

# 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:** 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9      **Gospel Reading:** Luke 6:31-36  
**Next Week:** Galatians 1:11-19      **Next Week:** Luke 7:11-16

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

**Altar Servers:** Mark Farrell / Zach Billie

**Services** Sun., Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>      **Martyrs Eulampius & Eulampia;  
26 Martyrs of Zographou;  
Theotecnus of Antioch**  
Divine Liturgy      **10 am**  
**FESTIVAL!**      **Noon**

**Announcements:** A warm welcome to Fr. Deacon Bob Matechak who is with us this morning. Many thanks to him and all our Archdiocesan Deacons for their fine service to our parish, deanery and Archdiocese.

As previously mentioned, Fr. Sam & Matushka are away, returning very late Monday night. Two local priests have agreed to respond to pastoral needs: Fr. Gregory Peterson (Charleroi-OCA) at (724) 483-4441, and Fr. Fred Pfeil (Monessen-Antiochian) at (724) 326-4183. .

**Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>** are fast approaching. If available either or both days, please come and lend a hand to help make your festival a huge success! These two upcoming cooking sessions are the BIGGEST. Many hands help make the work go quickly. Also, set-up of Baba's flea market will be taking place on Saturday. Come lend a hand to sort and help display all the donated treasures.

One week until the festival and it will go fast! Baba needs a hand filling her Bake Shop. After preparing all the food and getting the social hall ready for her guests, she's running out of steam and needs your help to bake. Can you help? Do you have a favorite baked good(s)

that you would like to contribute? (Please no refrigerated items.) Please bring your baked good(s) to the social hall anytime on **Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Our **Annual Fall Festival** will be held on **Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm to 6 pm** or until we're sold out. Please see the listing all cooking sessions starting at 7 a.m. on Saturdays posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Come join in the fellowship while helping make Baba's specialties.

Also, when doing your weekly grocery shopping, please consider purchasing an extra case of pop or water and donating towards this worthy cause.

The flea market items are starting to come in and what a nice selection we starting to accumulate! Don't forget --when cleaning out your closets, spare rooms or basement, please remember your parish's flea market! One person's garbage may be another's treasure! Please feel free to drop off any flea market donations you have to the church hall. Let's make this year's even better than last year's!

**REMEMBER: YOUR DONATION(S) DIRECTLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF THIS ENDEAVOR! THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED! GOD BLESS! LET'S KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!**

**THOUGHTS FROM THE HOLY FATHERS**      by Bishop Nikolai Velimirovic

*The Protection of the Holy Mother of God to Two Saints*

The most holy Mother of God often appears to holy men at the time of some need, such as to encourage them in asceticism, to heal them of sickness or to reveal some mystery to them. Two wonderful and somewhat similar happenings took place at the Great Lavra on the Holy Mountain, to St. John Kukuzelis and St. Gregory, at different times.

During the great Akathist in the Great Fast, while it was being sung, John was very tired and sat down on a chair near the icon of the Mother of God. Sitting there, he fell asleep. The All-Pure appeared to him at that moment in heavenly splendor, and said to him: 'Greetings, John! Sing, and don't stop singing; and for this I will never leave you.' With these words, she put a gold piece into John's hand. When he woke from the dream, he found himself clutching the gold piece. Comparable wonders took place after this, both connected with the icon of the Mother of God and the gold piece she gave him.

The second happening concerned the monk Gregory. He, like Kukuzelis, was a singer in church. Patriarch Kallistos had instituted the practice, in the Liturgy of St. Basil, of singing: 'All creation in thee rejoices. . .' in place of 'It is meet. ..'. His successor, Patriarch Philotheus, had rescinded this and said that, for brevity, "It is meet. . . should always be sung. Once, though, on the Eve of the Theophany, in the presence of Patriarch Gregory of Alexandria, Gregory sang: 'All creation. ..'. Immediately after this, the All-Pure appeared to him, as she had to Kukuzelis, put a gold piece in his hand and said: 'I am very grateful to you for your singing in my honor.' So, from that time, the practice was that 'All creation. . .' should always be sung instead of "It is meet. . ." when the Liturgy of St. Basil was celebrated.

The Leonard J. Parzynski Funeral Home sponsored this week's bulletin.

