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Divine Services

Eve Sundays & Feast Days

5:00 PM Confessions

6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sundays and Feast Days

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Please check weekly schedule
for specific days (last page).

Previous Ambos on website.

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FEBRUARY 4, 2024

35TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

VENERABLE ISIDORE OF
PELUSIUM



Saint Isidore of Pelusium lived during the fourth-fifth centuries. He was a native of Alexandria, and was raised among pious Christians. He was a relative of Theophilus, Archbishop of Alexandria, and of his successor, Saint Cyril (January 18). While still a youth he quit the world and withdrew to Egypt to Mount Pelusium, which became the site of his monastic efforts.

Saint Isidore's spiritual wisdom and strict asceticism, combined with his broad learning and innate knowledge of the human soul, enabled him to win the respect and love of his fellow monks in a short time. They chose him as their head and had him or-

dained a priest (the earliest sources for his life, however, say nothing of him being an igumen).

Following the example of Saint John Chrysostom, whom he had managed to see and hear during a trip to Constantinople, Saint Isidore devoted himself primarily to Christian preaching, that "practical wisdom" which, in his own words, is both "the foundation of the edifice and the edifice itself", while logic is "its embellishment, and contemplation its crown".

He was a teacher and a willingly provided counsel for anyone who turned to him for spiritual encouragement, whether it was a simple man, a dignitary, a bishop, the Patriarch of Alexandria, or even the emperor. He left behind about 10,000 letters, of which 2,090 have survived. A large portion of these letters reveal profound theological thought and contain morally edifying interpretations of Holy Scripture. Saint Photius (February 6) calls Isidore a model of priestly and ascetical life, and also a master of style.

Saint Isidore's love for Saint John Chrysostom resulted in his support of Saint John when he was persecuted by the empress Eudoxia and Archbishop Theophilus. After the death of Saint John, Saint Isidore persuaded Theophilus' successor Saint Cyril to inscribe the name of Saint John

Chrysostom into the Church diptychs as a confessor. Through the initiative of Saint Isidore the Third Ecumenical Council was convened at Ephesus (431), at which the false teaching of Nestorius concerning the person of Jesus Christ was condemned.

Saint Isidore lived into old age and died around the year 436. The Church historian Evagrius (sixth century) writes of Saint Isidore, "his life seemed to everyone the life of an angel upon the earth." Another historian, Nikēphoros Callistus (ninth century), praises Saint Isidore thus: "He was a vital and inspired pillar of monastic rules and divine vision, and as such he presented a very lofty image of most fervent example and spiritual teaching."

VISITATIONS

Fr. Cizmar would like to know who requires visitation. He is eager to visit those who might have gone a long time without visitation for any reason at all. A key duty of a priest's ministry is to visit the sick and confined, those unable to attend the holy services for any reason. His phone number and email address are printed on the front of every Ambo, and are repeated here:

Father Jan Cizmar - 1(440) 732-8182 - st.theodosiuscathedral@gmail.com

The St. Theodosius Events Committee Requests Your Ideas!

Please share any ideas for events you might have with either Wayne Vidovich or Nicholas Zolikoff. We need your ideas!

Consider Sponsoring Coffee Hour!

For those who would like to HELP with Coffee Hour but don't cook, you can now *sponsor* a Coffee Hour! By donating \$65 you can sponsor a Coffee Hour, just put it in a white envelope marked "coffee hour" and place it in the collection basket or coffee hour basket in the Hall.

Parish Game Night!

Join us for a **Parish Game Night** on Sunday, February 18th, at 4:00 PM.

Pizza and salad will be provided.

Games will be board games and card games, specific games yet to be determined.

A selection will be available. Come and play games!



AN UPDATE ON READER PAUL PANGRACE

Paul is now at Vista Springs Greenbriar Village. Consider paying a visit or giving him a call, he'd love to hear from us.

Vista Springs Greenbriar Village

8668 Day Drive Apt 320

Parma, OH 44129

Main Desk: (440) 340-4000

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2024 Ancient Faith Men's Retreat

📅 Thu, August 22, 2024 - 04:00 PM EDT - Sun, August 25, 2024 - 01:00 PM EDT

📍 140 Church Camp Trail, Bolivar, PA 15923, USA

PLEASE NOTE: On "Order Summary," Zeffy automatically adds a suggested donation in order to keep their platform free for nonprofits, but you may remove this charge completely. Select "Other" and enter 0 to remove the fee. Ancient Faith cannot take responsibility if you do not remove the fee.

Please have your roommate(s)' contact information prepared when you register (email address and phone number). This is essential so all registrants receive important event information.

