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Good Morning and Welcome!

October 27, 2024

Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica



Sunday, October 27th 9:00 a.m. [Divine Liturgy \(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)

Wednesday, October 30th 6:00 p.m. [Daily Vespers/Adult Education \(Virtual Only – Click for Zoom Link\)](#)

Saturday, November 2nd 5:00 p.m. [Vespers\(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)

Sunday, November 3rd 9:00 a.m. [Divine Liturgy \(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)](#)

Welcome

*Welcome to all those visiting All Saints today!
Please join us downstairs for Fellowship after Liturgy!*

Happy Birthday

Greg Belekewicz – October 27th

Dave Vargas – October 27th

Peter Gianopoulos – October 29th

All Saints Website Updates

The following updates were made to the All Saints Website:

Created Church Event tab – advertising the upcoming Advent Retreat. (See flyer below)

Created Weekly Bulletin tab (located within the About Us tab) – which now contains a link to our weekly bulletins

Adult Education

Wednesday Vespers/Adult Education will meet this Wednesday, October 30th – at which time we will be discussing Chapter 9 of *Orthodox Feasts of Jesus Christ and the Virgin Mary* by Hugh Wybrew.

Theology Café

The next gathering of the Theology Café will be November 12th - all are welcome, bring a friend! 7:30 PM at 107 Elizabeth St., Hartford CT. Please RSVP to Amy Hayashida by November 10th. (937-631-5989).

Parish Council

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Tuesday, November 19th beginning at 6:00 p.m. - Zoom meeting.

Words from Father Constantine

Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica

The holy Martyr Nestor was very young in age, handsome in appearance, and he was known to the holy Great Martyr Demetrios (October 26), for he had instructed Nestor in the faith. The Emperor was visiting Thessaloniki, and he built a high platform in the midst of the city so that a gigantic barbarian named Lyaaios could wrestle there and be seen by everyone. Beneath the platform many spears and other sharp weapons were placed pointing upward. When Lyaaios defeated his opponents, he threw them down onto the spears and they died. Many Christians were forced to fight Lyaaios, and were killed. When Nestor saw how Emperor Maximian rejoiced over the victories of his champion, he disdained his pride. Seeing the miracles of Saint Demetrios, however, he took courage and went to the prison where the holy Martyr was confined, and fell at his feet.

The Saint, after sealing Nestor with the Sign of the Cross, told him that he would prevail over Lyaaios, and then suffer for Christ. Nestor mounted the platform without fear and exclaimed: “Help me, O God of Demetrios.” After he defeated Lyaaios, he hurled him down onto the spears, where he gave up his wretched soul. Maximian became enraged and ordered that both Nestor and Demetrios should be put to death. Saint Demetrios was stabbed with spears, and Saint Nestor was beheaded. Thus, by his example Saint Nestor teaches us that in every human challenge we must say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do to me.” (Psalm 117/118:6, Hebrews 13:6).

Fellowship Hour Sign-Up

Hosts and Hostesses needed for Fellowship Hours – please see the clipboard/sign-up sheet at the coffee window – please sign up for a Sunday or two that are convenient for you! Any questions, *please see Monica Kapral. Thank you!*

Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

*Fannie Garemko – 10/28/77; Vera Worobey – 10/29/85; Andrew Komarinetz – 10/30/77; Rose Matus – 10/30/90;
Peter Mattus – 11/1/98*

Commemorations

Living:

Priest David, Priest Justin, Presbytera Christina, Sarah, Margaret, Peter, Bridget, Elaine, Larry, Roger, Ann Marie, Joan, Joseph, Mariam, Denisse, Matthias, Dawn, Heloise, Alphage, Odilia, Kurt, Linda, Nicholas, Dan, Ron, Mike

Departed:

Vladimir, Donald, Joseph, Isabelle, Robert, Glenn

Troparion/Kontakion

Troparion — Tone 5

(Podoben: "O coeternal Word...")

As a friend and companion of Saint Demetrios, / you were an invincible athlete of godliness and contended bravely, O blessed Nestor. / By divine help, you defeated Lyaïos, / and by being slain you became a holy sacrifice to our God.

Kontakion — Tone 2

(Podoben: "You sought the heights...")

