



*Jesus Christ, our
Saviour and Redeemer*

Holy Protection Orthodox Church

Greetings on this blessed Lord's Day! Please take a green information sheet if this is your first time here. You can put in any collection basket or hand to greeter

IN EMERGENCY CALL/TEXT 813-406-2620 (Fr.'s cell). If in middle of night and no answer, call 813-659-0123 or 813-451-9829 (Pani's cell). If they are off duty please call Parish Council President below

Schedule

Tone 1

Sunday, June 10

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fasting Fellowship

Tuesday, June 12

7:30 pm Council Meeting

Sunday, June 17

Father's Day
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fasting Fellowship

Sunday, June 24

Nativity of St. John the Baptist
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fasting Fellowship

Sunday, July 1

9:35 am Memorial Susan Johnson
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship

Sunday, July 8

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship

Sunday, July 15

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship

Sunday, July 22

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship

Sunday, July 29

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note Susan Johnson's 40 day memorial will be on July 1.

The Apostles Fast ends on June 29 on the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul.

Pick up an updated parish contact list! We made a few changes to it.

Do you receive emails? If not and would like to, email Pani at panicarrie@yahoo.com

Do you have a calling for outreach? We need someone who can head up the Outreach Ministry. Please see a member of the parish council if you are interested.

Prayer Corner: Please pray for the ailing: Mary, Kathy, Susan, Helen, Neila, Olexander, Anna, John, Carol, Mat. Mary, P.Vera, SD. John, Randee, John, Ryan, Marie, Paul, Mary, Pangratios, Tikon, Vasili, Jeremiah, Dcn. Luke, Maria, John David, Elizabeth, Joshua, Alexander, Nicholas, Rebecca, Genevieve, Panteleimon, Vladimir, Margaret, David, Sarah, Jonathon, Simon, Gene, Judy, Fr. Michael, Fr. John, Anastasia, Demitrios, Alexandra, Israel, George, Michelle, George, Beth, Alex, George, Joseph, Jaqueline, Michael, Geverlyn, Thomas, Norma, Sally, Sarah, Derek, Susan, Lucy, Beth, Kathy, Phyllis, John, David, Shirley, Kalie, Madeline, Thomas, Patricia, Marie, Archimandrite David, Jake, Tom, Beverly, Taylor, Reghyn, Sylvia, Andreas, Josh, Nicole, Joyce, Sandy, Yamileth, Georgina, Kathy, Pam, Ann, Eli, Shay, Ocean, Lauren, Donna, Kim, Lori, Nancy, George, Sharon, Sylvia, Kristi, Gary

From the Parish Council:

Dearest members. Our Church is a small one, and the summer months become very difficult for us financially for many reasons. We need everyone to give regularly even for weeks they are not here. The bills still need paid on weeks that we are away. The electric still needs paid, the phone bill needs paid, the priest needs paid, the security company needs paid the lawn guy needs paid, the fire service and water service techs need paid, the government inspectors need paid, and the people who do periodic work such as service techs all need paid. The A/C has to be left running inside the church to protect the icons especially during the summer, when we have lower attendance and thus lower amounts of money to pay the bills. If everyone would please set aside money for your church just the way you do for your family home (i.e. set money aside to give with your regular bills), we would not have the stress of wondering how to pay the bills in the summer months. Please don't punish the church by only giving for Sundays when you come, since that is like only providing food for your family on days when you don't have to work late.

We are looking for people interested in being a greeter before church. If you are interested, please speak to a council member.

Sign up for fellowship! It can be as simple as bagels or donuts. Please see the board in the hall, or a council member if you have any questions.

Please remember to follow the preparatory guidelines for communion (see website www.holyorthodox.org for details).

Saint Bartholomew, the Apostle. Bartholomew was one of the Twelve Great Apostles. In all probability, it appears that Bartholomew and Nathaniel are one and the same person. He was a companion of the Apostle Philip and Philip's sister, the virgin Mariamna and, for some time, a companion of St. John the Theologian. Bartholomew preached the Gospel first throughout Asia and, after that, in India and finally in Armenia where he died a martyr's death. In Hierapolis, these holy apostles by prayer, caused the death of a large serpent which the heathens kept in their temple and worshipped. In this same city and, by prayer, they restored sight to Stachius who was blind for forty years. It was here that a mob rose up against them and they crucified Philip and Bartholomew (Bartholomew was crucified upside down). At this time, an earthquake occurred in which the evil judges and many people perished. Feeling that this was a punishment from God, many ran to remove the apostles from the crosses but Philip was already dead while Bartholomew was still alive. After this, Bartholomew went to India where he preached and translated the Gospel of St. Matthew into the Indian language. Following this, he entered Armenia where he cured the daughter of the king from insanity. But the envious brother of King Astyages seized God's apostle, crucified him on a cross, skinned him and finally beheaded him in Armenian Albanopolis [Derbend]. Christians honorably buried his body in a lead sarcophagus. Because many miracles occurred over his relics, the pagans took the sarcophagus and tossed it into the sea. But the water carried the sarcophagus to the Island of Lipara where Bishop Agathon, through a revelation in a dream, met and buried it in the church. St. Bartholomew, attired in a white garment, appeared in church to Venerable Joseph, the Hymnographer, blessed him with the Gospel that he may be able to sing spiritual hymns saying: "Let heavenly waters of wisdom flow from your tongue!" He also appeared to Emperor Anastasius (491-518 A.D.) and told him that he would protect the newly established town of Dara. Later, the relics of this great apostle were translated to Benevento and then to Rome. Great and awesome miracles have occurred over these relics.

Saint Barnabas, the Apostle. Barnabas was one of the Seventy Apostles. He was born in Cyprus of wealthy parents from the tribe of Levi and studied together with Saul under Gamaliel. At first, he was called Joseph but the apostles then called him Barnabas, Son of Consolation, because he was exceptionally capable of comforting the souls of the people. After Saul's conversion, Barnabas was the first to introduce Saul to the apostles and after that, with Paul [Saul] and Mark he preached the Gospel in Antioch and throughout other places. In all probability, he was the first to preach in Rome and Milan. He suffered on the island of Cyprus at the hands of the Jews and was buried by Mark beyond the western gate of the town of Salamis with the Gospel of St. Matthew on his chest which he, by his own hand, had copied. His grave remained unknown for several hundred years and since many received healing from sickness on this spot, this place was called: "the place of health." At the time of Emperor Zeno and the Chalcedon Council [451 A.D.], the apostle appeared to Archbishop Anthemius of Cyprus on three successive nights in a dream and revealed to him the location of Barnabas' grave. That appearance of the apostle occurred exactly at the time when Peter, the power-hungry Patriarch of Antioch, sought that the church in Cyprus be under the jurisdiction of the throne of Antioch. After the appearance and discovery of the miraculous relics of the holy Apostle Barnabas, it was established that the church in Cyprus, as an Apostolic Church, should always be independent. Thus, the autocephaly of the Church in Cyprus was established. *Prologue of Ohrid*

