

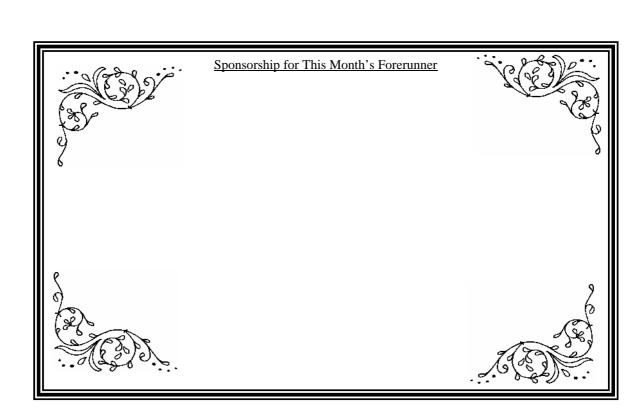
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## September 2009

## Schedule of Regular Services at St. John's Summer Schedule

Sunday, September 6:	Holy Liturgy,	9 A.M.
Sunday, September 13:	Holy Liturgy,	9 A.M.
Sunday, September 20:	Holy Liturgy,	9 A.M.
Sunday, September 27:	Holy Liturgy	9 A.M.

#### Orthodox Calendar

See enclosed calendar for dates, times, and places for the Special services and other events this month.

## **Council Capsule**

My Fellow Parishioners,

The date for our annual Food Festival is fast approaching.

I wanted to express my appreciation for all the support that many of you have given to this important event. It is essential that we all continue our best efforts in the extensive preparations needed to insure that we are ready. For example, there will be several days more of baking required during early October. This sort of activity along with the extensive set-up and logistical requirements is a challenge to all of us.

While Fr, Vasile and our other beloved Church religious leaders continue to insure our spiritual welfare, we are heavily dependent on the income of the Food Festival to give us the where with all to keep our Church operational for the next year.

The festival income and the unselfish contributions by our Church stewards are absolutely necessary if we are to enjoy the benefits of a healthy and prosperous Congregation. This includes the many charitable and youth oriented functions that we accomplish.

Please continue to give of your time and effort so that St. John The Baptist Greek Orthodox Church stays the vibrant and wonderful Family it has always been.

Harry Karegeannes Council President

## **Father Vasile's Message**

#### Education and true knowledge

What our children are missing in school today

Another school year started this week. Future scientists, engineers, doctors begin their journey today, a journey through rationality and logic in the hope of pushing further away today's science barriers. During the following school years these children will be taught mathematics, physics, chemistry and other subjects that will reveal to them, step by step, "how things work" in the world. Their education will be enveloped in the overall idea that everything can be explained through science and the things that do not have an explanation today will receive one tomorrow. They will learn that man is a random event in the evolution process, that there is no proven life after death, and God was a cultural necessity in the trying times of history.

I have no quarrel with science and progress myself, as I've spent most of my years studying and I use technology extensively on a daily basis, I am only wondering if the arrogant attitude that science has developed, and that it is being transmitted to our children, is in fact healthy from a Christian point of view.

The secular knowledge that our children are acquiring in school is giving them a certain point of view on the world that I am not sure is the right one. Using it they will certainly understand the world a little better, but is this going to be enough for them? Is the secular education really going to open their eyes or is will actually make them see what the society wants them to see, while leaving aside everything else?

As Christians we cannot believe that religion is a cultural phenomenon that can be taught in school or even a philosophy of life, or just another meta-narration trying to explain the unexplainable, but we believe that the reality of God is the only reality there is. The world is not what the scientist and the philosophers think it is in their overworked brains: the reality of being is beyond interpretation because the truth lies with God that IS the Truth. From this perspective the existence of God doesn't have to be mathematically proven; the Scripture should not undergo a literary and historical analysis and morality should not be dictated by logic and historical experience. This is just human hubris at its best.

Blessed Augustine said something in the 4th century and the echoes of his words profoundly resound until today in the West: "Reason leads to faith, and faith leads to reason. I believe but I am rational". On this basis even faith matters are pushed through the rationality's strainer, leaving aside any mystery, any unknown, anything beyond man's power of comprehension and logical deduction.

The Orthodox teachings, as expressed numerous times by the Holy Fathers, undergo a different route by recognizing two levels of knowledge: a divine or revealed level (higher) and a secular (lower) level. This dichotomy speaks to the insurmountable difference between the Uncreated and the created, between God and His creation, the world.