You contested well, therefore you obtained immortal renown, O wise Nestor, / and you became an excellent soldier of the Master Christ, by the prayers of the Martyr Demetrios. / Therefore, with him, pray unceasingly for all of us.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

<https://www.oca.org/readings/daily/2024/10/27/2>

Gospel according to Luke 8:26-39

<https://www.oca.org/readings/daily/2024/10/27/3>

Outreach Opportunites

Coats for CT

We will be *collecting new and slightly used coats* for donation to *Coats for CT* through Best Cleaners. If you have a new or slightly used coat(s) that you would like to donate, please bring them to the box located in the Church Hall, Donation Corner. If you have any questions, please contact *Mary Beth Stenko*, who is coordinating this effort. *Thank you!*

Foodshare

There is a basket for donations of nonperishable food items for Foodshare in the "Donations Corner" in the Church Hall – NEW LOCATION! We are also in need of brown bags with handles. Also, please avoid food items in glass containers. *Please remember to thank God for your blessings by helping those in need. God Bless and Thank you!*

Reminder - Feed a Friend – Sunday – November 10th

Please put your lunches into refrigerator in the Church Hall (Thank You!)

Help the poor, the hungry, the homeless, and the victims of domestic abuse here in the Greater Hartford region by giving them something that's hard to come by: A Free Lunch! We'll deliver bagged lunches to Loaves and Fishes in Hartford, beginning today and every second Sunday of each month, who has numerous men, women, and children, who will appreciate the food you provide and the love that you show in making it. This is a great opportunity to get your kids to help and discuss with them the words of Christ: "When I was hungry, you fed me...."

To participate - Make & bring a brown-bag lunch to Church which includes all of the following:

- 1) Sandwich,
- 2) Piece of Fruit
- 3) Bag of Chips/pretzels
- 4) Canned/Bottled Drink &
- 5) Desert (pudding, cookie, etc.)

Important Note: For the purpose of uniformity, please include all/only the items above.

Also PLEASE write type of sandwich (and the presence of any allergens) on bag.

Advent Retreat – “Through The Cross, Joy”

All Saints Orthodox Church
205 Scarborough St, Hartford CT

Saturday November 23, 2024 10AM – 4PM

Dr. John Barnet



John Barnet is Associate Professor of New Testament at the seminary, where he teaches courses in New Testament and biblical Greek. He completed his doctoral studies at Duke University under the direction of Professor Dan O. Via.

Our Advent Retreat begins at 10AM and will conclude at 4PM with Vespers. A light breakfast with coffee will be provided at 9AM and lunch is included. A Twenty (\$20) dollar donation is suggested. To register please go to:



<https://allsaintshartford.org/church-events/>

Please see Walter Alesevich with any questions or your donations! Thank you!

Donations Due by November 30th. Thank you!

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ST. NICHOLAS WISH LIST PROGRAM

For over 24 years the FOCA has gathered wish lists from married students at St. Tikhon's and St. Vladimir's Seminaries (gift card donations are sent to St. Herman's of Alaska). These lists are filled by parishes, chapters, or individuals from around the country. In those 24 years, we have fulfilled the wishes of over 1,000 seminarian families and have donated over \$120,000 to the married seminarians families at St. Herman's seminary.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Parish/Chapter

- Hold a fundraiser to purchase items on the list
- Make a paper tree and place ornaments of the wanted items for parishioners to take, they purchase and return items by a given date
- Hold a gift card collection - ask for donations from the list below

OBTAIN A LIST by emailing michaelsteffaro@comcast.net

Monetary donations should be made payable to the FOCA
Gift card donations should be sent to Allison Steffaro ASAP

Send either to Allison Steffaro, 38 Beryl St. South River, NJ 08882

All wish list items **MUST BE
DELIVERED TO THE SEMINARY BY
DECEMBER 3rd**

***If you live in the New Jersey area you
can drop them off at the Steffaro home
by December 4th***

Gift Cards Needed:

- Amazon
- Target
- Walmart
- Khols
- Barnes and Noble

Please Note

Any photos taken at Church events may be used on the Church website or Facebook page. If you have any questions on this, please see or contact Father Constantine. <https://www.oca.org/files/PDF/official/2018-1024-socialmediaguidelines-clergy-lay-leaders.pdf>

Have a Blessed Week!