

# HOLY RESURRECTION ORTHODOX CHURCH

Mary Street, Belle Vernon, PA  
(Serving the faithful of Belle Vernon and surrounding areas)

*Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be Forever!*

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**Epistle Reading:** Galatians 2:16-20 **Gospel Reading:** Luke 8:41-56

**Next Week:** Hebrews 7:26-8:2 **Next Week:** John 10:9-16

\*Take time to read the scriptures to prepare your heart and mind for Sunday's Liturgy.

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| <b>Services</b> | Tues., Nov. 8 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Synaxis of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel &amp; Heavenly Hosts</b> |                |
|                 |                             | Divine Liturgy   | <b>7 am</b>    |
|                 | Sat., Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Great Vespers with Sacrament of Confession</b>                      | <b>7 pm</b>    |
|                 | Sun., Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup> | <b>St. John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople</b>               |                |
|                 |                             | Church School  | <b>9:15 am</b> |
|                 |                             | Divine Liturgy   | <b>10 am</b>   |

**Announcements:** Turkey Baskets for those in need at Thanksgiving"! Give Thanks for Your Blessings this Thanksgiving by lending a helping hand to someone less fortunate. St. Barbara's Altar Guild will be assembling Turkey Baskets for distribution on **Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**, **BUT WILL NEED EVERYONE'S HELP** to fill them! The Guild will be accepting **monetary donations to purchase all the Thanksgiving fixin's** for the baskets by **November 13<sup>th</sup>**. Please leave your donation at the Candle Stand. Also, the collection at the end of Divine Liturgy today and Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> will be used to help with this wonderful project. If you know of someone who is in need of a Turkey Basket, please see Fr. Sam or Gloria Yuschak. All information will be kept confidential, of course.

**PLEASE NOTE – CORRECTED ANNOUNCEMENT ~~ PLEASE DISREGARD LAST WEEK'S ANNOUNCEMENT! SEE BELOW:**

In today's bulletin, you will find St. Barbara's Annual Christmas Bake Sale order form. All nut, apricot and poppyseed rolls are \$10 each. You can submit your orders at the Candle Stand by **November 27<sup>th</sup>**. Please remember, due to the large demand for nut rolls, no orders can be accepted after the due date. Please remember to **include telephone numbers** on the order form.

**SAVE THE DATE:** His Grace, Bishop MELCHISEDEK, is hosting a special Altar Servers' Retreat on **Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>** at St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral in Allison Park. Our Altar Servers will soon be receiving fliers for the event and one will be posted on the vestibule bulletin board.

The first meeting of St. Barbara's Altar Guild took place last Sunday during coffee hour. Many ideas were brought to the table by President Yuschak and supported by fellow Guild members. A few of the "New Business" items of interest include:

- \* Fine tuning of the "**Turkey Baskets for the needy at Thanksgiving**" project was discussed. Anyone who would like to help pack the baskets, please come to the church social hall on **Saturday, November 19**. [Please see bulletin announcement for more information]
- \* Nut Roll baking – Orders are now being taken [see bulletin announcement] Last day for orders will be **November 27<sup>th</sup>**. Baking sessions will commence on **Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup>** and **Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**. Come on over to lend a hand, enjoy the fellowship and get into the holiday spirit. Nothing beats the aroma of freshly baked holiday rolls! Don't forget, real men roll nut rolls too!
- \* Election of Officers – President Gloria Yuschak has relinquished her position. Toni Costella has been elected to fill her position, Evelyn Sepitko has been reelected as Vice President, Wendy Hatalowich has also been reelected as Secretary and Julia Urdenis has been elected as Treasurer. Congratulations to all!
- \* The Guild also discussed getting together to visit our shut-ins. Being a shut-in makes the days long. Many would welcome a phone call or a visit from someone. If you have the gift of gab, please consider volunteering to brighten someone's day!
- \* *LOOKING AHEAD* ~~~ The Guild will be hosting a covered dish "Russian New Year's Day Party" on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012. More information will be forthcoming.
- \* .... Stay tuned ~ more to come soon on a Christmas Project ...

These are the highlights from last Sunday's meeting. St. Barbara's is an organization attune to the needs of not only Holy Resurrection, but the community atlarge. Consider helping out the Guild. The feeling you'll receive will be immeasurable!

## *Feast Day of St. Paul the Confessor – November 6<sup>th</sup>*

When the blessed Patriarch Alexander was lying on his deathbed, the lamenting faithful asked him whom he would leave to follow him as chief pastor of the flock of Christ. Then the sick Patriarch said to them: 'If you want to have a shepherd who will teach you and whose virtues will illumine you, choose Paul; but, if you want a suitable man as a figurehead, choose Macedonius.' The people chose Paul. This was not acceptable to the Arian heretics, nor to the Emperor Constantius, who was at that time in Antioch, and so Paul was quickly disposed and fled to Rome together with St. Athanasius the Great. There, both Pope Julian and the Emperor Constans gave them a warm welcome and upheld them in their Orthodoxy. The Emperor and the Pope sent letters which restored Paul to his Episcopal throne, but, after the death of Constans, the Arians raised their heads again and drove the Orthodox Patriarch off to Cucusus in Armenia. While Paul was celebrating the Liturgy one day in exile, he was set on by the Arians and strangled with his pallium. This was in the year 351. In the time of the Emperor Theodosius, in 381, his relics were translated to Constantinople, and in 1236 to Venice where they still lie. (A small piece of his relics is kept at the Russian Cathedral in London.)

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