

# THE PARISH NEWSLETTER    OCTOBER 2011

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## THE SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER

**SUNDAYS & FEASTS: 9:30 a.m., HOURS;    9:50 a.m., THE  
DIVINE LITURGY**

2    16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost    **Sisterhood of St. Olga meeting**  
9    17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
14    (Friday) Protection of the Theotokos  
16    18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost    **Church Council meeting**  
23    19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost    Seventh Ecumenical Council  
30    20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**OCTOBER NAMES' DAYS**    May God grant them many years!

3    Oleg Popov                    4    Dimitri Soloviev                    8    Sergey  
Krayniy  
11    Viatcheslav Boitchenko                    14    Roman Nedvidek  
15    Justina Henry                    19    Thomas Bradley    Thomas (Robert) Henry  
25    Domnika Popov                    31    Luke Gonyea    Luke Usov

## OCTOBER COFFEE HOUR TEAMS

2    BROTHERHOOD  
9    Natalie Schuler, Maryna Baker, Ingrid Knoll  
16    Maria Hauf, Bridget Taylor, Anya Hauf  
23    Rae Lynn Gonyea, Tania Scott, Paula Markesinnis, Charlie Murn  
30    Barbara Nikiforov, Shura Sinkevich, Anastasia Nikiforov

    If you are unable to host on your assigned date,  
    it is your responsibility to switch with another group.

**DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER ISSUE: Thursday,  
October 27**

Please submit items by e-mail or in writing. Thanks for your  
cooperation.

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*Nothing, whether it is good or bad, happens to a person by blind  
chance. There is a provident God Who steers the affairs of the world;*

*and with each one of us there is a Guardian who does not miss anything, and whose watchfulness never relaxes or grows weak.*  
St. Isaac of Syria

**Keep saving bacon grease in your refrigerator for Margo Beighey to use in making sauerkraut. She needs it by November 13. Thank you very much.**

### **THE TASTE OF RUSSIA**

Here again are the dates for our annual Taste of Russia event, the major fundraiser for our parish, so make sure you have them now.

Taste of Russia will be held on Saturday, November 19 from 10:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. We'll need lots of help that day, so keep it open, please. Tell Margo Beighey of your availability: 371-7758 or [margo8v@aol.com](mailto:margo8v@aol.com).

Vareniki will be made at the Church Hall on October 4, 11, 18, 25, and on November 1—all Tuesdays. People should arrive around 6:00 p.m. or whenever they can make it. Even one hour is helpful.

Golubtsy will be made at the Church Hall on Monday, November 7. About six people are needed during that day for a few hours. Please call Margo to tell her when you are available. On Tuesday, November 8 she needs two at 8:00 a.m., then several more at 9:00 a.m. until about 3:00 p.m., plus two to bake until about 8:00 p.m. Any time you can give helps! She needs six to eight people on November 10 at 7:00 p.m. for packaging.

Lots of Baked Goods are needed on November 19, either to sell whole or cut up and wrapped. Also, please suggest prices for what you bake.

*Do you realize what would happen if Moses were alive today? He'd come down from Mount Sinai with the Ten Commandments and spend the next five years trying to get them published.*

--Anonymous

### **PINEAPPLE-SCENTED APPLE CRISP** makes 9 servings

#### FILLING

1 cup pineapple juice    3 Tbs. granulated tapioca    2 Tbs. honey  
8 cups peeled and sliced apples    ½ tsp. ground cinnamon

#### TOPPING

2/3 cup quick-cooking rolled oats    2/3 cup regular rolled oats  
½ cup whole-wheat flour    ¼ cup (scant) oat flour [see note below]  
¼ cup orange juice    2 Tbs. honey    ½ tsp. vanilla

- 1) Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Combine pineapple juice and tapioca in large mixing bowl and let soften for 5 minutes. Add remaining filling ingredients. Toss lightly to combine. Spoon mixture into 13" x 9" baking pan. Bake for 20 minutes.

2) Meanwhile, for topping, combine both types of oats, wheat flour and oat flour in a medium bowl. Combine remaining topping ingredients in separate bowl; then pour over oat mixture. Toss lightly to combine.

3) Remove filling from oven. Crumble topping over filling and return to oven. Bake another 30 minutes, until topping is golden.

NOTE: If oat flour is unavailable, make your own by processing regular or quick-cooking rolled oats in a food processor until they are a flour-like consistency.

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### **THE LATEST FRESCO UPDATE**

Several smaller Fresco Medallions are still available at \$500 each. If you wish to donate towards completed frescoes or to ask about any to be begun, call Tasia Fedorov at 459-1253. If you have already requested a medallion fresco and have not yet paid for it, please do so as soon as possible. If anyone would like to purchase a fresco as a gift and would like to have a gift certificate printed, that can be arranged, also.

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### **THE RETURN OF THE BATS?—and how to get them back outdoors!**

Bats were nearly wiped out by an epidemic; so when a lone bat surprised your editor, his wife—and cat!—in their home last Wednesday night, it was a welcome sight, for bats eat almost their weight daily in mosquitoes and other insects, which are unusually abundant recently.

Here is a nearly foolproof method of ushering your confused mosquito-assassin out of your home. If a bat by accident invades your home, first, don't be afraid: It won't attack and is only interested to get out. Confine any pets. Encourage your children to sit, watch, and learn. Open a door to the outside and turn on an outdoor light or a flashlight placed just outside the door. If the bat is upstairs, open a window and follow the same procedure. Then turn off all indoor lights. The bat will soon exit toward the light. If the bat has perched, nudge it *gently* with a cane or broom to urge it to go outside to find its supper. Wish the bat *bon appetit!*

Your editor lives in a rural area and has never known this method to fail.

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