

MARCH 11, 2018

ANNOUNCEMENTS - THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT (HOLY CROSS)

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Happy Birthday To

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| Zachary Perez | March 14 |
| Grace Reed | March 15 |
| Philip Salibi | March 15 |
| Harold Sakoda | March 17 |
| Patricia Calvelli | March 17 |

BAPTISM

Church family,

Please join us as we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for our son, Caleb Mathew Hofschneider. He will be baptized on March 25, following the Divine Liturgy. Please keep Caleb, his Godmother-to-be (Christina Saad), and our little family in your prayers! Ryan and Nicole Hofschneider

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

We are having soup suppers after the Divine Liturgies of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts on Wednesday nights, March 14 and 28, and Thursday night, March 22 during Lent. Kurt Zellerhoff is leading this ministry. If you would like to help in any way, please call or text Kurt at (925) 639-5465 or use <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60bo948adaf2fazo-lenten> to sign up online. The collections taken at the Soup Suppers go to our Camp St. Nicholas Scholarship fund which helps support kids who would like to attend one of our archdiocese summer camps.

SUMMER CAMP SCHOLARSHIPS

If you want to attend one of the archdiocese summer camps, please ask Fr. Nathan for assistance from our Camp St. Nicholas Scholarship Fund.

Donations to the Ss Peter & Paul Camp St. Nicholas Scholarship Fund as well as for the Ss Peter & Paul Summer Kids Camp (at our church) put on by a group of volunteer moms in our parish are always welcome.

Annual Summer Kids Camp
At Ss Peter & Paul
June 25-29

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that

feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most do not know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on May 4-6, 2018 call (831) 479-1260 or email Monterey@RetroCa.com or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.org.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATE CHANGE

The next Parish Council meeting will be this Tuesday, March 13, at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

BOOKSTORE SALE

Our church bookstore is having a sale on jeweled crosses. They are now 50% off. Stop by after the liturgy and see our many icons and books as well as fine jewelry.

COMMUNITY DINNER

HERE

Sunday, May 25

2:00 pm

All are welcome to enjoy a home-cooked meal and fellowship. To volunteer or donate, please call Sh. Karla Newberry at 423-8121.

FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE

Please take home a collection box for Food For Hungry People found in the Narthex. This is a good way to teach young ones about almsgiving, especially at this time of Lent.

WOMEN'S SPIRITUAL RETREAT AT ST TIMOTHY IN FAIRFIELD

If you weren't able to visit the Holy Assumption Monastery on March 10, you have another opportunity to learn from Mother Melania, the Abbess of the monastery. She will be at St. Timothy Orthodox Church in Fairfield on Saturday, March 24 from 9:00 am to approximately 3:00 pm. The cost is \$15 per person for a light breakfast and lunch. This retreat is for women aged 19 years and older and they will be considering how the Holy Trinity "reflects to

us who we are meant to be, as well as how we are meant to be—always in relationship to each other.”

CALENDAR MINISTRY

Deacon Anthony is now heading up this ministry. If you have anything you would like to add to the monthly calendar flyer, please contact the Church Office with a message for Deacon Anthony by the tenth of each month so that it can be reviewed for possible submission. The Church Office phone number is (831) 336-2228, and the email address is ChurchOffice@ssppaoc.org.

A NEW WAY TO TITHE

Online tithing is now available. You may set up automatic payments from your checking account or credit card for weekly or monthly payments. There is a link on our church website at ssppaoc.org as well as here: <https://ssppaoc.weshareonline.org/>.

Annual Parish Life Conference
Sponsored by the
Diocese of Los Angeles & Eagle River
July 4-8, 2018
Hosted by
St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, Portland,
OR

LENTEN RETREAT IN SAN FRANCISCO

On Sunday, March 25 the Tenth Annual Orthodox Lenten Retreat will be held at the Holy Virgin Russian Orthodox Cathedral at 6210 Geary Blvd. in San Francisco. The featured speakers will be Hieromonk Aleksii of Weatherby, Missouri at 10:30 am. and Bishop IRENEI of Sacramento at 1:30 pm. The theme of the retreat will be “Bringing the Church to the World”. For more information and to register, please either call (916) 225-4025 or go to www.wadiocese.com/lentenretreatsf.

TIME & TALENTS AND PLEDGE CARDS

Please fill out and return your Time & Talents/Pledge Cards to the Church Office mailbox in the Fellowship Hall. Alternatively, you may mail them in to the Church Office at P.O. Box 458, Ben Lomond, CA 95005.

CELEBRATE THE ANNUNCIATION

***With a Seafood Lunch
After Divine Liturgy on Sunday,
March 25
Bring a Lenten salad for your family
plus four to share. Oil/wine okay.***



By the Grace of God and through the
Apostolic Tradition
of the laying on of hands,
the servant of God

Nicholas Livingston

will be ordained by

***His Eminence Metropolitan
METHODIOS
of Boston***

to the Holy Diaconate on
Wednesday, March 7, 2018

St. George Chapel
St. Methodios Faith and Heritage Center
329 Camp Merrimac Road, Contoocook, NH 03229

and
to the Holy Priesthood on
Sunday, March 11, 2018

St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral
102 Russell Street, Worcester, MA 01609

Your presence and prayers are humbly requested

Please call the Church Office to RSVP for a Lenten Luncheon
Following Sunday Liturgy (508) 791-7326



FUNDRAISING

At <http://www.ssppaoc.org/fundraising.html>
you may find details on how to sign up and
contribute financially to our parish through your
everyday purchasing and on-line shopping
(Goodsearch, Goodshop, eScrip, AmazonSmile).

“The Lord wants us to love each other; this is the
essence of freedom—love for God and for your
neighbor. This is both freedom and equality.
But in earthly titles there can be no equality;
this is of no concern to the soul, however. Not
everyone can be a king or a prince; not everyone
can be a patriarch or an abbot, or a leader, but no
matter what your title you can love God and
serve Him, and that is all that matters. And
whoever loves God more on earth shall be in
greater glory in the Kingdom.” -- St. Silouan
of Mount Athos