SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS



Icon of All Saints

HOLY GHOST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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June 16-23, 2019

1st Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle: Hebrews 11: 32-12-2

Gospel: Matthew 10:32-38

SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS: June 16, 2019 9:30AM (Ukrainian) For the Parishioners

Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish

11:00AM (English) Living & Deceased Fathers of our parish.

All daily liturgies celebrated at 9:00AM. Please join us for daily prayer.

MONDAY +Sophie Troyan -Isabel Passeretti

TUESDAY +Anna Drozd- Paulette Bellis

WEDNESDAY No Divine Lituray

THURSDAY No Divine Lituray

FRIDAY +Helen & Charles Morykan - Chuck Morykan

SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) For the Parishioners

2nd Sunday After Pentecost: June 23, 2019

11:00AM (Ukrainian) +David & Gregory Neff- Dorothy Neff

SUNDAY COLLECTION: \$ 1105.00 Thank you for your generous support.

Parish Feastday Dinner \$435.00

Eternal Light & Altar Candles In Memory of the living and deceased Fathers of our parish

Please remember to pray for the sick and all those who have requested our prayers

Betty Terleski Paul Ridilla Mae Kulcvzcki Thomas Lawson Olga Bryksa Lillian Opp Kim Lightcap Barry Fulmer Mary Heverling Harold Osmun Stefania Trusz Jean Lakomski

Meg Blazinski

Msgr Peter Waslo Craig Stoken Julian Trusz Frank Maitski Dot Neff Helen Potak Frieda Lubosky Alex Price Diane Troyan Lyudmila Patskan

Christine Sestak

Olga Turczyn Michael Brodt Brother Gideon Michael Sidlar Sarah Shanks John Wolfgang Kathleen Cremone Barbara Hacker Paulette Bellis

Slava & Orest Harasymovich Irvna Stefurak Ted Veresink Brian Atherholt Donald Bodden Fr Mark Fesniak Olga Trusz

Fr. David Clooney Marlene Lightcap Ivan Savkanitch Archbishop Stephen Sulvk Danny Phillips Gordon& Pat Smith Sr Thomas SSMI Yaroslawa Zuk

HOLY GHOST FESTIVAL:

We will be hosting our Holy Ghost Festival Picnic June 23 from 12:00-6:00PM. Your help and support will again be needed and workers for our different stations. Please help us in supporting our church community in West Easton. Thank you HALUSHKY making Thursday and Friday June 20-21 5:00PM

SET UP Saturday June 22 from 12:00 noon

We are asking for help in volunteers for the various hours at the various stands at the festival, please check the work sheet in the vestibule of the church. There are team captains for each of the stations, please contact them if you have any questions.

- . Tuesday: June 18: Final Meeting Church hall 6:00PM
- June 20-21 Halusky making: 5:30PM
- June 22 12:00PM Tent and Grounds set up
- June 23 HOLY GHOST PICNIC FESTIVAL 12:00-6:00PM
- . June 24 10:00AM Clean up and storage from festival

HAPPY FATHERS DAY to all of our Fathers of our parish and community. May God grant you many healthy happy years together with your family! MNOHAYA LITA!

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (Sunday Of All Saints)

Troparion and Kontakion:

Troparion (8): You came down from on high, O Merciful One, and accepted three days of burial to free us from our sufferings. O Lord, our life and our resurrection, glory be to You.

Troparion (4): Your Church throughout the world, O Lord, is clothed with the blood of Your martyrs as with fine linens and purple robes; and so the Church cries out to You, O Christ our God: Send down Your goodness upon Your people; grant peace to Your Church and great mercy to our souls.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever and ever: Amen.

Kontakion (8): To You, O Lord, Author of all creation; the universe offers the Godbearing martyrs as the first-fruit of nature. Through their prayers and the intercession of the Mother of God preserve Your Church, Your dwelling place, in perfect peace. O most merciful One.

Prokimenon: Make vows to the Lord, your God, and fulfill them Verse: God is made known in Judah; in Israel His name is great.

Epistle: Reading of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews (Heb 11,33-40;12,1-2) Brethren: All saints, who by faith conquered kingdoms, did what was righteous, obtained the promises; they closed the mouths of lions, put out raging fires, escaped the devouring sword; out of weakness they were made powerful, became strong in battle, and turned back foreign invaders. Women received back their dead through resurrection. Some were tortured and would not accept deliverance, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others endured mockery, scourging, even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, sawed in two, put to death at sword's point; they went about in skins of sheep or goats, needy, afflicted, tormented. The world was not worthy of them. They wandered about in deserts and on mountains, in caves and in crevices in the earth. Yet all these, though approved because of the faith, did not receive what had been promised. God had foreseen something better for us, so that without us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God.

