

programs done through "Wonder Works" project. We congratulate and encourage wonder worker Jenny Montvitt, that initiated and works tirelessly to make this programs efficient, to keep up the good and inspiring work. I encourage all our parishioners to contribute to this project by donating goods and volunteer to help in any way that it's needed to help our church and more importantly to bring and keep our beautiful community together!

MEMORIAL DAY - Monday, May, 25th Fr. Vasile will be at Hope Cemetery from 10:00 am. The common Memorial Service will be at noon at the Altar of the Hope Cemetery. If you would like Fr. Vasile to visit a grave in another cemetery, please contact him to make arrangements: 508 320-0645 or fr.vasileaileni@gmail.com

SUMMER CAMP - You are invited to spend a few days of spiritual enrichment, worship and fellowship in a vibrant and spiritual community. Exquisite camp site, surrounded by tranquil nature in Pennsylvania mountains and variety of enjoyable activities will make memories that will last a lifetime. Join us!

COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS NEEDED for the coming weeks. Please speak with Betty Anderson or Cristina Iusco if you would like to sponsor one.

Weekly Reflection



"You will begin to avoid condemning those who sin, if you remember that Judas was in the assembly of Christ's disciples, and the robber in the number of murderers; but in a single moment the wonderful change took place."

Saint John the Ladder 579 - 649

A Prayer of Fr. Laurence

LET US PRAY TO THE LORD! Sweet Jesus, our savior: We who enjoy the effulgence of the sun and who delight in the luminescence of the moon give thanks to you for the gifts of light and sight. In our good fortune, most of us have never actually known the meaning of being blind, and we cannot even begin to appreciate what a life of total darkness is. You, however, know all things, so your understanding and tenderness brought you to bestow a twofold enlightenment on that poor fellow who had been deprived of sight from his mother's womb. As we commemorate his healing during this paschal season, we entreat you to preserve us from all interior blindness that we may always see reality as it is in fact, and live accordingly. For you are the healer of our souls and bodies, Christ our God, and we give you glory, together with your eternal Father and your all-holy, good, and life giving Spirit: now and forever, and unto ages of ages. Amen!



The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. JOHN 9:1-38

"At that time, as Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. We must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know. They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how

he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet. The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore, his parents said, "He is of age, ask him. So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become his disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe"; and he worshiped him."

St. Nicholas Church Presents
1st Annual Wonder Works

YARD SALE

June 6th 9-4 PM

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tools, baby items, clothes, toys,
household, small furniture, decor

AND SO MUCH MORE!

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starting this summer at St. Nick's:**

- Team Wonder basketball
- Mom + me playgroups
- classes
- crafting & movie drop - in nights

Wonder Worker

@ St. Nicks is the new place for fun & educational programs

**GREEN DAY
RECYCLING**



**ELECTRONICS
RECYCLING EVENT**

SATURDAY, MAY 16th, 2026
9:00 AM — 2:00 PM

St Nicholas Church • Parking Lot
34 Gold Street, Shrewsbury MA

What You Can Bring/ Cost to You:

\$5
EACH

Computer Towers, Laptops, DVD Players, VCR's, Small Printers, Stereos, Radios, Alarm Clocks, Speakers, Video Game Consoles, Table Lamps, Fans, Hair Dryers, Curling Irons, Projectors, Paper Shredders, Power Tools, Drills, Cameras, Clocks, Trophies, Frying Pans, Holiday Lights, Other Small Electronics.

\$10
EACH

Small Household Appliances, Vacuum Cleaners/Roomba, Toaster Ovens, Ceiling Fans, Floor Lamps, Air Fryers, Electric Grills, Hot Plates, Small Radiators, Keyboard Pianos, Coffee Makers, Ice Makers, Small Garbage Disposal, Sewing Machines, Car Seats.

