

Word for the Day

The Holy Unmercenaries

Holy Unmercenaries is a title applied to a number of Christian saints who did not accept payment for good deeds. These include healers or Christian physicians who, in opposition to medical practice of the day, tended to the sick free of charge. They included:

Sts. Cosmas and Damian (d. ca 303), Saints Zenaida and Philonella (d. ca. 100), St. Tryphon (d. ca 250), Sts. Cyrus and John (d. ca 304), St. Panteleimon, St. Sampson the Hospitable (d. 530), and Martyr Thalelaeus in Cilicia (d. 284).



Thank you to Fr. Igor for the following text:

Discipleship

“It is imperative for the Christian to achieve renunciation, to practice self-effacement, to distinguish his life from the life of the world. He must let grace be grace indeed...Cheap grace is the grace wick amounts to the justification of sin without the justification of the repentant sinner who departs from sin and from whom sin departs. Cheap grace is not the kind of forgiveness of sin which frees us from the toils of sin. Cheap grace is the grace we bestow on ourselves.

Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, Communion without confession, absolution without personal confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the Cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate.”

from D. Bonhoeffer, The Cost of Discipleship

ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish Of The New England Diocese ✝ Orthodox Church In America

November 5, 2017

22nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 5. Synaxis of the Holy Unmercenaries. Martyr Galaction and his wife, Epistemis, at Emesa (3rd c.). Repose of St. Jonah, Archbishop of Novgorod (1470). Apostles Patrobus, Hermes, Linus, Gaius, and Philologus, of the Seventy (1st c.). St. Gregory, Archbishop of Alexandria (9th c.)



Synaxis of the Holy Unmercenaries

Divine Services

Wed., Nov. 1Reader's Vespers.....**6:30 p.m.**
(followed by Study Group)

Sat., Nov. 4 Reader's Vespers.....**5:00 p.m.**

Sat. Nov. 12Divine Liturgy**9:30 a.m.**
Hours Begin at 9:00 a.m.

Today's Readings

Epistle: Galatians 6:11-18

Gospel: Luke 8:41-56

Next Week's Readings

Ephesians 2:4-10

Luke 10:25-37

For Next Week, Nov. 12

Hours and Thanksgiving Prayers.....Lucian Radulescu

Epistle:Lisa Goudey

Coffee Hour:Diane Dunn

In Memory of: Matushka Marie Kreta, mother of Fr. John Kreta, our Chancellor and Diocesan Administrator. Her funeral was Oct, 31 at St. Tikhon's Monastery. Mat. Marie reposed on Monday, Oct.. 23.

For the health and well-being of Archpriest Joseph and Matushka Julia, Abdullah, David, Tony, Stanislav, Leonard, Timothy, Helen, Fenaeda, Raya, Dennis, Svetlana, Konstantin, Vladislav, Nancy, Maria, Al, Michael, Ludmila, Nick, Koren, Katya, Alexandra, Irina, Gregory, Mat. Myra, Theodore, Helen and Carol.

November Birthdays

Mat. Mary Gall (11/06), Yanet Tafet (11/09), Ana Radulescu (11/20), Patricia Davis (11/21), Helen Makdisi (11/23), Joyce Makdisi (11/23) **Anniversaries:** Danton and Elena Papurkov (11/14); Nick and Marina (11/30)

Announcements

Welcome Back Fr. Igor and Deacon Michael: We hope you had a good trip to Detroit!

November Charity. We are collecting for the local **Barton's Crossing**, a homeless shelter across the street. The funds we collect this month will be use to purchase toiletries and other items needed for residents of the shelter.

Today: Barton's Crossing Meal Donation - Thank you to Team C Team Members are Nick, Marina, Barbara, Diana F., and Lucian for bringing food today.

By-Laws: If you are interested in working on a by-law committee that will be formed in early 2018 or have suggestions for additions to the new by-laws please contact Fr. John or Senior Executive Officer Rick Goudey.

Diocesan Assembly Report: please see insert for a brief summary of last week's Diocesan Assembly in Vermont attended by Diane Dunn and Irene Vassos

Upcoming Events

Nick Bobrovsky Surgery Nov 9 in Boston: Nick will undergo open heart surgery this Thursday, Nov. 9 at Mass General Hospital in Boston. We are all praying for a good outcome and want to see Nick back in church as soon as he is ready!! Prayers for the Bobrovsky family!

Thanksgiving Meal Nov. 23 at 1:00 p.m. Tanya is organizing a Thanksgiving meal in the rectory for those who would like to gather on Thanksgiving Day. a roasted turkey will be provided. Please let Tanya know if you will attend and the side-dish you can bring from this pot-luck event.

Snow Phone Tree: We will be creating a Telephone Tree for alerting members of the Parish to weather conditions that would result in our need to cancel Sunday church services. Please stay tuned for this list!

St. Nicholas Food Basket: Remember to donate to the local food pantry by bringing canned and nonperishable donations for the basket in the back.

Barton's Crossing Meal Schedule

(a charity ministry of St. Nicholas)

Today Nov 5: Team C: Spaghetti/Meat Balls
(Nick, Marina, Barbara, Diana F., Lucian)

Dec 3: Team A: Chicken-Macaroni Casserole
(Tanya, Irina T, Alla Y, Paula, Galina)

Collections

Last Week's Collection.....\$803

2017 Budget\$96,142

Progress Towards Budget...\$70,507