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**WEEKLY BULLETIN**



**Sunday October 27, 2024**

***This Week's News***

**HOLY TRINITY - Annual Meeting of the General Assembly, originally scheduled for Wednesday, September 25, 2024, has been cancelled due to the inability to confirm a quorum. As permitted by the corporation's Bylaws, a special General Assembly meeting is now scheduled for Monday, November 4, 2024, at 6:00 pm.**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**NOVEMBER 10, AFTER DIVINE LITURGY – LUNCHEON** before the Christmas lent begins.

We will have pasta with meatballs and stuffed cabbage leaves, salad and rolls and for dessert, cannoli. Adults \$20, children meals are \$5.

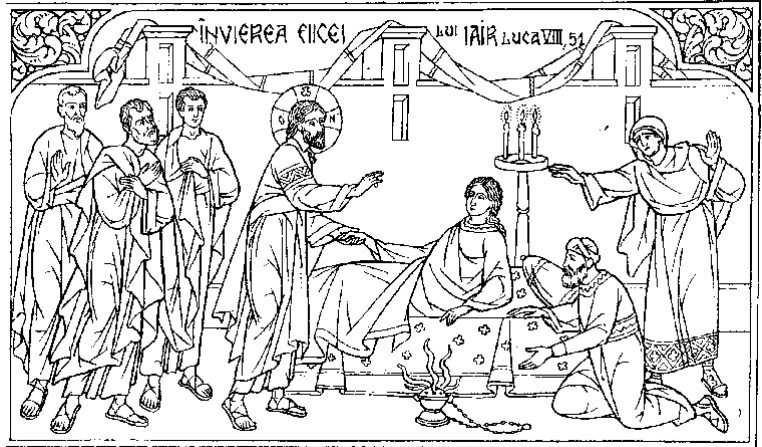
**BAKE SALE AND HOLIDAY CRAFT MARKET**

– **NOVEMBER 23<sup>rd</sup>** - We will have pies, scones, sweet bread, biscuits, pitas, everything to get you ready for Thanksgiving and Christmas. There will also be vendors with different things to sell, raffle baskets and if you are hungry, you can get a slice of spanakopita, a bowl of bean soup or chicken noodle soup. You can also take them to go.

*Please see flyers below.*

**TROPARION OF ST. DIMITRIE THE NEW**

The image of God was truly preserved in you, O Father Dimitrie, for you took up the cross and followed Christ. By so doing, you taught us to disregard the flesh, for it passes away; but to care instead for the soul, since it is immortal. Therefore, your spirit, O Holy Mother Mary, rejoices with the angels!



**The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Apostolic Reading: Ephesians 2:14-22**

**Gospel: Luke 8:41-56**

**(Jesus Heals the Woman & Raises Jairus' Daughter)**

**Tone 1 † Resurrection Gospel 7**

**RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION**

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

**APOLYTIKION OF ST. DEMETRIUS THE MYRRH-STREAMER**

The world has found in you a great champion in time of peril, as you emerged the victor in routing the barbarians. For as you brought to naught the boasts of Lyaiois, imparting courage to Nestor in the stadium, in like manner, holy one, great Martyr Dimitrios, invoke Christ God for us, that He may grant us His great mercy.

**ORDINARY KONTAKION**

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.



"People condemned God to death, but God, through His resurrection, "condemns" people to immortality, instead of the blows that people gave Him, He embraces them; instead of insults, He shares them blessings; instead of death He gives them immortality. Never did men show hatred to God as when they crucified Him, and never did God show love to men as when He rose again. People wanted Him make God mortal, but He, through His resurrection, made men immortal."

Saint Iustin Popovici  
1894 - 1979

**Happy Birthday! God Grant  
You Many More Years!**

October 06 – Remus Ionete  
October 16 - Tyler Michael  
Maynard  
October 22 – Dcn. Sergiu Concu

**Let us Pray for the good  
health of:**

Elizabeth, Rooney, Ekaterina, Psa Ileana, Psa Camelia, Anca, John, Luiza, Margareta, Marius-Nicolae, Viorica, Loredana-Anca, Teodora, Joanne, Deborah-Ann, Fr. Stefan and his son Andrei, Elena, for their helath and for their salvation!  
Amin!