Alleluia Verses:

Verse: The Just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress..

Verse: Many are the trials of the just man, but from them all the Lord will rescue him.

Gospel: (Mt 10,32-33,37-38;19,27-30) The Lord said to his disciples: "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge [him] before my heavenly Father. But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said to him in reply, "We have given up everything and followed you. What will there be for us?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you that you who have followed me, in the new age, when the Son of Man is seated on his throne of glory, will yourselves sit on the twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And everyone who has given up houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands for the sake of my name will receive a hundred times more, and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first."

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens. Praise Him in the highest. Exult, you just, in the Lord: praise from the upright is fitting. Alleluia,

SUNDAY June 23 12:00PM to 6:00PM



HOLY GHOST FESTIVAL

Divine Liturgy 11:00AM
Opening ceremonies 12:00 noon

HOMEMADE UKRAINIAN FOOD

PYROHY, HALUPKI, HALUSHKY KIELBASA & SAUERKRAUT HOMEMADE DESSERTS

UKRAINIAN ARTS AND CRAFTS

TRICKY TRAY
&
WHITE ELEPHANT TABLE

GAMES AND PRIZES
MUSIC AND DANCING

UKRAINIAN CONCERT 12:00-12:30 PM ALLARE WELCOME! Jeff Bellfy & Company 3:30PM -6:00PM

315 4th Street, West Easton PA

For more information 610-252-4266

The Golden Tones Polka Band 12:30PM-3:30PM

FESTIVAL CAPTAINS

Please contact any of the people listed below if you would like to help in any area, and need additional information:

FOOD DISTRIBUTION: Donna Sidlar: 610-252-1537 Karen Eible 908-283-3891

HELL'S KITCHEN: John Drozd Jr:610-250-2742

BAKED GOODS: Marlene Lightcap:908-475-5178 Andrea Suter: 610-258-0707

HAMBURGER STAND: Fr Dan Susan Fisher

ENTERTAINMENT: Oksana Savkanitch 718-551-4083

CHURCH TOURS: Ihor Mirchuk

TICKETS/FINANCE: Ted Veresink 610-253-2053

TRICKY TRAY/WHITE ELEPHANT TABLE: JoAnn Fulmer 610-509-3155

SIGNS/ADVERTISING: Roberta Leiby 610-258-2475 Craig Stoken

CHILDREN'S GAMES: Sherry Bellfy 908-213-8790

BEVERAGES: Daniel Bodnar 610-588-2127

Please register in the vestibule of the church for these areas of service. Your help is essential. Thank You.

BELL PROJECT

The first stage of the bell restoration project has been completed. The bell has been dry coated and baked with new metallic paint, and the pillar is on order for installation at our chapel center. Thank you for your contributions. More to come!

EAGLE PROJECT: Bell Restoration and Landscaping at Chapel

Garrett Stoken, will be working towards his Eagle Scout Award with the Boy Scouts of America. He has taken on the project of restoring the old bell which had been made and used at the foundry in West Easton, the Livingstone School and the Weslyan Chapel. The bell will be restored, and displayed to the west side of the building, with pavers, and a pillar to support the display. There will be a container in the vestibule of the church towards donations to complete the project.

SPECIAL THANKS PYROHY

AS we prepare for our festival, special thanks to all those who came to help make the pyrohy this Tuesday and Wednesday: Dan Bodnar, JoAnn Fulmer, Judy Palinkas, Olga Bryksa, Paulette Bellis, Viktor Patskan, Wilhelmina Wichryk, Kathy Sargent, Diane Bush, Linda Hutnik, Marion and Teodozia Sroka, Bob Sarisky, Debbie Osmun, Ed Herman, Pat Peters, Maria Best, Stefania ZUk, Yaroslawa Zuk, Myron Trusz, Elizabeth Poleshuk, Fr Dan. God bless all of you! Have a great summer! See you in September!

