

News from St. Nick's **Sunday June 26, 2022**

The Second Sunday After Pentecost **The Sunday of Regional All Saints**

Apostolic Reading: [Romans 2: 10-16](#)

Gospel: [Matthew 4: 18-23](#)

"Jesus Calls the First Disciples"

Tone 1 • Resurrection Gospel 2

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"Only to the priest, God gave the right to hold the Mystery of Confession and read the permissive prayer. None of the Heavenly Forces is given this. And God allowed the priest to be a sinner, for a sinful priest would better understand a sinful man."

+ St. John Chrysostom

A dear parishioner asked me recently "Father, how should I prepare myself for confession?" I said, look deeply into your soul and whatever you don't like, tell God. Through the Confession Mystery, God will be happy to cleanse you as a good father will cleanse his beloved child.

God bless you all, beloved children!

Your brother in Christ,

Fr. Vasile

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NATIVITY OF THE FORERUNNER - Friday, June 24, Akathist at 9 am, Liturgy at 10 am

CONFESSION - Fr. Vasile will be available for confession on **Saturday, 6/25** from **10:00 am**, *or at another time by appointment*. In either case, **please call ahead: 508-320-0645**.

HOLY APOSTLES PETER & PAUL - **Wednesday, June 29**, Akathist at 9 am, Liturgy at 10 am

NO LITURGY JULY 3 - There will be **NO Divine Liturgy at our Church next Sunday, July 3** because Fr. Vasile will be attending the Metropolitan Congress in Troy, MI. We encourage you to use this as an opportunity to visit one of our sister Orthodox Churches in the area.

NEWLY BAPTIZED - On Saturday, June 18 in our community we had the joy of baptizing the child of God, Sofia, daughter of Serghei and Olga, into the Holy Orthodox Faith. We congratulate the parents, the Sponsor, Ivan & Lucy and “big brother” Dan and ask our Loving Lord to bless Sofia and her family with a long life, health, prosperity, and many years!

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING is **Saturday, July 23 from 9 am to 2 pm**, and we need about **3-4 people** to help with traffic and coordination. Please contact [Gerry Belba](#) if you are able to volunteer on that day.

TWO MORE COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - As we restructure coffee hour for the Fall, **2 more volunteers are needed to plan and organize coffee hour once per month**. We thank **Dina Salerno** and **Jenny Montvitt** for coming forward to serve the Church! If you would like to join them, please reach out to [Valarie Stamoulis](#) or [Betty Anderson](#) to volunteer!

UKRAINIAN RELIEF: The **Saint Paraskeva Orthodox Charity** Our Metropolia in partnership with the Archdiocese of Suceava and Rădăuți is working to support Ukrainian war refugees in transit or intending to stay in Romania. Funds collected will assist the efforts of the monasteries and parishes in the diocese. To learn more and contribute, please [click here for the website of Saint Parascheva Charity](#) or go to their [Facebook page](#).

OUR ON-LINE GIVING SYSTEM HAS BEEN UPGRADED! Please check it out by [clicking here](#), or by using the [ON-LINE](#) link on the left menu of our parish homepage. You may use this option to submit one-time or recurring payments.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

Attention all school age children, grades K-12!!!! It is that time again ... **Vacation Church School with our friends from St. Anargyroi's church in Marlboro.**

WHEN: Monday & Tuesday, **August 1-2.**

TIME: **9:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

LOCATION:

- **Monday, 8/1 at Sts. Anargyroi**, 9 Central St., Marlboro, MA
- **Tuesday, 8/2 at St. Nicholas**, 34 Gold St., Shrewsbury

THEME: Our theme this year will be “The Divine..”. Very excited to have Fr. Vasile demonstrating how to make Holy Bread.

RSVP: By July 25

- Email [Valarie Stamoulis](#), or call / text 617-803-3798 or
- E-mail [Presbytera Eleni Christakos](#) or call / text 603-566-1514.

We hope your children can attend and have fellowship with the children from St. Anargyroi's. Feel free to contact Valarie or Presbytera Eleni with any questions.

NOTES FROM HOLY TRINITY

SUMMER TIP - Don't forget to rest! Even though you may be changing your routine by attending summer events and reconnecting with family and friends, it's important to get from 7-9 hours of sleep a night. A nice cool room will help you sleep.

COVID 19 REHABILITATION UNIT - Holy Trinity currently has six employees who are out with Covid-19. In addition, one resident in Hillside tested positive(facility-acquire). All Hillside residents will be tested every three days for the next ten days. All Hillside staff must wear KN95 masks and follow enhanced precautions. It is important to be vigilant, and we are applying all the tools in our prevention toolbox to protect each other. Thank you for all you are doing to keep Holy Trinity safe, including wearing face masks and social distancing!

DIVINE LITURGY - The Divine Liturgy is celebrated each Wednesday morning at 9:30 am for our residents. We welcome volunteers and visitors who would like to attend.

JOB OPENINGS - We invite you to be part of a team where you are encouraged to see the value in every person and build connections. To join our award-winning team and advance your career, for a full listing and detailed job descriptions of our openings, visit: <https://www.holytrinityrehab.org/employment/>

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ORTHODOX LINKS

[Romanian Orthodox Metropolia of the Americas](#)

[Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of North and Central America](#) (Assembly of Bishops)

[International Orthodox Christian Charities](#) (IOCC)

[Orthodox Christian Mission Center](#) (OCMC)

[Orthodox Christian Radio Network](#) (OCN)

[Council of Eastern Orthodox Churches of Central Mass.](#) (CEOC)

ALL THINGS ORTHODOX - weekly show hosted by Fr. Chris Stamas of St. Spyridon airs on the Worcester Cable channel 194 on Mon @ 7 pm, Sat - 8 pm & Sun - 9 pm or at the cable website: wccatv.com, or the Worcester TV Roku app.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Fri, June 24 Nativity of the Forerunner - Akathist-9 /Liturgy-10
Wed, June 29 Holy Apostles Peter & Paul - Akathist-9 /Liturgy-10
Sun, July 3 NO Liturgy at our Church
Sat, July 23 Electronic Recycling Day
Mon/Tues, Aug 1-2 Vacation Church School

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