**Dates to remember:**

**October 01** - (†) Holy Protection of the Theotokos  
**October 14** - (†) St. Parascheva from Iasi  
**October 26** - (†) The Holy Great Martyr Demetrius the Myrrh-streamer  
**October 27** - (†) St. Dimitrie the New, the protector of Bucharest.

***A Prayer of Fr. Laurence***

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! O God of all consolations: Sustain us in our trials and troubles, and reinforce the little strength we have as we battle with our demons. Then, lead us out of our own small world to embrace others and help them with their concerns. Prevent us from always focusing on ourselves. Let us never repay evil with evil, but, rather, may we always respond with good, for this is how you yourself deal with us at all times. For you are one to have mercy on us and save us, O God, and we give you glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!



**LITURGICAL SCHEDULE**

Day	Date	Time	Service Type
October			
Monday	1-Oct	7:30	Matins
		8:00	(†) The Feast of the Holy Skepi of the Theotokos
Sunday	6-Oct	9:00	Matins
		10:00	The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost "Jesus Raises the Son of the Widow of Nain"
Sunday	13-Oct	9:00	Matins
		10:00	The Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost - "(Parable of the Sower and the Seed)". The Sunday of the Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council
Monday	14-Oct	7:30	Matins
		8:00	(†) St. Parascheva from Iasi.
Sunday	20-Oct	9:00	Matins
		10:00	The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost - "Jesus Heals the Gerasene Demoniac".
Wednesday	23-Oct	9:30	Divine Liturgy at "Holy Trinity" Nursing and Rehabilitation Centre
Sunday	27-Oct	9:00	Matins
		10:00	The Twentyfourth Sunday after Pentecost - ( Jesus Heals the Woman & Raises Jairus's Daughter); †) St. Dimitrie the New, the protector of Bucharest.

October 26<sup>th</sup>

The Holy Great Martyr Demetrius the Myrrh-streamer



October 27<sup>th</sup>

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## CHURCH & FACILITY NEEDS

The list below contains **ongoing needs for the Church as well as special needs that may arise**. Any and every offering is most appreciated. If you have any questions, or would like to donate for or towards one of these items, please speak with [Fr. Vasile](#), any member of the Parish Council, or use the [online giving](#) site.

**\$25 - Box of Three Kings Charcoal (100 pieces)**

**\$100 - Beeswax Candles for the Holy Altar**

**\$200 - Sacramental vine**

**\$100 - Olive oil for candles**

## Programul educațional Cercetându-ți Credința pentru anul 2024-25

În **PRIMA JOI** a fiecărei luni, **Pr. Dr. John Downie** de la parohia Sf. Mihail din Southbridge MA va susține un program de **STUDIUL BIBLIC** în **LIMBA ENGLEZĂ** despre Sf. **Evanghelie de la Luca**. Lecția de studiu biblic se va desfășura pe portalul de

ZOOM: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3570604649?pwd=PB7HbdnWC5C7Iemca0AxOqPbDgD6FU.1&omn=89395428414>

În a **DOUA JOI** a fiecărei luni, **în perioada septembrie - decembrie 2024**, mai mulți preoți ai Mitropoliei vor susține seri de catehism pe tema Anului omagial 2024 dedicat *Pastorației persoanelor bolnave*. Din ianuarie 2025, vom avea o serie de lecții de catehism pe tema *Istoria Bisericii Ortodoxe Române* cu ocazia Anului omagial al Centenarului Patriarhiei BOR, pe portalul de

ZOOM <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81905363350?pwd=pkIzFyNUy2GqZnGRxExRy0lAUdZP1P.1>

În a **TREIA JOI** a fiecărei luni, **P. Cuv. Protosinghel Ieremia Berbec**, starețul Mănăstirii Sfântul Dimitrie cel Nou din Middletown, NY, susține o **SEARĂ DUHOVNICEASCĂ** cu tema "**Hristos în istorie**" pe **portalul**

**YOUTUBE:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLnwBDnhsL0>

În a **PATRA JOI** a fiecărei luni, **Prof. Dr. Gheorghe Butuc** de la Seminarul Teologic Sf. Andrei din Galați va susține un



