JULY 16 ANNOUNCEMENTS –

Money for birthday cakes due to Jann today Parish Council Mtg. following coffee hour

Please bring any garage sale items to church – we shall be collecting items until the day of our sale (Saturday, August 12 from 9 to 4) Coffee Hour volunteers are needed for July and August. Please volunteer and sign on board above the drinking fountain for date best for you and your family.

Soft Nutri Grain bars are still being collected for our Orthodox outreach program through Sts.Peter and Paul Cathedral. Please leave any donations on the table in the lobby area.

JULY 9 DONATIONS:

<u>FOR HEALTH OF</u> (FHO): FAMILY, NAME DAY SAINTS PETER & PAUL, PETE LEKOSKI – BONA CILENSKA

FHO: THEIR SON, PETE'S NAME DAY – LEKOSKI FAMILY

FHO: FAMILIES – SHAFFER, WHEELER, TRAVIS, REHN, RAYMER, GUYOT & CHURCH FAMILY

& GABBY'S BIRTHDAY – CHERYL TRAVIS

FHO: GRACE BURKE & ROSE TEMOLKO – KEVIN CHRISTOFF

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, GABBY – TIMPKO FAMILY

IN MEMORY OF (IMO): TONY TEMOLKE, STEVE BURKE, OLGA PARIS, PAUL & ZIFKA CHRISTOFF

- KEVIN CHRISTOFF

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY 22 – 11-1 – Church open for anyone wanting to prep tables/room for Happy Birthday Sunday

23 **– HAPPY BIRTHDAY SUNDAY** – a day to celebrate EVERYONE's birthday – <u>SUGGESTED</u> donation: \$3/person,

\$5/couple, \$10/family

30 – Prep for garage sale after coffee hour.

Saint Paul Srthsdsx Sathedral

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Sunday, July 16th 6th Sunday after Pentecost



Today we will selebrate the Divine Liturgy se St. John Shrysostom



Scripture Readings

Epistle – Romans 12:6-14

Brothers and sisters, Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

Gospel – Matthew 9:1-8

At that time Jesus got into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" -- he then said to the paralytic -- "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

A Prayer for the Beginning of the Day by Philaret of Moscow

O Lord, grant me to greet the coming day in peace. Help me in all things to rely upon your holy will. In every hour of the day reveal your will to me. Bless my dealings with all who surround me. Teach me to treat all that comes to me throughout the day with peace of soul and with the firm conviction that your holy will governs all. In all my deeds and works, guide my thoughts and feelings. In unforeseen events, let me not forget that all are sent by you. Teach me to act firmly and wisely, without embittering and embarrassing others. Give me strength

to bear the fatigue of the coming day with all that it shall bring. Direct my will, teach me to pray, and, you, pray in me. Amen.

A Prayer of Thanksgiving after communion by St. Simeon Metaphrastes

Freely Thou hast given me Thy Body for my food, O Thou who art a fire consuming the unworthy. Consume me not, O my Creator, but instead enter into my members, my veins, my heart. Consume the thorns of my transgressions. Cleanse my soul and sanctify my reasonings. Make firm my knees and body. Illumine my five senses. Nail me to the fear of Thee. Always protect, guard, and keep me from soul-destroying words and deeds. Cleanse me, purify me, and adorn me. Give me understanding and illumination. Show me to be a temple of Thy One Spirit, and not the home of many sins. May every evil thing, every carnal passion, flee from me as from a fire as I become Thy tabernacle through communion. I offer Thee as intercessors all the saints: the leaders of the bodiless hosts, Thy Forerunner, the wise apostles, and Thy pure and blameless Mother. Accept their prayers in Thy love, O my Christ, and make me, Thy servant, a child of light. For Thou art the only Sanctification and Light of our souls, O Good One, and to Thee, our Master and God, we ascribe glory day by day.