The secular knowledge is solely based on logic and empirical experience and reaches only as far as the discoveries of the day go. Human knowledge is born in the created order and it ends in the same place without any possibility of transcending the matter into the spiritual realm. Originating in a fallen world,

a world that has lost any transparence to the true existence, the vision of science and philosophy is limited and warped; everything passing through its glass being distorted and tainted as well.

Despite this reality we continue to live with the illusion that, using the tools springing from our limited human knowledge, we can logically penetrate anything, even the intimacy of God. Without realizing it however, using our "non-calibrated" tools we are actually constructing a distorted vision of God that is far from His true existence.

Man seems to have forgotten the answer that Moses received when asking God who He is. "And Moses said to God, Behold, when I come to the sons of Israel, and shall say to them, The God of your fathers has sent me to you, and they shall say to me, What is His name? What shall I say to them? And God said to Moses, I AM THAT I AM." (Exo 3:13-14). God is not Who we think He is but He is WHO HE IS! In trying to logically understand God through reason man is in fact constructing himself an idol, a fake god that is what man wants him to be not what He really is in His essence.

Trying to logically understand God at a mental level is not enough because there is a great distinction between the intellect of man (the logos or mind) and his spirit (nous). According to the Holy Fathers the nous is the eye of the soul, the only part of man's being capable of understanding God and His rationality. The heart however, through sin has been separated from the mind and now the mind, missing the true vision of God, is making up what it fails to see, like a blind man that never saw a sunset tries to imagine it.

Achieving the knowledge of God is a two way process that involves man's commitment and

God's grace. Man has to actively engage in the permanent struggle against his passions that we call askesis, trying to reach a state of purification. God at his turn pours His grace over us, revealing Himself only to a heart liberated from sin and from counterfeit imagination. God is present only in a heart that is not trying to construct an artificial God through reason, but awaits for God to come and abide in it. The presence of God is enough in itself to answer all the questions and put to rest all the fears our minds have constructed. This cannot be understood through logic, or described in theory, it has to be experienced

Education should not only enlighten the minds of our children but it should not fail to touch their hearts. In fact we want their minds to be united again with their hearts so that the wisdom they will acquire will serve one purpose only: give glory to God for all things. This is the kind of knowledge that our children are missing in schools today. They cannot learn of God in the classrooms because in the name of political correctness every shadow of God is incessantly and obsessively removed from their education. There was a time when prayers were read at the beginning of the New School year and the kids were sprinkled with Holy Water; today they get motivating speeches.

The truth of our Faith is not taught in schools, but it can still be passed from generation to generation, not through books, but through example, not through the ears but through the heart. Don't forget therefore to offer your children, beside the usual school supplies, a prayer and a blessing so that their school days will be filled with grace, peace and love.

"O Lord our God, Who dwell unapproachable light; You are the fountain of wisdom and learning; You taught wisdom to Solomon, and through the descent of the Holy Spirit made the fishermen preachers of the Gospel, teachers and Apostles; You have said, O Lord, "Let light shine out of darkness" Shine with the knowledge of Your truth and Your unwaning light in the hearts of those who teach and those who are taught in this institution; grant them the spirit of wisdom and the spirit of understanding; illumine the eyes of their souls so that they may come to know and do your will; and make them children of light, who bring forth fruit in every good undertaking, and grow through divine wisdom; through the intercessions of your all-pure and all-blameless holy Mother, of the holy, glorious and all-praised Hierarchs and ecumenical teachers basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom and of al your saints. Amin."

## **Financial Report**

YTD thru 6/30/2009			
	2008	2009	Budget
Stewardshi	p 65,939	71,003	87,500
Total Incom	me 83,313	93,311	104,842
Expense	96,735	87,670	90,929
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## **Stewardship News**

As of 8/16/09 we have 111 pledges for a total of \$140,940.

It looks as though we may not reach our goal this year as we are approximately \$34,000 short at this time. We could, however, get a lot closer if those of you who have not pledged would find it in your hearts to make a commitment to support our church. We need your help!!!

To those of you who have already become stewards and to the many who increased their pledge, we thank you.