ABOUT THE EVENT

Forge enduring connections with Orthodox brothers, strengthen your faith, be encouraged, and challenge yourself at the first-ever Ancient Faith Men's Retreat. The retreat features four engaging speakers, daily services and Sunday Divine Liturgy, fellowship with like-minded Orthodox men, and more at the beautiful Antiochian Village Conference Center in Bolivar, PA. This is a four-day event, beginning Thursday evening and concluding after liturgy on Sunday.

SPEAKERS

Hieromonk Basil of Holy Cross Monastery in Wayne, West Virginia

Fr. John Strickland of St. Elizabeth Orthodox Church in Poulsbo, Washington, and author of the *Paradise and Utopia* series and the podcast of the same name

Fr. John Oliver of St. Elizabeth Orthodox Christian Church in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, and author of *Touching Heaven* and *Giver of Life* and host of the "Hearts and Minds" podcast

Fr. Michael Marcantoni of St. John Chrysostom Orthodox Church in Nashville, Tennessee, and host of the "On the Battlefield" podcast

DETAILS

Who's Invited: The Ancient Faith Men's Retreat is for Orthodox men who are college age and up! This is an openly Orthodox event. You do not have to be Orthodox to attend - if you want to be there, we want you there.

Roommates: Ancient Faith does not arrange roommates. You are responsible for finding your roommate and arranging to purchase your registration together.

Lodging Information: Lodging for the retreat is located at the conference center, *not* the camp. Rooms are configured like typical hotel rooms. For more information on accommodations and amenities, click [here](#).

Driving: There is plenty of free parking at Antiochian Village, so if you're within reach, this is a great way to come.

Airports: If you intend to fly, your best bet is Pittsburgh International Airport (1.5-2 hours drive from Antiochian Village). There is a closer, smaller airport in Latrobe, but airlines and flights are limited.

Airport Transportation: A shuttle is arranged for those flying into Pittsburgh International Airport for an additional cost. You are welcome to make separate arrangements, but do keep in mind that Uber and Lyft will not provide service to Antiochian Village from the airport. Please be sure your flights align with the shuttle schedule (details on the ticket description).

What to Wear: Please feel free to wear comfortable clothes. There will be activities available outdoors, although all the sessions will be indoors in the conference center. We will be celebrating Divine Liturgy together on Sunday morning, so pack "church clothes."

Cancellations & Refunds: Cancellations will be accepted and refunds until July 22, 2023. No refunds will be issued after this date. To cancel and receive a refund, email Ellie Bernasol (ellie@ancientfaith.com).

Ticket Transfers: Tickets are nontransferable. If a ticket holder is unable to attend, they may seek a refund before July 22, 2023.

Questions: Please don't hesitate to contact the guest coordinator, Ellie Bernasol at ellie@ancientfaith.com with any questions.



SAINT TIKHON'S ORTHODOX THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

You are invited to celebrate

ALL THE GOOD

85 years of St. Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary

honoring Mickey Herzak

Please Join

His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon,
His Eminence Archbishop Michael,
and His Eminence Archbishop Daniel

Saturday, March 9, 2024

5:00pm: Hierarchical Vespers

6:00pm: Cocktail Reception

7:00pm: Dinner & Celebration

Featuring The St. Tikhon's Mission Choir, Reflections from Alumni & Students, & More!

Woodside Event Center at Archangel Michael Orthodox Church
5025 East Mill Road, Broadview Heights, OH

To purchase tickets or make a donation, please visit
allthegood.stots.edu

Tickets must be purchased by Sunday, February 25

Questions or to purchase tickets over the phone, please contact David Getz, Administrative Assistant to the Dean at (570) 561-1818 x101 or david.getz@stots.edu.



**VISIT OF THE MOTHER OF
GOD OF TIKHVIN
SOVEREIGN LADY, QUEEN,
AND PROTETRESS OF THE
DIOCESE OF CHICAGO AND
THE MIDWEST**

Marking 20 years of her return to Tikhvin

On Thursday and Friday, February 22 & 23 the Cleveland Deanery of the Diocese of Chicago and the Midwest will host a visit of the Tikhvin Icon of the Mother of God. Services will be held at St. Nicholas in Mogadore, and St. Theodosios Cathedral, Cleveland. All are invited to come and join us in prayer.

**Thursday
February 22**

6:30pm Akathist

**St. Nicholas Church
755 Cleveland Ave
Mogadore, OH**

Reception to follow.