\$20
EACH

Flat Screen Computer Monitors, Microwaves, Dehumidifiers, Air Conditioners, Water Coolers, Large Printers/Copiers, Leaf Blowers, Chainsaws, Heat Lamps, Artificial Christmas Trees, Fire Extinguishers, Propane Tanks (Empty).

\$25
EACH

TVs up to 26," CRT Monitors, Outdoor Grills, Dorm Sized Refrigerators

\$30
EACH

TVs between 26" and 35," White Goods, Washing Machines, Dryers, Stoves, Dishwashers, Large Appliances, Large Yard Equipment, Treadmills, Exercise Equipment, Snow Blowers, Lawn Mowers, Rototillers, Large Generators, Motors, Water Tanks

\$35
EACH

TVs over 36," Large Refrigerators, Ride-On Lawn Mowers.

\$40
EACH

Projection TVs

FREE!

(Cash Donations Appreciated)
Bicycles (Reusable), Cell Phones, Keyboards, Tablets, Video Game Media and Accessories, Wires, Cables, Batteries, Chargers, VHS/DVD's.

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Contact:

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CASH PREFERRED, VENMO, CHECKS (OVER \$30)

Consulate General of Romania In New York



Itinerary Consulate At St. Nicholas Church 34 Gold Street Shrewsbury Massachusetts

June 6th 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

June 7th 11:30 Am - 2:30 PM

- passports
- Romanian citizenship
- IDs
- Serviciile consulare se efectuează NUMAI pe bază de programare online la www.econsulat.ro
(<http://www.econsulat.ro/>)

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church

Young Adult Retreat

Friday May 22 - Sunday May 24 here at Saint Michael Orthodox Church in Southbridge, MA

Guest speaker **Fr. Peter Heers**, priest, professor, author, speaker, translator, publisher, and host of *The Orthodox Ethos* podcast.

Prices:

Full program: \$100 (includes two lectures, five meals, and activities)

Saturday only: \$65 (Includes lecture, two meals, and activities. Open to all ages!)

Family discounts and financial support are available; contact joshua@seigler.net.

Register



Orthodox FOOD CENTER

A collaboration of the Worcester area Orthodox churches; its mission is to distribute food to low income and homeless individuals residing in the Worcester area.

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SUMMER CAMP

— at —

Spruce Lake

PA



<https://www.sprucelake.org/>



WHEN:
July 27
to
July 31



ADDRESS:
Spruce Lake Retreat
5389 PA-447,
Canadensis, PA 18325



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CAMP ACTIVITIES:



morning and evening prayers;



catechesis, conferences and discussions related to the Holy Mysteries, saints, the role of youth and children in the Church and community;



Gym, campfire; hikes through the forest;



many other games, sports, and fun activities.



PRICE

\$400

This price includes accommodation, 3 meals per day, snacks between meals.



INFORMATION REGISTRATION



Fr. Vasile Aileni



(508) 320-0645



HOLY TRINITY WEEKLY NEWS

May 17th, 2026

“Appreciation can make a day, even change a life.” — Margaret Cousins

— ✨ HOLY TRINITY WEEK ✨ —

🌮 🎉 Cinco de Mayo Celebration! 🎉 🌵

Our residents and staff had a wonderful time celebrating Cinco de Mayo with festive decorations, upbeat music, delicious snacks, and plenty of smiles to go around! The day was filled with laughter, conversation, and community spirit as everyone came together to enjoy the celebration. Thank you to all who participated and helped make the event such a fun and memorable occasion for everyone!



STAY CONNECTED: Like our Facebook. 

CHURCH BUILDING & GROUNDS

Our church needs to:

- Purcess and install efficient light bulbs for inside and outside (parkinglot), the church
- Repair and install new carpet/tiles in the Holy Altar
- All donation and support is welcomed and really appreciated!

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Insulated the walls and the ceiling of the church;
- Repaired the AC on the roof top unit and the annually maintenance;
- Fixed the sink, a toilet and the light in the ladies' restroom.