

## ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ORTHODOX CHURCH

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### September 27, 2020

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost - *Tomos 2*  
Martyr Callistratus; Apostles Mark,  
Aristarchus & Zenas of the 70.

- 9:10 am - Hours
- 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy  
2 Cor. 6:1-10  
Luke. 5:1-11

### Schedule of Services

#### Tuesday, September 29

- 7:00 pm - Akathist to Saint John,  
Forerunner and Baptist of the Lord.

#### Wednesday, September 30

- 5:00pm - Great Vesper with Litiya

#### Thursday, October 1

Protection of the Most  
Holy Theotokos

- 9:10 am - Hours
- 9:30 am - Divine Liturgy

#### Friday, October 2

- 7:00 pm - Moleben to the Most  
Holy Theotokos:

#### Saturday, October 3

- 5:00 pm - Great Vesper.

#### Sunday, October 4

- 9:10 - Hours
- 9:30 - Divine Liturgy

### WEEKLY BIBLE MESSAG

A man was asked to paint a boat. He brought his paint and brushes and began to paint the boat a bright red, as the owner asked him.

While painting, he noticed a small hole in the hull, and quietly repaired it.

When he finished painting, he received his money and left.

The next day, the owner of the boat came to the painter and presented him with a nice check, much higher than the payment for painting.

The painter was surprised and said "You've already paid me for painting the boat Sir!"

"But this is not for the paint job. It's for repairing the hole in the boat."

"Ah! But it was such a small service... certainly it's not worth paying me such a high amount for something so insignificant."

"My dear friend, you do not understand. Let me tell you what happened:

"When I asked you to paint the boat, I forgot to mention the hole.

"When the boat dried, my kids took the boat and went on a fishing trip.

"They did not know that there was a hole. I was not at home at that time.

"When I returned and noticed they had taken the boat, I was desperate because I remembered that the boat had a hole.

"Imagine my relief and joy when I saw them returning from fishing.

"Then, I examined the boat and found that you had repaired the hole!

"You see, now, what you did? You saved the life of my children! I do not have enough money to pay your 'small' good deed."

So no matter who, when or how, continue to help, sustain, wipe tears, listen attentively, and carefully repair all the 'leaks' you find. You never know when one is in need of us, or when God holds a pleasant surprise for us to be helpful and important to someone.

Along the way, you may have repaired numerous 'boat holes' for several people without realizing how many lives you've save.



### Intercessory Prayers

We pray for all our fellow parishioners, and we pray especially for those who are incapable of being with us in church. Please keep in your prayers our Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Genevieve Bobenko, Barbara Bogart, Michael Bzik, Mary Ann Dolak, Dorothy Fabian, Barbara Kary, Margaret Kovalycsik, Kathleen Lazarczyk, Dennis Maixner, Marian Nagel, MaryAnn Rabakozi, Helen Rahnefeld, Anna Rozanovich, Maryann Stagen, Eva Stashitsky, Patricia Galley.

### Birthday Greeting

Happy Birthday go out this week to Jennifer Bzik – 28; Joanne Bzik – 30, and Janice Pecoraro – 30. May God continue to enrich them life with the fullness of joy and happiness for many years – Mnogaya Lyeta!

### Our Parish Life

♦ A SITE TO SEE. Take a look at [www.ocmc.org](http://www.ocmc.org) and see all of the good being done by the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) in answering the call to bring the Gospel to all nation.

♦ FOR YOUR INFO. A moving and inspirational video showing the beauty of Orthodoxy can be seen on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com). It is called *The Orthodox Church - A Visual Journey*. Take a look!

♦ INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES (IOCC) provides assistance solely on the basis need to the victims of poverty, war and natural disasters – orphans, refugees, people with learning disabilities and the elderly. Gifts are used to meet emergency wants such as food and shelter, as well as long-term projects that provide education, job training and disease prevention. During these trying economic times, your financial assistance is needed more than ever to allow this worthy charity to continue to provide essential services so that those who've lost everything can begin to rebuild their lives. Respond today to the call of Jesus Christ to minister to those who are suffering and in need throughout the world and send a contribution to IOCC, PO Box630255, Baltimore, MD 21263. Know that every dollar you give helps IOCC secure, on average, almost \$7 in support from governments, foundations, ecumenical organizations and other funding sources. God bless- your assistance has never provided more hope.

