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Stephen Kelsey - Church School

Sunday, Aug 2, **8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 7.** Translation of the Relics of the Protomartyr and Archdeacon Stephen from Jerusalem to Constantinople (ca. 428), and finding of the Relics of the Righteous Nicodemus, Gamaliel, and Abibas. Blessed Basil of Moscow, Fool-for-Christ (1552).

Epistle:

Gospel:

I Cor. 1:10-18

Matt. 14:14-22

Tuesday, Aug 4, Holy Seven Youths ("Seven Sleepers") of Ephesus

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm

Soup and Bread Reading Group, *St. Seraphim of Sarov*, 6:30 pm

Wednesday, Aug 5, Forefeast of the Transfiguration

Great Vespers with Litya for Transfiguration, 7:00 pm

(followed by the **Blessing of Fruit**)

Thursday, Aug 6, **THE HOLY TRANSFIGURATION OF**

OUR LORD GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

Festal Divine Liturgy, 9:00 am

(followed by the **Blessing of Fruit**)

Saturday, Aug 8

Great Vespers for the Resurrection, 6 pm

Sunday, Aug 9, **9th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - Tone 8. Afterfeast of the Transfiguration.** Apostle Matthais (ca. 63). **Glorification of St. Herman of Alaska, Wonderworker of All America (1970).**

Sixth Hour, 8:50 am

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, **9 am**

Epistle:

Gospel:

1 Cor. 3:9-17

Matt. 14:22-34

Gal. 5:22-6:2 (St. Herman)

Luke 6:17-23 (St. Herman)

THANKS TO ALL FOR ORGANIZING AND ATTENDING "THE MORE MATURE PARTY III"

The More Mature Party III (for our most mature parishioners and friends) was held last Wednesday and was a huge success (again!). Special thanks to Donna and Oleg Pohotsky for hosting the party. Also, thanks go to all the others who helped with food, serving, setting up and taking down, and transporting, and of course all who attended. It was very good to be together. Glory to Jesus Christ!

THE DORMITION FAST/CONFESSION AND COMMUNION

We are now in the Dormition Fast, and all are urged to keep the fast as you are able. This includes not only abstaining from certain foods, but also increasing your prayers, reading, and spiritual attention. Since the fast periods are good reminders for confession, regular communicants should consider whether it's desirable to engage in the Sacrament of (private) Confession.

SUMMER BOOK STUDY - ST. SERAPHIM OF SAROV

The next meeting of our summer reading group on the book, *St. Seraphim of Sarov*, by Valentine Zander, will take place following Daily Vespers this Tuesday, Aug 4. The reading group and discussion is informal. There is something for everyone - it's not necessary to have attended earlier session in order to benefit from the discussion. The next session will consider Chapters 3 and 4 of the book.

FR. JOHN TEAGUE WILL CELEBRATE LITURGY NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, please welcome again our friend, Fr. John Teague. Fr. John will serve the Liturgy while Fr. Mark is away on a Missions' Dean visitation with His Grace Nikon to St. Jacob Mission in Vermont.

LOOKING AHEAD

Aug 15	Saturday	Feast of the Holy Dormition of Our Most Holy Lady The Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary - End of Fast
Sep 1	Tuesday	Beginning of the Church Year
Sep 8	Tuesday	Feast of the Nativity of The Theotokos
Sep 28	Sunday	Annual Memorial Panikhida by the Bell (followed by a coffee-hour luncheon)