

The Martyr

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Up-coming Services/Events

Today: 9:30 a.m. Church School
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

November 6: 9:30 a.m. General Confession
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

13: 9:30 a.m. Church School
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

15: Nativity Fast begins

20: 9:30 a.m. Church School
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Prayers for Blessings/Health

His Grace **Bishop Nikon; Protopresbyter Demetrios** Recachinas; **Christy Adams; Kirsten Battachio (USMC); Paul Betts; Eileen** Bochino; **Georgika Boria; Diana Breaz; Jeanne** Brideau; **Elvira Chadwick; Jessica** Chadwick; **Charles (Basil) Csernica; Eva** Demetri; **Charles Dougiello, Sr.; Cindy Held; David** Hirst, Sr.; **Nicholas Hotova; Diane** Hoffmeyer; **Leonard Iancale; Eva** Karajani; **William** Kovachi; **Meni Kyriacou; Christy** Lambert; **John Louis; Thomas** Matthews; **Michael** Molnar; **Kelly** Montagna; **Louise** Moran; **Theodore** Morrison; **Michael** Nastu; **Thomas** Nicholas, Sr.; **James** Pando; **Pandora** Plasa; **Eleanor** Polena; **Violet** Polena; **Mark** Rizzo; **Suzanne** Russell; **Mark** Sabatino; **Mary** Sak; **David** Schutte; **Noella** Sidarweck; **Gloria** Simo; **David** Snedegar; **Vangel** Soter; **Tessie** Sotir; **Helen** Tallcouch; **Jo Anne** Tallcouch; **Mary & Peter** Themel; **Michael, Thalia & Leonora** Thomas; **Aphrodita** (Rita) Vangel; **William** Vasil; **Marilyn** Vissar; **Robert** Volpe; **Galina**

Voronin; **Alexa** Wilson; **Kaitlyn** Woolard; **Quincy**.

As a community of Faith our prime responsibility is to support one another – in both faith and action. Prayer combines both. Please submit the name of the person for whom you wish to pray – and remember that when the prayers have been answered, to take that name off the list as well.

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

Paul Leka

October

31 Fannie Bejou (1979)
Nicholas Adam (1992)
Kostica Boria (1992)

November

02 Thulla Nago (1950)

Coffee Hour

Today: ??????????????????????????????

November 6: The Parish Council

13: ??????????????????????????????

20: ??????????????????????????????

If you would like to sponsor coffee hour, please notify Kim O'Brien. Phone: 203-877-2286 or email: IBALL007@aol.com

Apologies

We extend our apologies to **Tessie Sotir** whose ad for the Teuta Bazaar Program Booklet was inadvertently overlooked. Thank you, Tessie, for your generosity!



For the month of October our Charity Collections will go to the renovation of our **Archdiocesan Chancery Offices**

Father Dennis to be away

Father Dennis will be leaving tomorrow for the Orthodox Church in America’s **All American Council** in Seattle, Wash. He will return on Saturday, November 5th.

If there are any emergencies while he is away, please contact Fr. George Coca at (203) 512-9102.

Women’s Council news

Next Sunday, November 6, at 3:00 p.m., the **Women’s Council** will have a fashion party at the Shelton Square Dress Barn & Dress Barn Women. We can shop for new items for the holidays in a relaxed manner while enjoying time with our friends. Please call 203 929-0571 with your reservation.

Daylight Savings Time

Don’t forget – Daylight Savings Time ends next Sunday, November 6th. Clocks will be set back one hour that day.

St. Nectarios Vespers

On Tuesday, November 8th, the Vespers of St. Nectarios of Aegina will be celebrated at Christ the Savior Orthodox Church in Southbury. The service will begin at 7:00 p.m. and be followed by a dessert buffet

Holiday *Lakror* available

Order your *lakror* now for the holidays. Whole pies may be purchased for \$50.00 each. The choices are leek, spinach, and sauerkraut. Orders will be taken now through November 16th.

If you would like to purchase a *lakror*, contact Zoe Michael (203-374-4987) or Mary Nikola (203-268-6118). All orders will be ready for pickup at the Church Hall on Sunday, November 27th between 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. unless other arrangements have been made.

Natural Church Development

At our last Parish Meeting, we agreed to begin the **Natural Church Development (NCD)** program, under the guidance of Fr. Jonathan Ivanoff, secretary of the Orthodox Church in America’s Department of Evangelization.

Under the program, the health of our parish will be assessed on the basis of eight “Quality Characteristics”: *Empowering Leadership, Gift-based Ministry, Fervent Spirituality, Effective Structures, Inspiring Worship, Holistic Fellowship Groups, Need-oriented Evangelism,* and *Loving Relationships*. The lowest scoring characteristic is known as the “Minimum Factor.”

Father Jonathan will be here on Saturday, November 12th, to conduct an orientation workshop for our **Church Health Team**. This team is a small group of our parishioners who will direct the actual NCD program in the parish. Some of the responsibilities of the team will be to:

- Select parishioners to take the NCD survey.
- Conduct focus groups— small groups of parishioners who meet informally and discuss why a particular aspect of parish life is the “Minimum Factor” and what can be done about it.
- Compile the data collected from the focus groups and prepare an “Action Plan” which focuses on improving the “Minimum Factor.”

We need 5 to 7 volunteers to be on the **Church Health Team**. If you would like to participate, please speak to Father Dennis or Laura Chadwick.

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