## **Bake Sale and Holidays Crafts Market**

**St Nicholas Church  
34 Gold St Shrewsbury MA**

**NOVEMBER 23RD, 10 AM - 4 PM**

**BAKE SALE:  
PITA, SCONES, BREADS, BISCUITS, PIES**

**LUNCHEON:  
SPANAKOPITA \$5, BEAN SOUP \$3, CHICKEN  
NOODLE SOUP \$3**

**Enjoy Christmas music, raffle  
baskets, and vendors!**



# Holiday Crafts Market

LOOKING FOR SELLERS, CRAFTERS, AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS

*St Nicholas Orthodox Church*

**34 GOLD ST, SHREWSBURY, MA**

**NOVEMBER 23RD**

**10 AM - 4 PM**

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CONTACT:

**CRISTINAIUSCO@YAHOO.COM**

**781 308 2660**

TO RENT A TABLE,  
MAKE CHECKS FOR \$30  
TO ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH



THE COUNCIL OF EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCHES OF CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS

**INVITES YOU TO**

# **Casting a Net**

*Making Disciples of All Nations*

**Saturday, November 2nd, 2024**

Reception at 5:00pm, dinner and program  
to follow ending at 8:00pm

**St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral**

102 Russell Street, Worcester MA 01609



**With His Grace Bishop  
Neofitos of Kenya and  
OCMC Grants & Projects  
Manager, Santhe Loizos**



Learn about OCMC's Kenya initiatives including Theological Education that is training new priests, self-sustainability projects that are empowering the Church through income generation, evangelism amongst people in new places, and our global Grants Program.



**\$15 for Adults and \$10 for Students**

*Adult price increases to \$20 after 10/27.* Register online or by scanning the QR code or visiting the link below. Donations are also welcomed if you cannot attend!

[www.ocmc.org/WorcesterDinner](http://www.ocmc.org/WorcesterDinner)

Call 508-873-9836 or email [savvas@ourmanor.com](mailto:savvas@ourmanor.com) for more info



## HOLY TRINITY NEWS

October 27, 2024

### THIS WEEK AT HOLY TRINITY

Sunday: Movie Matinee 'Hocus Pocus' 2:30pm  
Monday: 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Country Western Chili Cook off!! Joey C Entertainment 1:30pm  
Tuesday: Art Fun and Haunted Houses in Massachusetts, Fit USA 2pm, Wine Social 3pm  
Wednesday: **Divine Liturgy:** Every Wednesday at 9:30 am. Harvest Parade with the Worcester Comprehensive Pre-School 10:30am  
Thursday: Hollows Eve Social-Costume Parade and Voting 1:30p,  
Friday: Library Cart and Craft Day

Anyone is welcome to stop by and take part in our activities, including Liturgy every Wednesday. If you have any questions or plan to stop by for an activity, please contact Isabelle Bouchard, at 508-852-1000.

**STAY CONNECTED: Like our Facebook.**

With the upcoming Holidays it can be a time of joy and connection for people with dementia and their families, but they can also be challenging. Here are some tips for making holidays more enjoyable for people with dementia and aging adults. |

#### **Involve the person**

Ask the person what they would like to do and include them in preparations. They might enjoy helping with food, wrapping gifts, or decorating.

- **Create a comfortable environment**

Choose a familiar place, and if meeting indoors, open windows and screen doors. If meeting online, use familiar technology and allow time for screen breaks.

- **Simplify traditions**

Focus on joyous moments and celebrations that are inclusive and participative. You can also try sensory-based activities that engage their senses, such as music, gentle textures, or familiar scents.

- **Consider the length of stay**

Shorter trips may be better for some people with dementia. Day trips can be a nice way to get away from home without having to stay the night.

- **Focus on the present**

Focus on what the person is still able to do and what they choose to do now, rather than dwelling on what they used to do.

- **Be patient**

Take on fewer tasks and let go of activities that seem overwhelming, stressful, or too risky.

- **Build on traditions**

You can build on traditions and memories, or experiment with new traditions that might be less stressful.

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DCN. SERGIU CONCU**



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*Sunday Services: Matins at 9:00 am and Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am*