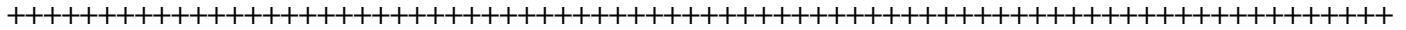


In case of emergency: Call Father Harry Linsinbigler, (813) 406 – 2620. If there is no answer, leave a message. Then call Pani Carrie at (813) 451-9829.or text Father Brian Delp at (813) 763-5226.

“Christ is Risen! -Indeed He is Risen!”

3820 Moores Lake Rd.
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Church Motto: “Cling to What is Good” – Romans
Theme: “Balance”



Schedule:

Sunday, May 4:

10:00 Divine Liturgy
Myrrh Bearing Women

Wednesday, May 7

6:15 pm Vespers
Bible Study After

Sunday, May 11:

10:00 Divine Liturgy
Methodius & Cyril
Mother’s Day

Wednesday, May 14

6:15 pm Vespers

Sunday, May 18:

10:00 Divine Liturgy
Samaritan Woman

Wednesday, May 21

6:15 pm Vespers
Bible Study After

Sunday, May 25:

10:00 Divine Liturgy
Blind Man

Wednesday, May 28

6:15 pm Vespers

Sunday June 1:

10:00 Divine Liturgy
Fathers 1st Council

Parish Council:

President: Ellen Flynn – (863) 242-4865

Vice President: Paula Karagounis –
(813) 838-4554

Secretary: Rebecca Delp - (813) 763-5225

Treasurer: Ryan Becker - (813) 965-1881

Financial Secretary: Natalie Brennan –
(508) 272-0395

Reader’s Schedule:

	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Back Up</u>
May 4	Ellen	Linda
May 11	Sbdn Peter	Derek
May 18	Linda	Arlene
May 25	Arlene	Ellen
June 1	Derek	Linda

Counter Schedule:

	<u>Council Member</u>	<u>2ndCounter</u>
May 4	Pani Rebecca	Jacob
May 11	Pani Rebecca	Svetlana
May 28	Pani Rebecca	Nancy
May 25	Pani Rebecca	Mike
June 1	Josef	Ellen

Please remember to respect Father Harry’s days off which are Monday and Tuesday. Unless you have an emergency do not call, text, email or visit those days. The church grounds are closed during this time.

Volunteers Needed:

The council is looking for members willing to help as a counter once a month. You would assist a council member count and reconcile the day's offerings. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please see a council member.

Prayer Corner:

Please send prayer requests to Rebecca Delp by text at (813) 763-5225, email at delp10290@yahoo.com or message Rebecca on Facebook.

Living: Please pray for the ailing: Mike, Stella, Amanda, Darla, Bruce, Arlene, Laura, Trevor, Rick, Nicole, Ashley, Martha, Tim, Vilma, Dan, John, Sherrie, Chuck, Rick, Tony, Michelle, Jana, Erin, Cynthia, Petya, Denise, Keith, Kassey, Clay, Alyssa, Lola, Chris, Andrea, Archie, Robert, Celina, Christina, Robert, Soccorro, Eli, Paula, Laura, Kyle, Sally, Avi, Rebeka, Barbara, Susan, Joseph, Rebekah, Father Frederick, Lynn, Tiffany, Matthew, Michelle, Anton, Carter, Samantha, Jacob, Richard, Konstantin, Tina, Anthony, Patricia, Emily, Colter, Riley, Merle, Mihail, Sally, Kent, Donna, Lorelei, and Sbdn Peter.

Reposed: Please pray for the departed: John, George, Pavel, Subdeacon John, Jack, Nathaniel, PJ, Dorothy, Thomas, Kristy, Pani, Fr. Anastaje, Archbishop Vsevelod, Metropolitan Constantine, Harry, Mary, Marie Mary, Helen, Jeannette, Betty, Joe, Lucy, George, Fr. Martin, Sue, Vera, Michael, Ertelle, Cletus, Joshua, Sara, Dawn, Stacy, Jea, Pani Susan, Tom, and Patricia.

More Announcements:

Church Cleaning:

Thank you to all who gave of their time to help make the church shine for Palm Sunday.

Pysanky Egg Decorating:

Natalie Brennan and Tracy Galla will be leading a class in Pysanky egg decorating for those interested. You will need to bring an egg on a Sunday after fellowship. Children will need to be accompanied by an adult and the date will be determined later. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex.

Fellowship:

We will continue having a "Theme" of the week. If you have a suggestion place it in the box in the hall, on the dessert table.

