



Birthdays This Week

April 15 - Fr. John Downing	April 19 - Bjorn Ihde
April 15 - Fr. Robert Polson	April 20 - Anastasia Jones
April 15 - Glenna Peyton	April 21 - Jerry Finkler
April 18 - Joseph May	April 21 - Kristine Lindblom
April 19 - Eric Truelson	

M A N Y Y E A R S !

St. John's Reading Group

Wednesday Readers: 10am to 11:30am in Reading Room.



3rd Sunday (4/15) - 'L' through 'R'

Hosting - Ben Labrecque & R & L Peters

4th Sunday (4/22) - No Coffee Hour (Haley/Gomanie Wedding)



Clare House Meal

Fourth Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of April our scheduled meal is **4/28**. – Sign up on the Downstairs Bulletin Board.

Saint John Orthodox Cathedral

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Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese • Pastor: Fr. Marc Dunaway

Assistant Priests: Fr. John Downing / Fr. Robert Polson

Fr. Thomas Frizelle / Fr. John Rogers

Schedule of Regular Services: Saturdays: Great Vespers-7:15pm

Sundays: Matins-9am/Divine Liturgy-10am

Wednesdays: Vespers 7:15pm / Thursdays: Divine Liturgy 8:15am (On School Days)

Wednesdays and Fridays 6th Hour Prayers – 12:30pm (On School Days)

Confession Times: Fr. Marc, Fr. Robert & Fr. Thomas after Great Vespers on Saturdays

St. John's Sunday Bulletin

*April 15, 2018 *Sunday of St. Thomas*

*Acts 5:12-20 *John 20:19-31*

Reader: Russell Clodfelter

Homily by: Fr. Thomas Frizelle

Wednesday Family Nights Resumes This Week

6:00pm - Dinner in the Church basement.

6:35pm – 8:00pm Classes for all ages

Atrium: “Catechesis of the Good Shepherd”

Ages 3-6 – Level One will be in the “Atrium” off the Nave.

Ages 6-9 – Level Two will be in the Cathedral basement.

Ages 9-12 – Level Three will be in the Cathedral.

Teen Youth Group – Teens (Jr. High and High School).

Adults – 6:45 at the St. James House: TBA

8:15pm - Vespers (or Other Prayer Service) at the Cathedral

Thursday Morning Liturgy at 8:15am

New Phone List Available in the Narthex

If you notice a mistake on the phone list – please contact the church office to let us know. Thanks! Also – Maris Kelly will be out of the church office for two weeks – 4/16-4/30.

Coffee Hour News

There is a new Alphabetical structure to the Coffee Hour: The OLD 1st week was A through E – the NEW 1st week is A through F. So if your last name begins with an F you will now bring snacks the 1st week. This will make things a little more even for each week. A-F: First Sunday, G-K: Second Sunday, L-R: Third Sunday, S-Z: Fourth Sunday. If there is a Fifth Sunday – Everyone (A-Z) bring snacks and helps clean up.)

And just to refresh what Coffee Hour is – Everyone in the Alphabetical Group should bring a dish to share and stick around to help clean up. There is an assigned Host Group each Sunday and they are responsible to make phone calls to their group and to set up for Coffee Hour. Hannah Johnson is currently in charge of Coffee Hour and if you have questions you can contact her. (The dots next to the names on the phone list are those that are available and can be called to bring snacks.)

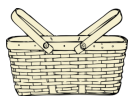
Save the Date: Saturday, May 12

Metropolitan Joseph's Visit

His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph will be at St. John's for Vespers on Friday evening, May 11, 7:15pm and for Divine Liturgy on Saturday Morning, May 12, 9:15am. Please make every effort to be here to welcome him and Father Fadi Rabbat who will be traveling with him. Note, His Eminence will **not** be with us on Sunday, but will be in Wasilla.

*Wedding of John Haley & Anjali Gomanie
April 22, 2018
four o'clock at St. John's
Potluck Reception Following*

Anjali & John kindly ask that those who come to their wedding next Sunday bring a side dish to share at the reception. You can bring bread, salads, and/or kid foods (pigs in blanket, pb&j sandwiches, apples slices). There are sign-up sheets in the church basement. Also they are asking everyone to chip in to help clean-up after the reception. Thank you for this help.



*Good Works Basket
Only Two Weeks Left*

Only Two Weeks Left to drop off your donation to the Eagle River Food Pantry through the Good Works Basket. Please pick up a list of "Most Needed Items" from the GWB table in the Narthex to have on hand while you do your shopping. Our efforts in support of the ER Food Pantry is making a difference in providing temporary emergency assistance to the neighbors in our community.

Liturgy Baby-sitting Available

Today: Victoria G. & Sloan M / Next week: Amara F. & Kailee M.

St. John's School News

SJOCS Seventh/Eighth Graders Looking for Jobs

It's that time of year again! The SJOCS 7/8th grade class is working to fundraise for our Spring Intensive trip. We are looking for jobs to earn money. We specialize in shoveling, sweeping, dump runs, hauling logs, and any other task you have—we are ready and wanting to work. Please contact Bethany Dunaway with your spring cleaning jobs! [907-406-1272](tel:907-406-1272).

*Local Community News
and Personal Notes*

Sign-Up for Visiting Fr. John Downing

Fr. John would love to have some visitors! He has a caregiver (Phil), 7 days a week from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, however, after Phil leaves there are a LOT of empty hours! If you have some time to visit between 2:00 PM & 7:30 PM that would really help Fr. John fill his lonely hours. You can chat, reminisce, read to him, watch an old shoot-em-up western or whatever – just spending time with him would really lift his spirits. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board downstairs. Please consider spending some time with Fr. John.
—Valorie Sparks

"One Accord"

Excerpts from Christian Writers Past and Present

Liturgy is not a rigid thing to be repeated unconsciously. It is an expression of the human need to talk to the Lord, and to thank Him for His grace. Liturgy is spirit and life running through the veins of the body of the Church, and nurturing all its members. It revives the Church, the community and the individuals with the grace that is bestowed upon it. Hence, we are here before a precious gem. We should polish it and reveal its glorious face, stressing the essence of the liturgical practice which leads the believer to grow in Christ. It is therefore important to resort to all tools that enable the people to reach the depth of this inspiring liturgy, that they may take from it that which will help them attain salvation and understanding of the mystery of God.

-- His Beatitude, Patriarch JOHN X

