

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **From Prs. Linda** Book Discussion on Wednesday, May 17th
2. **Prosfora - May baker:** Kelsey Friesen
3. **Youth Event:** Friday, May 26th - Progressive Supper, 6:00-10:00 pm. Please let Rachel Machnee know if you would be willing to host the youth for their Progressive Supper event.

Appetizers 6:00 - 6:45

Soup or Salad 7:00 - 7:45

Main Course 8:00 - 8:45

Dessert 9:00 - 9:45

4. **From Lois**

THANK YOU for your generosity in various ways throughout Lent and beyond.

Together with some of our other FOCUS members, we made 36 relief kits to donate to MCC. Holy Resurrection and All Saints churches participated with us.

We also donated \$117.00 in a cash collection to a suggestion made by young Katy (who comes with Bruce and Adelle) to a Lenten School Project to help support Haiti. She, and her school were thrilled!

Additional money was collected for St. John Compassionate Mission although I do not yet have an exact number from Debra.

And last Sunday, in spite of lower attendance, we collected approximately \$1,500.00!! to send to the Russian family whom I emailed you about last week. Nadya, (Alexi's mother), and Alexi and Anna wish to express their gratitude for such an incredible donation! This will help this family for quite a few months. They will be sending it in \$500.00 increments over the next months. This donation was NOT topped up from the St. Nicholas fund but was loving donations from you, the faithful members of our parish! May God Bless you all.

- 5 Please hand in your Lenten Alms' boxes in the next couple of weeks if you haven't handed them in yet.
6. **From Tony Machnee**
Based on the responses of everyone, we have decided to change the date of the cleaning day to **Saturday May 20th** as more people will be available to come that day.
We will plan to work from **10 am to 12 noon**. Pizza will be served for lunch. Bring gloves for working outside if you need. Thank you!
7. **Please remember to send your announcements to the church's email address stvincentorthch@sasktel.net , for the weekly bulletins - by **Wednesdays**; and for the next months' calendars - by the Wednesday before the last Sunday of each month.**
8. Please keep Vicki Fernets, Matthew Dombowsky, Darlene & George Walker, Ephrem Shewchuk, Miriam Ibrahim, Neoma Burletoff, Lorne Kennedy, Michael and Rose Kerelchuk, George & Mary Thiessen, Crystal Thiessen, and others whom you don't see at worship very often, in your prayers. They are all dealing with one kind or another of illness or injury and need our attention, thoughts, and prayers. Phone calls and visits would be great as well.



LOOKING AHEAD

- ❖ We will be celebrating the **Feast of Ascension on May 25th** with Orthros and Divine Liturgy at 9 and 10 am, preceded by Great Vespers the evening before at 6 pm with Litya and Artoklasia and video teaching.
- ❖ There will be the usual **blessing of Graves** this year on **May 23rd at 5 pm in the Woodlawn Cemetery**. If you have not participated in this part of our Liturgical life, you are encouraged to come and pray with those faithful who have deceased loved ones in the cemetery.

- ❖ The leave-taking (Apodosis) of Pascha is on May 24th.
- ❖ **Sunday - May 28th, 3:00 - 8:00 pm, Saint Vincent Annual Banquet**
This year our annual banquet will be held outside at the Forestry Farm Gazebo. There will be bouncy castles, jumbo bumper balls, games, face painting, fellowship and of course, food! This will be a free event but I do need to know how many people are coming. Please **RSVP** to Rachel Machnee **ASAP!** Guests and friends are welcome!
- ❖ **Sask. Orthodox Women's Retreat May 26 - 28, 2017**
Theme of the retreat is "*Prayer and Stillness of the Heart*".
The guest speaker is Mother Gabriella, abbess of Holy Dormition Orthodox Monastery in Rives Junction, Michigan.
Location the Queen's House of Retreats.
Registration cost for 2 nights and meals is still \$200.00! (Registration form is sent separately by email) To promote the attendance of our young women, we are offering a Mother / Daughter special, where a full price registration will qualify for a 1/2 price registration for your family member (Godparent / Godchildren included).
As a pastoral matter, if you would like to attend the retreat and are unable to for financial reasons, please speak with Fr. Bernard.
For further information about the retreat, please speak to Aggie Friesen or Brenda Bray. Hope to see you there!



PASTORAL TEACHINGS, INFORMATION, DIRECTIVES, NOTES & SAYINGS

Fr. Bernard and Presvytera Linda had a wonderful time away from the Parish for two weeks, visiting St. Paisius Monastery near Saffort - Arizona, and St. Anthony's monastery near Florence - Arizona.

They were also able to concelebrate weekend Divine Liturgies at Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church in Tucson Arizona, and St. Ignatius Orthodox Church in Mesa Arizona, as well as visiting Fr. Bernard's sister and brother in law in Phoenix. Thank you to Fr. Florin for taking care of the services while Fr. Bernard was away.



2017 Diocesan Parish Life Conference

This year's Diocesan Parish Life Conference is hosted by St. Michael Church of Van Nuys, California who invites you and your family to Los Angeles, **July 5 - 9, 2017.**

Rooms are available at the group rate of \$139 per night at the Los Angeles Airport (LAX) Marriott.

For more information visit the Conference website at: www.lapl.org where you can make your hotel reservation, register for events, plan for your Souvenir Journal ad, and view the Conference Schedule.

Should you have any questions, please e-mail us at:
laplc@antiochianevents.com



CAMP SAINT INNOCENT (CSI)

This is the camp blessed by our Metropolitan and thus the camp that we will support, as a church, through the form of an \$85 subsidy/child to help offset the camp registration fee of \$385. Parents, you must inform Father Bernard that your child is being registered for this camp to receive the subsidy. There are other subsidies that also could be applied for that have been sent out by email previously. Camper registration forms have been emailed out to previous campers and will be posted on the bulletin board for any families who want to register their child(ren).

