



Birthdays This Week

April 14 - John Marc Dunaway April 19 - Bjorn Ihde
 April 15 - Fr. John Downing April 20 - Anastasia Jones
 April 15 - Fr. Robert Polson April 21 - Jerry Finkler
 April 15 - Glenna Peyton April 21 - Kristine Lindblom

M A N Y Y E A R S !

St. John's Reading Group

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



2nd Sunday (4/14) - 'G' through 'K'
 Hosting - Bruce & Monica Johnson & Dan & Amy Jenkins
 3rd Sunday (4/21) - 'L' through 'R'
 Hosting - Dn. Pat & Jane Lamb & Bryan & Anna Potts



Clare House Meal Fourth Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of APRIL our scheduled meal is 4/27. – Sign up on the Downstairs Bulletin Board.

Saint John Orthodox Cathedral

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 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 14, 2019 * Fifth Sunday of Great Lent
St. Mary of Egypt*

*Hebrews 9:11-14 * Mark 10:32-45 * Tone 5*

Reader: Russell Clodfelter

Homily by: Fr. Robert Polson

Sixth Week of Lent

Monday – Great Compline 7:15pm

Tuesday – Clergy Meeting 7:15pm

Wednesday – 6th Hour Prayers 12:30pm / Presanctified Liturgy 6:15pm, Soup Supper

Friday – 6th Hour Prayers 12:30pm / Compline and Canon for St. Lazarus 7:15pm

Saturday – Lazarus Saturday Divine Liturgy of St. John 9:15am with Infant Baptisms/
Great Vespers 7:15pm

Last Soup Supper for this Lenten Season

Funds will go to:

Shared Acts of Mercy/FOCUS

(Fellowship of Orthodox Christians United to Serve)

As was done last year, The Sisters of Mary and Martha will be using the funds from our last soup supper to contribute to the 2018-19 Shared Acts of Mercy. This year, our efforts will go towards FOCUS's "Education Support for School Children". The letter from the Diocese about this, as well as a pamphlet explaining the mission of FOCUS is on the downstairs bulletin board and we will have copies at the last soup supper as well. **Please consider making a donation in addition to the cost of your soup to support this worthy cause!** If you have any questions, contact Jen Medders. (medders5@hotmail.com or 744-5792) Thank you!

Lazarus Saturday – April 20 – Baptisms

Friday, April 19 - Compline and Canon for St. Lazarus – 7:15pm

Sat, April 20 – Divine Liturgy of St. John with Infant Baptisms– 9:15am

Pussy Willows for Palm Sunday

Bring them if NOT in Bloom

It is a custom among Orthodox Churches in the northern regions to bless pussy willows along with the palms on Palm Sunday. This custom has also been observed at St. John's, and each year willows have been gathered locally by various families in our parish. If your family wants to collect some willows this week for this Feast Day, please cut them about two feet long, tie them in bundles with a note giving the approximate number and place them in the closet just inside the Cathedral basement door. Usually we try to gather about 300.

Holy Week Schedules on Website and in Narthex

No Sunday Bulletin on Pascha

If you have an announcement you would like in the Bulletin before Pascha – Palm Sunday is your last chance. Otherwise – the next Bulletin will be the Sunday after Pascha.

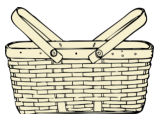
Easter Feast News

We look forward to Holy Week and its special service and also our celebration together on Pascha afternoon. Our Easter Feast is an important tradition of our parish and requires the efforts of many people. Please note the following:

Sign-up sheets for what you can bring to contribute to the Feast are in the Church basement today. Please look at these and sign-up to bring something or to help with a certain task.

The Cathedral will supply all the meat and drinks along with prizes for the children and the Bouncy Room. We ask each family as they are able to contribute to the cost of these: \$8 per adult and \$5 for ages 4-9. Please make your check to St. John's or pay online under "Easter Feast." Thank you.

IMPORTANT: Please remember that this Feast is part of our parish family's Paschal celebration after the long journey of Lent and Holy Week. So please do not make an open invitation to family and friends who have not made this journey with us, unless you feel it is spiritually important for them. - Fr. Marc



Good Works Basket - Family Disability Services We will now continue this "Drive" through April

Family Disability Services (a Catholic Social Services program) was established in 1981 to provide needed assistance for both children and adults with developmental disabilities, as well as a support system for their families. Trained providers work with people in their homes or out in the community.

Saint John's can help support this very important work by providing the program with some of the basics they are currently in need of. When donating from the list below, please remember that items should be new or gently used. These items will not only support those in need but also empower them.

Wedding Photo Wall

We would like to have a few more wedding photos up. This is the first request for this year. There is no deadline to get your glossy 8x10 on the Wedding Wall. Just do it ASAP. Please include your full name (including middle name and maiden name for the bride) as well as date and place of marriage. Please place them in Anna Haley's file folder in Bethany Hall by the kitchen entry.

Fund Raiser for St. John's School 7/8 Grade Intensive Trip

It's that time of year again! SJOCS 7/8 grade 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.

Annual Women's Retreat Information and Registration Forms Available (turn in before Pascha)

May 17 & 18

Hello ladies of St John's! Our Annual Women's Retreat is coming up soon after Pascha. This year's retreat theme is Growing with God, very fitting for Springtime! The retreat will be held at Birchwood Camp on May 17 & May 18. There are schedules and registration forms available in the Narthex under the bulletin board. The camp needs to have a head count by May 3, so please turn in your registrations before Pascha to Rachel Arnold. A few copies of the camp's "guest guidelines" will be read only FYI style, please leave them on the table to share.

Local Community News and Personal Notes

RE: Morrison's Yard Sale

Today, Sunday afternoon April 14: if there are items you need for your home/want, please come by and pick out what you need. We are donating anything left from our yard sales this week. Lesa and John

Tear Off Here & Place in Tithe Box

HELP KEEP THE CHURCH UPDATED with YOUR INFO

**Do you have any changes: Phone numbers, address, email address etc.
Please make the changes on this slip of paper, tear off and put in the tithe box.**

Name & Changes: _____

Or just email the church office at stjohnalaska@aol.com to get on the list or to update your information.