SPECIAL THANKS: FEAST DAY DINNER

Special thanks to those who set up and prepared the dinner for us: John Drozd, JoAnn Fulmer, Judy Palinkas, Wilhelmina Wichryk (Halukpi), Roberta Leiby(Baked Ham), Kathy Sargent, Caelin LaChance, Rosemary & Patty Veresink, Donna Sidlar, Dan Bodnar (Cake). Paulette Bellis.

THE CHAPEL SCHEDULE

- Needle Crafters Every Tuesday 9:30AM: Contact Debbie for more information 610-258-6588 Knitting, Crocheting, bead work sessions.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Easton Early Risers 7:00AM there is an open meeting for those interested in learning more about alcoholism and alcoholics.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Monday Men's Meeting 7:00PM Open men's meeting
- <u>Ukrainian American Veterans Post 42 meets</u> monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 7:00PM for their business & Post meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- JUNE 16 FATHER'S DAY
- JUNE 23 Holy Ghost Picnic Festival 12:00 noon 6:00PM
- SUMMER CHURCH CAMP July 15-18

ANNUAL PARISH FESTIVAL JUNE 23

Our Annual Holy Ghost Picnic Festival will be held on June 23, from 12:00-6:00PM. We had a great turnout for our first meeting, and we will be looking for volunteers again for the various booths at the picnic. A listing of the captains for the various venues is published in this week's bulletin, along with fliers which we can begin to distribute. We are looking forward to another great festival with your help. Thank you

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR PARISH FESTIVAL

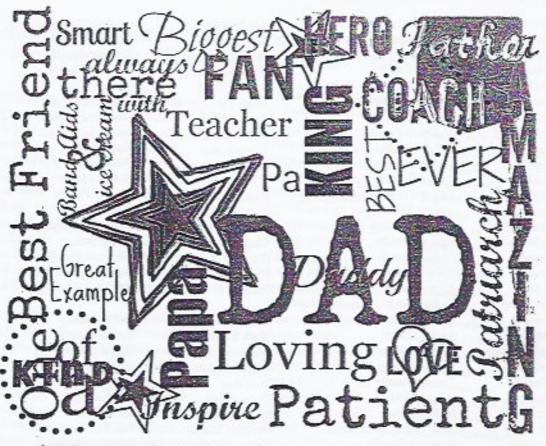
We are distributing 50/50 raffle tickets to the parish families, which will help support our picnic festival and our Building fund. Each Family is asked to purchase or sell 5 booklets of raffle tickets. They are \$2.00 each or 6 for \$10.00. There will be three prizes awarded: 25% 1st `15% 2nd and 10% 3rd prize. Tickets are courtesy of the Strunk Funeral Home, we thank them for their support.

Please pick up your tickets in the vestibule of the church this weekend. Thank you.

SIGN UP SHEETS IN THE VESTIBULE

Our festival is a wonderful opportunity to give back to our community in West Easton and in the Lehigh Valley. We need you help to be able to continue this great tradition. Please sign up in the vestibule for work details. We are asking 2 hours of your time to help make our festival a success. Ask your friends to join you, to help support our church and ministry to the area. Thank you

FESTIVAL FINAL MEETING TUESDAY 6:00PM There will be a final meeting to finalize the plans for our picnic festival at 6:00PM Tuesday in the parish hall. Please join us and help us reach our goal.



May our Lord grant to the Fathers of our parish, peace health and happiness for many happy and blessed years! MNOHAYA LITA!

Jeff Bellfy Steven Bakros Matthew Bellis Wes Ragan Robert Bakros Charlie Best Kevin C Donnelly Bill Gordon Tom Caracio Greg Cron Gary Schaeffer Ian Laurenzi Harry Paskewicz Jr Brian Atherholt Thomas Eible Barry Fulmer, Sr.

Barry Fulmer, Jr.

Emily & Sara Bellfy Bellis Family Bellis Family Stoken Family Bellis Family Stoken Family Adara & Owen Donnelly Family Stephanie Trusz Margie Frable Margie Frable Joseph & Maria Atherholt Family Atherholt family Kayla & Andrew Barry, Chrissy & Sherry

Carli & Jake

Bill Hutnik Aaron Hutnik Michael Brodt Howard Osmun Daniel Phillips Michael Mattes Greg Macht Greg Neff James Roth Ihor Tyma Roman Wovchuk Brian Atherholt Thomas Lawson Willis Sargent, Jr. Richard E. Sharpless Michael Sidlar Marian Sroka Ronald Sroka

