and Olympia is busy planning the program. Sept. 26 is the new date for the BRATS, BURGERS AND BEANS luncheon sponsored by Youth Ministries. The EASTER EGG HUNT will be on Easter Sunday before Agape dinner. GRADUATION CELEBRATION will be on May 15

following Liturgy. This year we have 6 high school grads and 3 college grads! The

END OF YEAR PICNIC is planned for May 21.

We also present gifts to our ACOLYTES Church School graduation and look forward to having these great young boys tonsured by the Metropolitan when he is here for our new church ground breaking.

We are grateful for the other interested parishioners who help us with the activities mentioned above. Thanks to Bill Wright, Athena Russo, Tina Nicholas, and Margo Yiant-sou! Watch for specifics in future Forerunners!

Again, anyone wishing to be a part of this energetic group...please contact me

Athena Pachares, Y.M. Coordinator (pachares@sbcglobal.net)

BACK TO
SCHOOL BRATS,
BURGERS AND
BEANS

SEP. 26
FOLLOWING
LITURGY

GOYA NEWS

GOYA will resume their meetings beginning Sunday, August 29th. They will be held in the Paulos Center garage following liturgy. Several topics and activities will be discussed, including planning a retreat to a monastery with Fr. Vasile. On Sunday, September 5th, we will have a pool party at Chris Blake's home. We are always looking forward to having new

members join the group! Forerunners!

Again, anyone wishing to be a part of this energetic group...please contact me

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Your Officers for 2010:

Philip Sullivan, *President*

Maggie Molhoek, *Vice President*

Ovi Berca, *Secretary*

Peter Pursley, *Treasurer*

Philip Sullivan,

GOYA President



CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome back to all our students and parents! We hope you had a wonderful summer. The Youth Ministries staff has worked hard in the last few months to get organized for a new school year.

All Church School classes will begin on Sunday, September 12. Church school will begin at **11:15AM** after communion. There will be six classes for ages zero through Teens. The classes that will be offered and their teachers are:

- Pre-K and Kindergarten:
Maria Kerbow, Allison Medvic, Tina Molhoek

- First and Second grades:
Theresa Alexander
- Third and Fourth grades:
Esther Petercsak
- Fifth thru middle school:
Harriet Blake
- Teen-age:
Stephanie Kallis

There will be a registration table setup for September 5. Or, you may download a registration form on-line via the church website: www.stjohndfw.info. We request a donation to offset the cost of books and supplies

for the classrooms.

We will begin classes in the Paulos Center on September 5th. We will start in the new classrooms which were part of the church expansion after the FoodFest on October 17th. We're excited and are looking forward to the new classrooms.

Once school starts, additional information will be sent home with your children regarding the Achievement Awards Recognition standards and our Stewardship learning units and focus.

Khanh Moutafis



MY SUMMER AT CAMP EMANUEL

It was my first time traveling alone. We arrived early at the airport and waited for everybody to show up. I said bye to mom dad and my little sister and went through security.

On the plane ride there where older kids that have been at camp so I asked a few question. I asked about what do we do at camp when we arrive and they told me that we wait for the other campers and are put into groups based on our age. Everybody was so nice and helpful.

Most of us where so tired that we slept on the 2 hours drive to camp. We were broken up in to groups. Once I got to my group I met the other campers. I set my bed up and learnt are group name. Our group name was saint Spiridon. I like that saint because he was the bishop of Nicaea

he was at the first consul of Nicaea he also turned a brick into fire, water and dirt and back into a brick, at the consul meeting.

Every day we went to "church". Church was outside and our icons were on a stand. We had liturgy in the great outdoors. I didn't even know we can have liturgy outside. Afterwards we signed up for activities (some activities were swimming and the rock wall.) we went to play outdoor rec. Outdoor rec is like soccer or frisbee or other things. Then went to talk to the priest about walking with Christ. After lunch we talked to the priest about the miracles of Christ like raising people from the dead and himself. After we had evening church then we did another activity that was the

pattern most of the week. On Thursday we had mess day. You must be asking what is mess day? Well, mess day is when you play duck, duck, chocolate and lots of other messy games. One was when you run to a bowl of syrup put syrup on your face and run to dip your face in cheerios on your face. It was awesome

I hope I see more of us there next year.