Themes:

May 4 – Hispanic Potluck
May 11 – Mother's Day Luncheon
May 18 – Breakfast for Lunch
May 25 - Picnic Luncheon
June 1 - Potluck

The Fellowship Hall:

The following items are needed:

- Individual Bags of Chips (variety)
- Snack Bars
- Coffee
- Soda
- Tea, Unsweetened
- Plates, all Sizes
- Bowls
- Pudding Cups
- Fruit Cups
- Large Bags of Tortilla/Potato Chips
- Jars of Salsa
- Garbage Bags, 33 gal. and 15 gal.

Christian Education:

Bible Study:

A Bible Study meets on the first and third Wednesday evenings of the month in the Fellowship Hall after 7:00 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Youth Christian Education:

Classes are going well with the children meeting weekly in the back of the church or working outside on a project. The large class has been divided into a younger group and middle group.

The teens will meet weekly until summer break finishing the ten commandments. They will meet at an available table in the Fellowship Hall.

Soon parish members will be asked to speak to the teen group about their careers or vocations.

Ministries:

Men's Group:

Mens group plan projects of acts of service as a fellowship for the men. If interested contact Alex or Calaam for more information during Fellowship.

Communications:

Father Brian Delp is leader of the Communications Ministry, which includes the church website, newsletter, and videos of the Liturgy on U-tube. If you would like to join this ministry, contact Father Brian during Fellowship.

Connections:

Jacob Beyea is leader of the Connections Ministry where he welcomes parish members and new guests to the Liturgy. He gives a newcomer a Liturgy Book and answers any questions they may have. Contact Jacob during Fellowship if you would like to join this ministry.

Outreach Ministry:

There is usually a project every one or two months. Ideas and suggestions are welcome. If you would like to join this ministry, see Arlene Tonjes during Fellowship. On April 12 we supported the Plant City Pregnancy Care Center In their Walk for Life Fund Raiser. This year's theme was for each of us to become a "Warrior for Life" and support those who participated in the walk. We had 12 adult participants and 10 children. Our parish collected and donated \$503.

The mission of the Pregnancy Care Center is to share God's compassion and provision to those facing an unexpected pregnancy and to uphold the sanctity of life. Two of the services provided at the center are: ultrasounds, and parenting classes for moms and dads at no cost. Thank you to those who contributed and to those who came to walk and represent our church.

Our next project will be cleaning out our closets and garages to contribute usable items and clothing to the Light House Ministries near your home. Just pull up to the back of their thrift store and they will unload your donation.

On Stewardship and the Christian Life

By Father Frederick Watson

“The Old Tithe – The New Stewardship”

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.” (John 13:34 RSV)

The system of the tithe (giving 10% of all things received back to God) reaches far back. It reaches back even further than Moses and the Law. The expectation on God's people has always been that they were to show their thankfulness for God's mercies and blessings to them by making offerings back to God.

Abraham gave tithes to Melchizedek, the priest of the Most High God (Hebrews 7:1,2). Patriarch Jacob promised the Lord: *“and of all that thou givest me I will give the tenth to thee”* (Genesis 28:22 RSV). Under the Old Covenant, the tithe was, at first, voluntary. Later, under the Law of Moses, it became mandatory (Deuteronomy 14:22).

When Paul instructed his people at the Corinthian community, he gave them some general principles underlying the support of God's work on earth. He asks: *“Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? ... If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits?”* (1 Corinthians 9:7,11 RSV). Paul is referring to God's plan for the support of the work of those who are called and ordained to serve the Church. He asks again: *“Do you not know that those who are employed in the temple service get their food from the temple, and those who serve at the altar share in the sacrificial offerings? In the same way, the Lord commanded that those who proclaim the gospel should get their living by the gospel”* (1 Corinthians 9: 13-14 RSV).

God asks of us no more than He asked of His ancient people. God's gifts to us are not less, but they are greater than they were to His people of old. The service given to the people of God today by the Church's clergy, just as in the days of Moses, requires financial support. The stewardship of our own money (it belongs to God anyway; we are only caretakers while on earth) makes possible the work of the Church. The intention is clear: the support for the ministry of the Gospel through the work of the Church must be full and it must be continuous.

Under the Law of Moses, such support through tithing was the Law. There were consequences for failure to tithe. Under the Law of love (the New Commandment, see John 13:34) our stewardship is an act of unselfish kindness for the support of the work of God's Church. It is a free act. It is a voluntary act. It is an act of thanksgiving. Our stewardship is an act of love.