Aaron & Daniel Emma & Brynn Jackson Brodt Jameson Blair Phillips Julia, Ryan, Mikayla & Zach Neff Family Neff Family Neff Family Tyma Family Wovchuk Family Atherholt Family Thomas Lawson Sargent Family Sharpless Family Sidlar Family

Sroka Family

Sroka Family

Daniel Bodnar Jeff Miner Kevin Beery Frank Maitski Fr. Pavlo Myts Vassili Michtchak Ted Neff Derek Richmond Noel Martinez Peter Repella Paul Ridilla Michael Planko Craig Stoken Willis Sargent Jr William Stoken, Jr. Tyler Keeney Tony Price Michael Suter Shawn Maloney Michael Suter Shawn Maloney Cornelius Maloney Rich Tomori Walter Tomori Yuriy Shevtsiy Tom Carasio Theodore Veresink Robert Kovacs Derek Richmond Antoni M. Wichryk David Wright Antoni M. Wichryk David Wright David Wright Edward Chando Sr Joseph Wynne Greg Wynne Walter Tomori Rich Tomori Peter Sowirka Viktor Patskan Roman Stefurak Shawn Maloncy Theodore Veresink Robert Kovacs Oleh Balaziuk Roman Stefurak Ruslan Reka

Bodnar Family Sroka Family Cara Beery Maitski Family Robert & Roberta Leiby Vitalia Martinez Neff Family Veresink Family NJ & Nineliya Dan & Loretta Bodnar Dan & Loretta Bodnar Dan & Loretta Bodnar Stoken Family Sargent Family Stoken Family Stoken Family Price Family Andrea Suter Andrea Suter Richard Suter Richard Suter Maloney Family Kathy & Larry Birgl Tomori Family Adriana Marta Stefania Trusz Sandy, Patty & Michelle Veresink Family Veresink Family Adam Wichryk Adam Wichryk Wilhelmina Wichryk Wilhelmina Wichryk Leah & family Karen Clark Patrick & Christopher Wynne Family Tomori Family Tomori Family Tomori Family Matthew Patskan Elizabeth Stefurak Maloney Family Veresink Family Veresink Family Balaziuk Family Stefurak Family Reka Family

Stan Kramer Mark Kramer Mark Thatcher Sr. Mark Thatcher Ir Aaron Hutnik David Rosco Shawn Maloney Thomas Rosco Robert Fisher Sr Emery Rosco Jr Neil Maloney Charlie Best Anatoliy Bondyar Yuriy Shevtsiy Brian Williamson Michael Sidlar Mark Sidlar Matthew Sidlar Daniel Bodnar Pietr Zuk Boedan Zuk Paul LaChance Markion Makota Andriy Makota James Bellfy Ivan Savkanitch Give dad a huq Give dad a kiss

Michael Breiner

Ken Kramer

Breiner Family Kramer Family Kramer Family Kramer Family

Thatcher Family Thatcher Family Bill & Ruth Hutnik Susan Fisher Maloney Family Susan FIsher Fisher Family Susan Fisher Maloney Family Craig Stoken Shevtsiv Family Marta & Adrianna Thatcher Family

Sidlar Family Sidlar Family Sidlar Family Bodnar Family Zuk Family Zuk Family Caelin & Ian Zuk/Makota Family Zuk/Makota Family Sherry & Jeff & family Petro Savkanitch



Grant O Lord eternal rest to the deceased Fathers remembered from our parish and may their memory be eternal! VICHNAYA PAMYAT!