Thanks Youth Ministries for paying for my registration.

Alex Genovezos

"AT CAMP EMANUEL WE HAD LITURGY IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS, I DID NOT KNEW THIS WAS POSSIBLE..."



Group Photo at Camp



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turned off by the temptations of the arena, chose to retire himself in the contemplation of nature, smelling flowers and listening to birds. It was his choice to keep himself out of his excited pack of bullying peers, not because he was weak or afraid, on the contrary, because he was twice strong, in body as in will.

Control however is a faculty that doesn't always come naturally and for most of us needs to be cultivated; learning to tame the animal in you

is not as easy as it sounds. That is the reason why the Church recommends moderation, fasting, vigils and other exercises that promote self-discipline. Only following this path the seeker will learn in time to control his affects and eventually will reach a stage where all the temptations will leave him cold and unmoved.

Until this moment however, we cannot allow our guard to go down with the illusion that we are ready to face anything that comes our way, for only "he who guards his way guards his life" (Pro16:17). The op-

tion will always be there: enter the ring of the raging bulls of sin, assuming the great danger of spiritual injuries or, take a detour to avoid sin and concentrate on the things that matter and "build up". Taking this good decision however is not just a matter of will, we cannot trust in our ability to make this choice alone at all times, but "the Lord gives strength to his people" (Ps 29:11) and in His help lies all our hope.

CHOIR NOTES

MEMORY ETERNAL, CONNIE AND WALTON SMART

In the beginning, it was Connie Smart's drive, persistence and love of our liturgical hymns that organized what surely must today be among the top choirs of its size in the Denver Metropolis... Connie and Walton Smart were among the four families who came together in early 1980 to plant the roots of our faith in the Mid-Cities area of Northeast Tarrant County. Connie, however, was the spark for the choir.

An accompanist by training, she and Walt moved to Texas from California where she had played for and sang with Frank Desby. Frank was the first of a new breed of American's of Greek heritage who worked to translate the ancient hymns of the Church into four part harmony with

twists in chords and notes that always seem to catch parishioners attention during liturgy. Connie learned under Frank, and she brought her knowledge to Texas. Prior to 1982 she attended Holy Trinity of Dallas and sang and played in the Dallas choir at the church on Ross Avenue before the new cathedral was erected. The news of the possible start of a new Greek Orthodox parish in the Mid-Cities caught both hers and Walt's interest, not so much because it would be closer to their Arlington home, but because here was the opportunity to give back what Connie had learned about the Church's liturgical music to a new group of parishioners, so

Connie gave back with passion and we loved her for it. There are so many funny and sometimes painful memories of Connie to relate... For me the happiest was on the very day of our first liturgy, Saturday morning, August 2nd, 1980. Liturgy was within minutes of beginning and Connie suddenly turned to me and said, let's sing the Doxology. With Connie leading me by the hand, we walked to the front beside the altar in St. Vincent's Episcopal Church, where we first held services, and we began to sing the Doxology from the "Red Book" by Anastasiou. I had never sang in church before but from the melodies of my childhood in



CHOIR NOTES

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Church, it started to come back, and that was the beginning of my church music career, it was Connie's doing and I am shedding tears as I

write this, (yes, I also get emotional when I write)... For me, the saddest part was watching Connie lead the choir with pain in her arms, she just couldn't hold them up for an entire liturgy, but she

went on and will always be remembered by those of us who were there in the beginning... Memory Eternal, Connie and Walton, and thank you.
George Vittas



The Holy Unmercenaries
Kosmas and Damianos

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Welcome back ladies to a new ecclesiastical year. A special welcome to those new members and new faces that inspire us to even greater heights. Let us reflect on the ministries we are called upon to support in His service. We have an exciting year of events planned and look forward to support in His service. We have an exciting year of events planned and look forward to much support from you dear sisters.

During our recent trip to Atlanta, Georgia for the Clergy/Laity Bi-Annual Convention, we were provided with valuable information by our National Philoptochos. We look forward to sharing

the wonderful progress with you at our first meeting of the year, on September 19, 2010. In addition, we will be discussing our many programs for the upcoming year.

Please note that our calendar has been placed on our website. All dates and events are posted for your review. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at bertgina@yahoo.com with questions.

