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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2017
Saint Euphrosyne of Alexandria
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Reading
2 Corinthians 9:6-11

Gospel Reading
Luke 5:1-11

*Christ is in our midst!
He is and ever shall be!*

Troparion for Saint Euphrosyne

As an ascetic you hid your womanhood and your falling-asleep was an amazement, O Euphrosyne. Though a woman, you toiled as a man, and by your prayers you save those who honor you!

Kontakion: Desiring the life on high and forsaking all earthly pleasures, you lived as a man among men, O Euphrosyne. For the sake of Christ your Bridegroom, you spurned earthly betrothal!

Memory Eternal

We offer a Memorial Litany for Hossana Aberra's friend, Delia, who fell asleep at the age of 101 in Puerto Rico in the aftermath of Hurricane Maria. We also pray for the soul of Vivian Beachy on the 40th day since her repose. Većnaja pamjat+

Metropolitan Tikhon Issues Statement on the Tragedy in Las Vegas

"... Our hearts ache for the families and friends of the victims and we offer fervent prayers for the repose of the souls of those whose lives were tragically cut short. We ask that God send down upon them the spirit of peace and consolation. We also offer thanksgiving for the timely and heroic actions of the first responders. Finally we offer our prayers for the city of Las Vegas and all of those who have been affected by these tragic events. We ask that all Orthodox Christians remember the victims and their families in their prayers." (Excerpt, see www.oca.org)

Welcome to Our Guests

We offer a warm welcome to all guests. May you experience along with us the fullness of the Orthodox Faith through the Divine Liturgy. Please join us for Coffee Hour. You are always welcome to share in our worship, study, fellowship and charity outreach.

Special Guest from International Orthodox Christian Charities

Mr. Lou Zagami joins us for Divine Liturgy today. During Coffee Hour, he will give a presentation highlighting some of IOCC's activities in Serbia. This is a great opportunity to learn of their past and current humanitarian efforts.

St. Nicholas Cathedral Fall Bazaar – Today

The Cathedral is sponsoring its 54th annual Fall Bazaar with an extensive menu of Eastern European foods, ethnic music and dancing, books and gifts, and Cathedral tours from 11AM to 5PM. See www.stnicholasdc.org for more details.

Vespers and Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, October 11

Vespers begins at 7PM this Wednesday. Come join in the prayers and the adult discussion group on "The Heavenly Banquet" by Fr. Emanuel Hatzidakis.

Men's Prayer Breakfast – Saturday, October 14

This coming Saturday at 9AM, all men of our parish are invited to this month's Prayer Breakfast and open discussion on faith and life events.

St. Luke Annual Patron Saint Day/Slava Celebration – Sunday, October 29

We will be celebrating our St. Luke Slava at the end of the month. Metropolitan Tikhon will be joining us for the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy. At this service, he will elevate Fr. John to the rank of Archpriest and present St. Luke with a Synodal Gramota on our 55th anniversary as a parish. Don't miss this milestone event.

Retreat at Holy Archangels Mission – Saturday, November 4, 1-4PM

V. Rev. Dr. Chad Hatfield, President of St. Vladimir's Seminary, will be leading a retreat at Holy Archangels Orthodox Mission in Annapolis, MD on Saturday, November 4 titled, "Three Ways to Know the Body of Christ: Incarnation, Mission, Sacrament". Register on line at <http://www.orthodoxannapolis.org/>

God Grant You Many Years!

May God bless Ron Kecman on his birthday today and Kate Gariano for her recent birthday. Happy Anniversary to Rick and Amanda Costello. Mnogaja ljeta!