+Russell Bellis	Bellis Family	+Wolodomyr Sroka	Sroka Family
+Russell J. Bellis	Bellis Family	+Antoni Szydywar	Sroka Family
+John Barna	Bellis Family	+John Hrycyshyn	
+Paul Barna	Bellis Family	+Robert Dollinger	Lakomski Family
+Michael Barna	Bellis Family	+Gregory Neff	Robert & Roberta Leiby
+Wasil Barna	Bellis Family	+Onufry Hrynkiw	Neff Family
+Edward Barna	Bellis Family	+Alex Maitski	Maitski Family
+John Birgl	Tomori Family	+William Lightcap Jr	Maitski Family
+John Drozd, Sr.	Drozd Family	+Raymond Bentley	anginoup I difffy
+Atanas Drozd	Drozd Family	+ Fr Joseph Shupa	Stoken Family
+Richard Eible Sr	Eible Family	+John Bogusky	Shupa Family
+Howard Harrigan III	Eible Family	+Vassili Michtchak	Lightcap Family
+Edward Kozup Sr	Eible Family	+Volodomyr Bilan	Vitalia Martinez
P	- anny	+Michael Wimmer	Michtchak Family
+Panco Paduch	Drozd Family	+Harry Praschyk Sr	Atherholt Family
+Donald Frable	Margie Frable	+Robert Leiby	Harry Praschyk Jr
+Max Pokrivchak	Margie Frable	+Conrad Dranchak	Robert & Roberta Leiby
+George Pokrivchak	Margie Frable	+Wallace Neff	Robert & Roberta Leiby
+Joe Haffner	Bill & Ruth Hutnik	+John Tomko	Neff Family
+Michael Hasuga	Barbara Hacker		Neff Family
+William Hacker		+Michael Paskewicz	Harry Paskewicz & family
+Frank Motto	Barbara Hacker Barbara Hacker	+Michael Wimmer	Harry Paskewicz & family
+Wm. "Wash" Hutnik		+Wasyl Bodnarsky	Elizabeth Poleschuk
+Oliver Bartholomew	Bill & Ruth Hutnik	+Gregor Poleschuk	Elizabeth Poleschuk
+Michaelo Pekoruk	Bill & Ruth Hutnik	+Robert Dollinger	Robert & Roberta Leiby
+Joseph Haffner	Savkanitch Family	+Charles Szvetecz	Robert & Roberta Leiby
+John Zeigafuse	Bill & Ruth Hutnik	+Harry Praschyk, Sr.	Sargent Family
+Bill Vedomsky	Bill & Ruth Hutnik	+Willis Sargent, Sr.	Sargent Family
+ Joseph Dado	Bill & Ruth Hutnik	+Zenon Szydywar	
+Joseph Bodnar +John Gutowski	Dan & Loretta Bodnar	+Aleksander Klimko	Sroka Family
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+George Dedovich	Dan & Loretta Bodnar	+Tony Stojkiewicz	Stoken Family
+Petro Stefurak	Savkanitch Family	+Jacob Stojkiewicz	Stoken Family
+Semko Savkanitch	Savkanitch Family	+Louis Stojkiewicz	Stoken Family
+Michael Lakomski	Lakomski Family	+John Emrick	Stoken Family
+Dimitro Sidlar	Lakomski Family	+ Michael Trusz	Stoken Fam
+Edward Sargent	Sargent Family	+Joseph Drutarovsky	Trusz Family
+Basil C. Borota	Sharpless Family	+Edward Noe	Irene Noe
Edward Sharpless	Sharpless Family	+Richard Suter	Joyce Beery
+Charles Morykan	Morykan Family	+Delbert Atherholt	Maloney Family
George Borota	Sharpless Family	+Thomas Paskewicz	Atherholt Family
Philip Straka	Sharpless Family	+Dmytro Stulkowsky	Jane Atherholt
Theodore Sidlar	Sidlar Family	+Michael Simock	Sonia Laurenzi
Gene Wright	Leah & David Wright	+Petro Mirchuk	Kramer Family
John Perih	Sidlar Family		Ihor Mirchuk
Theodore Sidlar	Sidlar Family	+Thomas Paskewicz	Atherholt Family

Elizabeth Terleski +John Terleski Atherholt Family +Michael WImmer Elizabeth Terleski +Stephen Terleski Tomori Family +Nicholas Sowirka Andrea Suter +Richard Suter Olga Trusz Family +Ivan Trusz Olga Trusz Family +Michael Makarecz Olga Trusz Family +Michael Trusz Zuk Makota Family +Myroslaw Makota Zuk/Makota Family +Bogdan Gumetski Olga Trusz Family +Dmytro Makarecz Michael Trusz Family +Ivan Holobec +Iwan Trusz Stefania Trusz Stefania Trusz +Petro Pliszka Stefania Trusz +Wasyl Pliszka Sidlar Family +Christian Shalay Veresink Family +Dimotro Veresink +Robert Evans Veresink Family Veresink Family +Elias Veresink Veresink Family +Theodore Lubosky +Antoni Wichryk Adam Wichryk +Theodore Sawchuck Adam Wichryk +Antoni Wichryk Wilhelmina Wichryk +Michael Wiehryk Wilhelmina Wichryk +Basili Zuk Zuk Makota Family +Gzegorz Wilkowski Wilhelmina Wichryk +John Romanic Wynne Family +Whitney Herbert Wynne Family +John Romanic Judy & JoAnn +Michael Vedomsky Judy & JoAnn +Adam Romanic Judy & JoAnn +Michael Romanic Judy & JoAnn Frank Breiner Breiner Family +Henry Ehrie Breiner Family +Mike Simock Kramer Family +AJ Kramer Kramer Family +Michael Troyan Fr Dan +Nicholas Troyan Fr Dan +Stephen Machuzak Fr Dan +Warren Thatcher Thatcher Family +Wasyl Bodnarsky Poleschuk Family +Gregor Poleschuk Poleschuk Family +John Bryksa Olga Bryksa