As always, any and all suggestions are welcomed and encouraged so *please, please* attend our monthly meetings. We do try to keep them brief so that we can all enjoy the rest of the afternoon with our families. Please see a board

member for details.

St. Irene's Philoptochos will be hosting a light brunch/reception with His Eminence, Metropolitan Isaiah on Saturday, September 11th at approximately 12:30 pm in the Paulos Center. His Eminence will be available for us to share our trials, tribulations and victories. I encourage you all to make plans on attending, it's not often we have him with us, so let's take advantage of this gathering. Further information will be provided shortly.

In His Love,
Bertha Gianulis
President

ST. IRENE'S
PHILOPTOCHOS
WILL BE HOSTING
A LIGHT BRUNCH/
RECEPTION WITH
HIS EMINENCE,
METROPOLITAN
ISAIAH ON
SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 11TH

FROM THE DESERT FATHERS

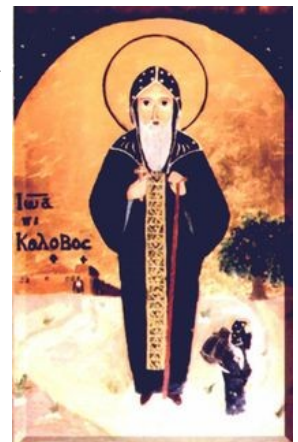
Abba Poemen said of Abba John the Dwarf that he had prayed God to take his passions away from him so that he might become free from care.

He went and told an old man this: 'I find myself in peace, without an enemy,' he said.

The old man said to him, 'Go, beseech God to stir up warfare so that you may regain the affliction and humility that you used to have, for it is by warfare that the soul makes progress.'

So he besought God and when warfare came, he no longer

prayed that it might be taken away, but said, 'Lord, give me strength for the fight.'



Abba John the Dwarf

AGELESS WONDERS



The Ageless Wonders will be having an afternoon of "live theater" on Saturday, September 25th, 2010. We are going to the Artisan Theater in Hurst, to see the matinee performance of South Pacific. This is a recent revival on Broadway and has been a long time favorite. The show starts at 3p.m. and we will meet at the theater at 2:30p.m. We will go to a local restaurant for dinner after the play. This is a great opportunity for everyone who can't make our daytime activities to join us for some fun!!!!.....Check your e-mail for moreMargaret 817-354-7731.....

GLADSOME LIGHT DIALOGUES

We will continue our Glad-some Light Dialogues in September, when will be back with more and exciting programs for you.

But wait, we're not completely gone, during the summer don't forget to visit our weekly updated blog at <http://dialogues.stjohndfw.info>

FESTIVAL BAKING

Festival baking has begun and is full swing. All dates and times have been listed on the calendar for September. All other dates are listed in the weekly bulletin. All volunteers are welcome to assist in the preparations for our delicious bakery goods for this years festival.

FESTIVAL
BAKING
SEPTEMBER
7TH AND 28TH

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 Genevesos, 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

COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

- 1st Sun.: Mr. & Mrs. Manolis Arapis
- 2nd Sun: Philoptochos
- 3rd Sun: Parish Council
- 4th Sun: Ageless Wonders
- 5th Sun: Parish Council (If Applicable)

COFFEE HOUR DUTIES

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.

Thank-You

St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church

September 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
		Vespers 6:00PM	 Ecclesiastical New Year Holy Liturgy 6:00 AM		+	Great Vespers 6:00PM
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
15th Sunday of Matthew Orthros 8:30 AM Holy Liturgy 9:30 AM		Baking Koulourakia 9:00 AM Vigil 6:00PM	 Nativity of the Theotokos Holy Liturgy 6:00 AM		+	Great Vespers 5:00PM 30 Year Anniversary Dinner 6:00 PM
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Sunday before the Holy Cross Orthros 8:30 AM Hierarchical Liturgy 9:30 AM New Church Groundbreaking	Vigil 6:00PM	+ Elevation of the Holy Cross Holy Liturgy 6:00AM	+ Paraklesis 6:00 PM		+	Great Vespers 6:00PM
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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26	27	28	29	30		
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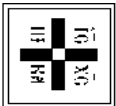
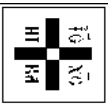
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