**Friday
February 23**

**Divine Liturgy &
Moleiben 9:00am**

**St. Theodosius
Cathedral
733 Starkweather Ave
Cleveland OH**

All Welcome

Questions

clevelanddeanery@gmail.com

PRAYER REQUESTS

as of 2/4/2024

Deceased

Archpriest Moses Berry

Special Intentions:

Fr. Micah Chisholm

Subdeacon Theodore Lentz

Subdeacon Roger Pinta

Subdeacon Leon Felon

Reader Paul Pangrace

Reader Frank Tkacz

Stephan Chwalyk

Horia Dascalescu (*Lavinia's brother*)

Diane Kearsey (*Janice Tkacz's Sister*)

Janice Tkacz

Eleanor Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)

Rachel Ohlin (*relative of Tatiana*)

Erin Zawolowycz

Carol Nielsen (*Paul Pangrace's sister*)

Virginia Medvec

Jeffrey Parhamovich (*brother of Karen Felon*)

Margaret Parhamovich (*sister-in-law of Karen Felon*)

Margaret Peyton (*Cathy's aunt*)

Jean Woycitzky Thompson (*Frank's cousin*)

Anna Marie Luvison (*daughter of Matthew & Katie Ellis Luvison*)

Debra Parhamovich (*sister of Karen Felon*)

Grace Mary Parhamovich (*mother of Karen Felon*)

Gayle Vidovich

Elizabeth Balasz

Lonnie Ellis (*Husband to Debra Ellis*)

Robert Martin Prock

Valentina Zawolowycz (*mother of Paul Z*)

Mark

Michael Kapeluck (*friend of Cathy*)

Robert McKay (*friend of Andrew Myrtrohovic*)

Paul Eppelle (*father-in-law of Lauren Eppelle*)

Elena Rich (*Jerry Czajkowski's daughter*)

Aaron and Nadine Drummond (*Ellis*) & unborn child

Wasył Miroewski (*Uncle of Tim Clos*)

Amelia Thombs (*Sister of Ethan*)

Jeanine

Martha (*friend of Linda Kovach*)

Andrea Hochmann (*Clos*)

Yonathan and Melissa King (*Wojnicz*) & unborn child. (*daughter of Alex Wojnicz*)

Carol Schigel (*President Nisi's and Matushka Cindy's aunt*)

Justina Zolikoff

Walter Dimitrijevs

Kathleen LeVine (*friend of Lauren*)

Please submit names to the Prayer List by emailing them to **Fr. Jan Cizmar**
st.theodosiuscathedral@gmail.com

Or calling at 1(440) 732-8182

Names remain on the list for 30 days unless requested otherwise.

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St. Theodosius Orthodox Christian Cemetery

8200 Biddulph Rd., Brooklyn OH 44144 • Paul Webb, Cemetery Manager 216-296-9739

Grave Prices

Effective January 2024

All graves \$2,100.00 + \$400.00 perpetual care fee = \$2,500.00 total

All infant graves \$ 1000.00

Coffee Hour Sign-Up

Questions/Concerns: Cathy Weber (412-215-1928)

Jan 7	Gayle and Wayne	Feb 18	Sponsored by William Lynk (Mike and Sarah Brennan to host)
Jan 14	Sponsored by Mat. Ludmila Timko (Mat. Jana to host)	Feb 25	Georgi and Lina
Jan 21	Cindy and Nikol	Mar 3	Sarah and Mike Brennan
Jan 28	Sponsored by William Lynk (Joyce & Judy to host)	Mar 10	(Meatfare) Cathy and Tammy
Feb 4	Sponsored by Greg Born (Georgi and Lina to host)	Mar 17	(Cheesefare) Dan & Lavinia
Feb 11	Shawna	Mar 24	(Great Lent) Jana
		Mar 31	Joyce & Judy

Sunday, February 4

35th Sunday after Pentecost
Afterfeast of the Meeting
Ven. Isidore of Pelusium (ca. 436-440)
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour

Monday, February 5

Afterfeast of the Meeting
Repose of St. Theodosius of Chernigov (1696)
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
6:00 PM Akathist to St. Theodosius

Tuesday, February 6

Afterfeast of the Meeting
St. Bucolus, Bishop of Smyrna (ca. 100)

Wednesday, February 7

Afterfeast of the Meeting
St. Parthenios, Bishop of Lampsakos (4th c.)

WEEKLY SCHEDULE 2024



Thursday, February 8

Afterfeast of the Meeting
Greatmartyr Theodore Stratelates
("the General"—319)
11:00 AM Faith Enrichment

Friday, February 9

Leavetaking of the Meeting
Martyr Nikephoros of Antioch in Syria
(ca. 257)

Saturday, February 10

St. Ioannikios, Father Confessor of the Dormition Holy Mountain Hermitage. Hieromartyr Haralambos, Bishop of Magnesia in Thessaly, and Martyrs Porphyrius, Baptus and three women Martyrs (202)
6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, February 11

36th Sunday after Pentecost
Hieromartyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebaste (ca. 316) 8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour