



ST. GREGORY'S DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Thursday, August 21

Postfeast of the Dormition/Apostle Thaddeus

12:00 noon Prayer of the Sixth Hour

Friday, August 22

Postfeast of the Dormition/Martyr Agathonicus

7:00 P.M. Moleben for Those Suffering from Alcohol or Drug Dependence

Saturday, August 23

Final Day of the Dormition of the Theotokos

5:00 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for +Lois J. Rodman, given by Jenn and John Kiss

Sunday, August 24

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:10 A.M. Third Hour

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

The Epistle Reading will be I Corinthians 9:2-12 and the Gospel will be Matthew 18:23-35. Supplications will be offered for +Wayne Chupko, given by John & Julia Pete. Following the Divine Liturgy, please join us in the Church hall for refreshments and Christian fellowship.

Christ often comes and knocks at your door and you invite Him to sit in the living-room of your soul. Then, absorbed in your own business you forget the Great Visitor. He waits for you to appear and when you are too long in returning, He gets up and leaves. At other times, you are so busy that you answer him from the window. You don't even have time to open the door.

- Elder Amphilocios

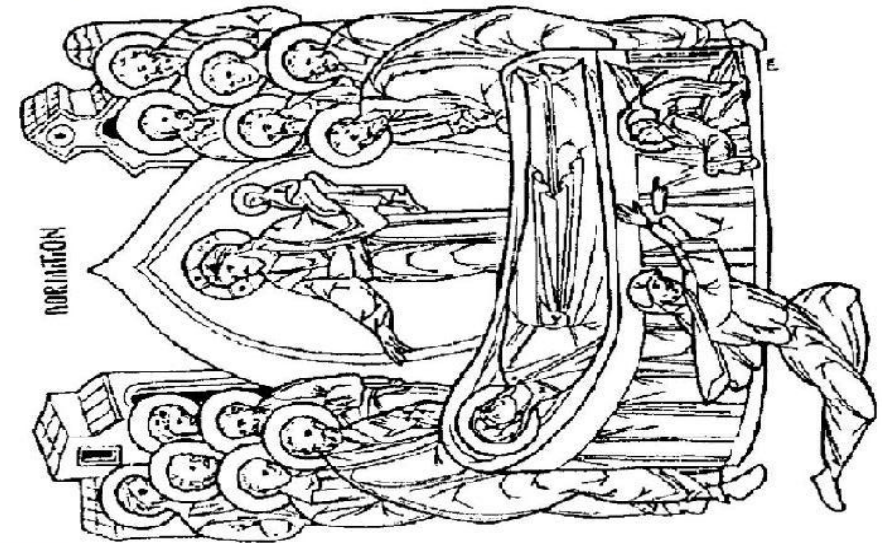
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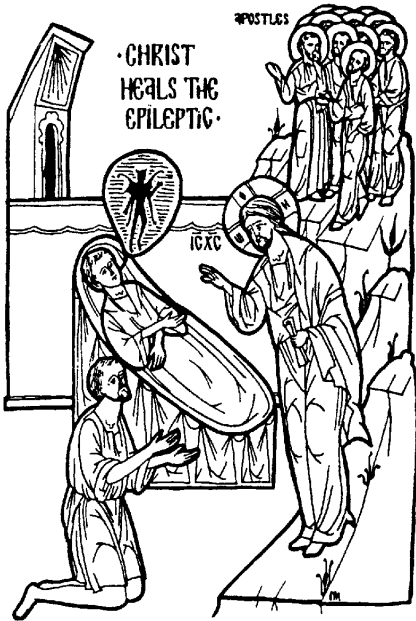
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Angels August Fifteenth Soul Thomas

Apostles Christ Mary Theotokos Virgin





Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

In today's Gospel Reading Our Lord said that the disciples who were unable to heal the boy were FAITHLESS. What does it mean to have faith?

Faith is what comes of an encounter with the Lord beyond words and human concepts. It is the result of a face to face, heart to heart encounter with the living God. Faith is a gift given by God to those who have purified their hearts, to those who have learned how to sit at the feet of the Lord in silence and who practice moment by moment, day by day, month by month and year after year the constant remembrance of His presence. Faith is a return to the truth of who we are as human beings created in His image and likeness. It is the rising within us of the rivers of living water promised by Christ to those who have, as St. Seraphim

so beautifully taught, acquired the Holy Spirit. Faith is released in us from the depths of our souls when we have taken out the garbage that obstructs the image and let go of everything that is unhelpful, unloving and unhealthy.

SEPTEMBER BOOK CLUB - LIBRARY MINISTRY

You're invited!

Join us on September 23rd at 6:30 in the Church Hall for a stimulating discussion of Meg Wolitzer's acclaimed novel, "The Interestings"!

"The Interestings" delves into the complexities of friendship, talent, success, and the choices we make throughout life. The story follows a group of creative individuals who forge a bond at an artsy summer camp in 1974, tracing their journeys from teenage aspirations to the realities of adulthood, including the triumphs and disappointments that shape them. This should be a wonderful September, back-to-school read!

Books are available starting this weekend in the back of the church.