#### 2009 Stewards

Alexander, Leo & Teresa Anderson, Anthony Antahades, Dr. Lou & Judyth Arapis, Minoli & Marsha Ball, David Ballas, Andy & Pat Basiliadis, Nick & Dr. Marge Began, John Berca, Sorin & Carmen Bitner, Carol Blake, John & Harriett Bogdos, George & Sotera Bogordos, George & Kasandra Bokoyas, Jim & Kiki Boutris, Haralambos Brandon, Roberta Cain. Michael & Melina Callesen, John Chokas, Margaret

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Vittas, George & Barbara

Vittas, Johnny & Mel Vloitos, Nick & Rayanna Walenty, Lisa Walker, Jim & Harriett Wozniak, Matthew Wright, Bill & Christine Yalmaz, Diana Yiantsou, Dr. Chris & Margo Zingas, Ari & Olga

## New Schedule of Services Starting September 13th

Due to the popularity of our Summer month schedule we decided to keep an earlier hour throughout the year. Therefore starting September 13th Services will start as follows:

Orthros 8:30 AM Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM

Vespers and Paraklesis services will continue at the same hour: 6:00 PM.

We hope you will enjoy the flexibility these earlier hour will give you throughout the year.

## **Philoptochos News**

Have a wonderful summer! Yours, in Christ Bertha

#### **Youth Ministries on the Move**

At the Galatobouriko workshop we had a fantastic "can do" experience with our young ones! Serving as "butter and filling expeditors" were Athena Adaska, Alex and

Katerina Genovezos, and Penelopi Yiantsou. Saved the rest of us many steps and lots of time!

As FoodFest preparations continue it is encouraging to see some new faces among the dancers and some maturing good looks among the returning ones. We are wishing them well in this fun and important youth activity.

A reminder that on the same day as CHURCH SCHOOL starts, Youth Ministries is sponsoring the BRATS, BURGERS AND BEANS BACK TO SCHOOL LUNCHEON. Church school will end a few minutes early so families can enjoy lunch together. Your Free Will Donation allows us to continue our worthwhile programs for our parish youth. Thanks!

If you haven't yet read this article in the current (July-August) ORTHODOX OBSERVER, please take time to read page 24; subject is on "Multiple Intelligence Theory" and Learning in the Orthodox Church. It is very well written and quite informative with great ideas for parents. Stephania Gianulis, the author is the niece of our Gianulis family! Her father is a Chaplain in the U.S. Navy.

## LOCAL WINNERS PLACE At Archdiocese Oratorical Festival

In March of this year, our parish hosted the Metropolis of Denver Oratorical Contest. It was a gathering of youth from all parishes in the Metropolis, sharing their talent of knowledge about our Faith through a prepared speech. Two winners were chosen from every Metropolis across the country and those students went on to the national festival held in Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota in June of this year.

We are happy to report that the two winners chosen here at St. John's for the Denver Metropolis, Anastasia Zavitsanos and Megan Dolan, placed in the top 3 of the National winners!! Anastasia, from the Annunciation Cathedral in Houston won third place in the junior division and was awarded a \$1,000 college scholarship. Megan, from St. Sophia Church in San Antonio, won second place in the senior division and was awarded a \$1,500 college scholarship.

Thank you to all from the parish who volunteered and participated in this worthy event, thus helping these two scholars move on in the competition and have fabulous results on the National level.

As stated by our own Youth Ministries group, we hope to keep the oratorical festival high on the list of priorities on our parish agenda for years to come. Who knows, maybe there is a winner in our midst?

Metropolis Oratorical Committee of St. John the Baptist

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

#### **GOYA**

COME JOIN US! GOYA will be meeting on Sunday, August 30th immediately following church services. We will meet in the "GOYA" room located in the Paulos Center. We welcome everyone between the ages of 12 -18 to participate. See you there!

If you are between the ages of 12 and 18 and would like to be a member of GOYA, please contact one of the officers.

Maggie Mohloek, President Philip Sullivan, Vice President Mallory Chokas, Treasurer Nina Papadamitriou, Secretary

Philip Sullivan Vice-President

#### **Orthodox Observer**

We have recently learned that there are several parishioners that have not been receiving the Orthodox Observer. If you wish to receive this publication, you can contact them at 212-570-3555 or go to www.observer.goarch.org

## **Gladsome Light Dialogues**

Gladsome Light Dialogues is coming back in September with a load of new topics and ideas.

Opening night will be on September 16th, after Paraklesis. Join us for a Pot Luck Dinner to kick off together another year of Dialogues.

Until then this time don't forget to keep in touch with us on the web at the newly redesigned blog at:

http://dialogues.stjohndfw.info

#### **Festival Dancers**

It's that time again! The festival is quickly approaching and dance practices will begin very soon. Please be aware that practices must be attended in order to participate in the festival dance performances.

## ALL GROUPS WILL BEGIN PRACTICES ON AUGUST 16TH!!!

Parents, it is very important that you try to bring your children to every practice. The festival would not be what it is without all of their smiling faces on stage!