Olga Bryksa Olga Bryksa Trusz Family Trusz Family Bodnar Family

+Harry Bryksa

+Michael Makanec

+Joseph Bodnar

+Felix Zagat

+John Trusz.

+John Gutowski Bodnar Family +George Dedovich Bodnar Family +Theodore Neff Neff Family +Lawrence Neff Neff Family +Nicholas Sowirka Tomori Family +Antoni Wichryk Leah & David Wright + Theodore Sawchuck Leah & David Wright +Roger Wright Leah & Dave Wright +Michael Michtchak Michtchak Family +Myhaylo Michtchak Michtchak Family +Basily Zuk Zuk Family +Harry Paskewicz Atherholt Family +William Fisher Sr Susan Fisher +Volodymyr Bilan Vitalia Martinez + Emery Rosco Sr Susan Fisher +Petro Mirchuk Thor Mirchuk +Evhen +Vasyl Tetyana & Yuriy Shevtsiv +William Gordon



Donnelly Family

When tomorrow starts without me and I'm not here to see... If the sun should rise and find your eyes filled with tears for me, I wish so much you wouldn't cry, The way you did today... While thinking of the many things We didn't got to say. I know how much you love me, As much as I love you... And each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me, too. But when tomorrow starts without me, Please try to understand ... That Jesus came and called my name And took me by the hand. And said my place was ready in heaven far above...And that I'd have to leave behind All those I dearly love. So when tomorrow starts without me. Don't think we're far apart...For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

STILL NEEDED FOR NEXT SUNDAY"S FESTIVAL

 Volunteers: Please help us fill the time slots for the different stands during the festival.

Our success depends upon you! Please sign up this Sunday

- BAKED GOODS Anyone able to make something for our BAKED GOODS stand, please drop off your donations Saturday morning or afternoon at the church hall. Thank you for your support
- COOLERS Anyone who has a large cooler that we can use for the festival, please drop it off Tuesday at the meeting.
- <u>TENTS</u> Anyone that has a 10x10 pop up tent that we can use during the festival please drop it off

Monday or Tuesday at the rectory or church hall.

COOLERS AND TENTS: Please have them clearly marked with your name

 <u>SET-UP</u> Saturday we will begin at 10AM setting up tables and chairs, and preparing the outside

area for the festival. If you are able to lift over 30lbs please join us.

 <u>SUNDAY SET UP:</u> Sunday morning starting at 9:00AM we will be setting up the Tricky Tray tables,

the White Elephant, the food stands and the dance floor. Please help us with the final preparation. Thank you.

 YARD SIGNS Please take a yard sign and display it at your home! And pray for beautiful weather! Thank you!

Their Death is More like Dreaming

We ought to honor the saints. They are Christ's friends, children and heirs of God. This is the teaching of the theologian and evangelist John: 'To all who received him ... the Word gave power to become children of God' (John 1:12). The Creator of all things is called in Scripture Lord of lords, King of kings, God of gods. The saints are precisely lords, kings and gods, not in their own nature but because they have become lords over themselves, they have ruled their passions, they have kept intact that image of God in which they were created. Indeed, the saints of their own choice are united to God, they have welcomed Him as a guest in their hearts, and by sharing with Him have become what He is by nature.

They have become God's servants, friends and children. The honor given to His faithful servants of which they are the witness is a test of our love for our Lord and theirs. He has found in them a spotless dwelling place and has performed his promise: 'I will make my abode among you ... and I will walk among you and will be your God' (Lev. 26:11-12).

It is of the saints that Scripture says: 'The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God and the torment of death shall not touch them' (Wisd. 3:1). In fact, their death is more like dreaming than dying. God is life and light, and those who are in the hand of God are themselves life and light. By means of the Spirit, God is dwelling in the bodies of the saints. Why then should we not honor the temple of the living God?

St. John of Damascus