Announcements

Wednesday: Single Seniors Luncheon

The Single Senior's Luncheon for August is scheduled at 11:30 am on Wednesday, August 20th, at Bella's on Fort Couch (91 Fort Couch Road). Please make your reservation by calling Mary Eicher at 724-743-5909. Our Single Seniors Ministry of St. Gregory's is for men and women who have never married or have lost a spouse through death, divorce, or separation. As a group, it is our goal to provide spiritual, emotional, and mental support for one another. Please come and join us for this luncheon.

Thursday: Sixth Hour and Soup

On Thursday, August 21st, at 12:00 noon we will have the Prayer of the Sixth Hour followed by soup and bread in the Church hall. If you are at home, come and join us for this time of prayer and fellowship.

Friday: Moleben for Those Suffering from Alcohol or Drug Dependence

Join us on Friday evening, August 22nd at 7:00 p.m. as we will offer a special Moleben-Prayer Service, during which our prayerful supplications will be offered for those suffering from Alcohol or Drug dependence. Be part of this prayerful event as we pray before the icon of the Mother of God known as the "Inexhaustible Cup" for all those afflicted by chemical and alcohol dependence.

Next Sunday: Bethany Ministry Meeting

With the celebration of the Dormition of the Theotokos, we will have a Bethany Ministry Meeting on Sunday, August 24th. This meeting will take place in the parish library. Be part of this important meeting as we plan visitations during this season.

Honoring Grandparents

In the beginning of the month of September we honor the holy and righteous Joachim and Anna, parents of the Theotokos and grandparents of Our Lord. In our parish family on Saturday and Sunday, September 6-7, we will have a special blessing of grandparents to mark the special relationship Our Savior had with his grandparents and honoring those who are grandparents in our parish community. Following the Sunday Divine Liturgy, we will continue with this celebration in our Church hall with refreshments and fellowship.

Haven't Seen Someone in a While?

Visit them or give them a call or an email. It is nice to hear from a friend from Church. Let them know that you miss seeing them and hope that everything is okay.



Collection- May God bless you...

The total for Sunday, August 10th, 2025, was \$5,118.09 (Envelopes: \$3,977.00; Online: \$429.09; Loose: \$162.00; Candles: \$40.00; Maintenance: \$295.00; Dormition: \$15.00; Flowers: \$45.00; Children: \$2.00; Coffee Fund: \$153.00).

***Flea Market 2025: \$4,602.00

The QR code will take you to our donation portal. Your engagement, support and prayers are very much appreciated.

Mark Your Calendars: St. Gregory’s Golf Outing

This year’s Golf Outing at Lindenwood Golf Club is scheduled for Sunday, September 21st (11:50 am start).

In the Church vestibule we have sign-up sheets for participation in this fun golf event. Looking forward to a good time on the “links”!!!!



***The Dormition Outreach:
School Supplies for the Children***

As we continue to celebrate the Dormition of our Lady, our outreach this year is to help collect school supplies for local children in need. Donations are needed for all ages from preschool through high school. In the Mother of

God Chapel, we have a poster describing this outreach and bins for collecting these items.

We are collecting the following items: new backpacks, colored pencils, 24-pack crayons, erasers, glue sticks, highlighters, markers, notebooks, binders, pen, pencils/mechanical pencils, pencil boxes/sharpeners, rulers, scissors, and calculators.

The final day to bring your donations is Sunday, August 24th. As a parish family, let us all be part of this collection and help local kids start school right!

“If we share with the poor, out of love for God, whatever he has given to us, we shall receive according to his promise a hundredfold in eternal happiness.”

- St. John of God

***Announcing St. Gregory’s
Parish Picnic 2025***

Our St. Gregory’s Parish Picnic will take place on Sunday, September 14th following the Divine Liturgy. The picnic will be held in our Church hall and on the parish grounds. As part of this event, we will also have games, music, and the PETTING ZOO is coming back!



Our St. Gregory’s Men’s Club will be providing charcoal grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, buns and rolls, and condiments.

Sign-up sheets for this fun event are available in the Church vestibule.

We are asking parishioners whose last names begin with letters A-M to provide desserts and with letters N-Z to provide appetizers/side dishes.

PLEASE BE EXPLICIT SPECIFYING WHAT YOU PLAN TO BRING WHEN YOU SIGN UP to attend. This way we can avoid having too much of any one item. For example, indicate chocolate chip cookies, not just cookies. Or potato salad not just salad. Plan on your contribution feeding 8 to 10 people.

Good dessert ideas include cookies, fruit cobbler, fruit salad or trays, brownies. Good appetizer/side dish ideas include coleslaw, potato salad, pasta salad, baked beans, chips, veggie tray, seven-layer dip and chips, cheese tray.

If you need an idea, please see/contact our parishioners, Mike Kiss or Tom Prokop.

St. Gregory’s Prayer List

Kindly remember in your prayers our parishioners and friends who struggle with sickness, pain, hardship, or any special need: Charles & Maureen Cerny, Mary Olack, Don & Pat Paslowski, Nancy Romza, Andy & Joan Sakmar, Rita Smochko, Michael Sirochman, and Agnes Yanchak.

If you would like to add your name or the name of a loved one to this list, please contact the parish office via phone or email. In the Church vestibule, you are invited to add the names of the sick and any other intentions you would like to be remembered in our Prayer Intention book.