If you have any questions, or would like to join our dance troupe, please contact Laurie at laurie\_cortinas@live.com.

## 2009 Foodfest Update

We have had great response for committee sign ups; thank you one and all. As of today, the following KEY Chairs are still open and need a volunteer quickly:

Tent setup and take-down Coffee/market Children area Grill Insurance Baking coordinator Kourambiethes Melomacarona Dolmathes Rizogalo

We also need several co-coordinators. As we're all aware the food festival cannot happen without everybody's help. Your help and dedication is greatly appreciated. The signup sheet is located in the Hall, or please see George or Olypmia Genovezos or Chris Geil

## 2009 Greek Fest Baking Schedule

Please be sure to mark these dates on your calendar. All parishioners are welcomed to come and assist in any way they can. Remember, this is for YOUR festival and everyone benefits from your assistance and participation.

Baklava Friday October 2nd Bread Monday October 5th Rizogalo Wednesday October 7th

#### **Practical Faith**

#### To a Priest about the World Crisis

By St. Nikolai (Velimirovic)

You ask me, O man of God, where did today's crisis come from and what does it mean? Who am I to be asked about such a great thing? "You should only speak when what you have to say is better than silence," says St. Gregory the Theologian. And even though I believe that silence would be better right now, I will give you my opinion on it for the sake of my love for you.

Crisis is a Greek word, and it means judgment. In the Holy Scripture this word is used many times. The Psalmist says, "therefore, the godless will not stand up in judgment" (Ps. 1: 5). In another place, it says, "I sing of mercy and judgment" (Ps. 101: 1). Wise Solomon writes, "the judgment of all comes from the Lord" (Prov. 29: 26). The Savior Himself said that "the Father has given all judgment to the Son," and later "now is the judg¬ment of the world come" (John 5: 22, 12: 31). Apostle Peter writes, "for it is time that the judgment of God's house begin" (1 Pet. 4: 17).

Replace the word judgment with crisis and read, "therefore, the godless will not stand up in crisis - I sing of mercy and crisis - toe crisis of all comes from the Lord - the Father has given all crisis to the Son - now is the crisis of the world come - for it is time that the crisis of God's house begin.

So far, European nations have used the word judgment in¬stead of crisis, whenever some trouble fell upon them. Now, the old word is replaced with the new - the understandable with the incomprehensible. When there was a drought, people would say, "God's judgment!" When there was a flood, "God's judgment!"

When there was a war or a plague, "God's judgment!" When there was hail, earthquakes, pests, mice and other troubles, again and every time God's judgment! And that meanscrisis through droughts, crisis through floods, through wars, plagues etc. Today's financial-economic trouble is also considered by the people to be God's judgment, but they don't say judgment, but crisis. So that the trials are multiplied through confusion! For when we used an understandable word, judgment, we also under—stood the cause of the trouble; we knew the judge who allowed the trials; and the goal of the trial was also known.

However, as soon as we used the word crisis, a word incomprehensible to all and every one, nobody knows how to explain anything - why, where from, to what end? That is the only difference between today's crisis and those crises of drought, flood, war, plague, in¬sects or other pestilences.

Do you ask me about the cause of today's crisis or today's judgment of God? The cause is the same forever and ever. The cause of droughts, floods, plagues, and other whips of mankind is also the cause of today's crisis: apostasy of the people. The people have caused this crisis by the sin of apostasy, and God has allowed it in order to awaken the people, that they might come to their senses, become more spiritual and return to Him. Through modern sins comes modern crisis. God really did use modern means to put some sense into modern people - He struck the banks, the stock markets, finances and currencies. He has overturned the tables of the exchangers around the world, just as He did a long time ago in the Temple in Jerusalem. He has created an unprecedented panic among the merchants and money exchangers. He lifts, casts down, stirs, confuses, fright-ens. All to make the wise little heads of European and American wise men wake up, come to their senses and become more spiri-tual. So that being anchored in the harbors of material security, they might remember their souls; confess their transgressions and bow down to the Almighty God - the Living God.

How long will the crisis last? As long as the people's spirit remains unchanged. Until those haughty people who caused this crisis capitulate before the Almighty. Until the peoples and nations remember to translate the incomprehensible word crisis into their own languages so that they may say "God's judgment!" You also, honorable father, ought

to say "God's judgment" instead of crisis and everything will be clear.

Greetings and peace to you.

#### **Choir Notes**

No news to report this month.

Musically yours, Bill Poletes

#### **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 13. Church school will begin at 11:45AM after communion.

There will be six classes for ages zero through Teens. The classes that will be offered and their teachers are:

- •Nursery: Marsha Arapis
- •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: Pavlina Feichtinger
- •Teen-age: Harriet Blake and Guests

There will be a registration table setup for September 6. 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.

Due to our growth, we've divided the nursery into two classrooms and will move the Fifth thru Middle School classroom into the new classroom above the church hall. Please remind your child of this change on the first day of school. Nursery and the Middle school students will remain in the church building and go upstairs for their instructional time.

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

## **Ageless Wonders**

The Ageless Wonders will meet on Tuesday, September 15th, at 11:00 A.M.. in the Paulos Center for a potluck luncheon. We will discuss our agenda for the 09/10 year. Please come

and bring all your great ideas! Anyone 50+ is welcome to join us!

I'll have details on our trip to San Antonio too! .Don't forget that the A.W. are the Greeters for our Greekfest, so plan on helping at that time.

Call me fomore info......Margaret...817-354-7731.

## **Building Committee**

The new Church design drawings were submitted in late July to the City of Euless for review and comment. The review went well and the Ashton Wynne-managed Design Team is in the process of acting upon several recommended design changes.

This month we will be receiving the 75% progress Construction Document (CD) drawing set for review and comment. As was offered for the past review, we will post the drawings on the website for all parishioners to view. In addition, the Building Committee will host it's final Open House Design Review of the 75% CD drawings on Tuesday, September 15th in the Hall beginning at 6:00pm. Please feel free to stop by for the review session. After comments are collected and returned, we are striving for the Design Team to complete the 100% CD drawing set by the end of September.

Joe Sullivan Building Committee Chairman Capital Campaign Committee

# Capital Campaign Committee "Building our Future"

The CCC hosted a short program on Sunday, August 16th, to introduce Mr. Blackmore of RSI and informally kickoff the Capital Campaign. Mark gave a brief description of the Campaign, describing it as a program of information designed to inspire commitment on the part of all parishioners, stewards and non-stewards, to support the building program with three (3) year pledge commitments. A small number of individual parishioners will work with the Capital Campaign Committee as team leaders to perform various functions during Campaign. Part of the campaign will be designed to appeal to past or potential future benefactors of the Parish who might also be desirous of helping to foster our growth and advancement through the "Building Our Future" campaign... The Campaign will culminate on December 13, 2009 with an "All Parish Commitment Day" event. We hope to have much to celebrate after that and it is presently contemplated to combine the Annual Parish Name Day Event with the Building Our Future campaign celebration at a dinner-dance in January 2010.

George Vittas CCC Chairman 817 874-6128 / 817 283-4680

#### **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 our Greek Fest site is up at http://midcitiesgreekfest.info

Your's in Christ, Sorin Berca, Website Administrator

#### **Usher Schedule**

1st Sunday: George Moutafis, Cynthia

Pursley

2nd Sunday: Peter Talleos,, Raj Shah 3rd Sunday: Bill Wright, Tim Cline 4th Sunday: Barbara Vittas, Larry Leeders

4th Sunday: Barbara Vittas, Larry Leeders
5th Sunday: Nancy Medvic, Allyson Medvic

## **Nursery Attendants Schedule**

The nursery is available for parents to use. The nursery does not have caregivers. Children of any age should not be left alone in the nursery. Thank you in advance for keeping the nursery clean and organized.

Marsha Arapis: marshaarapis@yahoo.com

### **Acolyte Schedule**

1st Sunday: Phillip Sullivan, Peter Pursley,

John Molhoek

2nd Sunday: Alex Shah, Ovidiu Berca,

Patrick Sullivan, Philip Sullivan

3rd Sunday: Jackson Wright, Joey Basiliadis,

Alex Genevezos, James Seals

4th Sunday: Bennett Kerbow, Ovi Berca,

James Seals, Alex Shah

5th Sunday: Phillip Sullivan, Jackson

Wright, Ovi Berca Acolyte Search

#### To all Parishioners:

We are looking for our young boys to join the ranks of our outstanding Acolytes for this coming Fall. If you boy is interested, please see either Father Vasile, or Bill Wright. The commitment is typically one Sunday a month. We would welcome their service to the Church and to Father!

Coffee Hour Schedule

1st Sun.: Mr. & Mrs. Michael Mohloek

2nd Sun: Philoptochos3rd Sun: Parish Council4th 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.

#### THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

# 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.