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Afterfeast of the Dormition of the Mother of God



Sunday, August 16th	9:00 a.m. <u>Divine Liturgy(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</u> <i>Patterson Baby Shower – During Fellowship Hour</i>
Wednesday, August 19th	No Vespers/Adult Education – Yard Goats Baseball Game
Saturday, August 22nd	5:00 p.m. <i>Vespers</i>
Sunday, August 23rd	9:00 a.m. <u>Divine Liturgy(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</u>

Welcome

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

Thank You

Thank you to all those that brought in lunches last Sunday – 152 lunches were delivered to Loaves and Fishes on Monday. Thank you to Gail, Tom and Walter Alesevich for delivering the lunches!

Liturgical Participation

At the request of Fr Constantine and the Church Council we strongly urge all in attendance to remain in the Church through the time of the post-communion prayers before going down to coffee hour or setting up for coffee hour. The time we have together at coffee hour is very important, but our reason for gathering is spiritual and centered around the eucharist.

Fr Constantine

Adult Education

Please note - NO Adult Education this Wednesday, August 19th.



Yard Goats Baseball Game – Reminders

Game is this Wednesday – August 19th

Game Starts at 7:10 p.m.; Gates open at 6:00 pm.

Please check Yard Goats website for parking information

MaryBeth will see all those going on Sunday to get or confirm email –
in order to send you electronic ticket(s)

If you have not done so, please plan to pay Mary Beth for your ticket(s) – cash or check payable to ASOC
by this coming Sunday; \$15 per ticket

Thank you! See you at the Ball Park!

Name Tag Sunday – October 4th

Get to know your brothers and sisters! Next Name Tag Sunday, October 4th and the first Sunday of every other month going forward, we will be asking everyone to wear a Name Tag, so that we can get to know one another better. Name tags and markers will be available as you enter church.

Help Needed – Church Cleaning

*All Saints Church does not have the luxury of a full-time, or even part-time, janitor to keep up with the general cleaning that needs to occur each month. To keep our Church clean and safe, we are asking for help on a rotating basis with cleaning tasks such as mopping floors, cleaning bathrooms, vacuuming and dusting and sweeping as needed. We ask that each family or group of two or three individuals, sign up for a month to come into the church and complete these tasks. The sign-up sheet is on the table in the auditorium. Please see Greg Belekewicz (860) 268-6554 with any questions. *Thank you!**

Theology Café

The next gathering of the Theology Café will be September 8th - all are welcome, bring a friend - 7:30 PM at 107 Elizabeth St., Hartford CT. *Please RSVP to Amy Hayashida. Thank you!*

Parish Council Meeting

Next *Parish Council Meeting* will be September 15th at 6:30 p.m. in person at All Saints.

Commemorations

Living:

Roger, Sandie, Lisa, Susan, Mark, Carissa, Mary, Benjamin, Jeannie

Departed:

Vera, Paul, Joseph, Margaret, Mikey, Theresa, Guy, Thomas, Richard

Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

*Alexis Budnick – 8/17/73; Delia Levitsky – 8/19/89; John Churson – 8/20/83; Ann Miller – 8/21/96;
Helen Busel – 8/21/97; APT Ilja Adamov – 8/22/86; Vera Kosloff – 8/22/97; Eva Formeister – 8/22/12*

Troparion/Kontakion

Troparion — Tone 1

In giving birth you preserved your virginity, / in falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos. / You were translated to life, O Mother of Life, / and by your prayers, you deliver our souls from death.

Kontakion — Tone 2

Neither the tomb, nor death could hold the Theotokos, / who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions. / For being the Mother of Life, / she was translated to life by the One who dwelt in her virginal womb.

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12

If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. My defense to those who examine me is this: Do we have no right to eat and drink? Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as do also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working? Who ever goes to war at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk of the flock? Do I say these things as a mere man? Or does not the law say the same also? For it is written in the law of Moses, “You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain.” Is it oxen God is concerned about? Or does He say it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written, that he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should be partaker of his hope. If we have sown spiritual things for you, is it a great thing if we reap your material things? If others are partakers of this right over you, are we not even more? Nevertheless we have not used this right, but endure all things lest we hinder the gospel of Christ.

Gospel according to Matthew 18:23-35

Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, ‘Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, ‘Pay me what you owe!’ So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?’ And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses.”

Translation of the Image “Not-Made-By-Hands” of our Lord Jesus Christ from Edessa to Constantinople, the Third “Feast of the Savior in August”

The Transfer of the Icon of our Lord Jesus Christ Not-Made-by-Hands from Edessa to Constantinople occurred in the year 944. Eusebius, in his History of the Church (I:13), relates that when the Savior was preaching, Abgar was the ruler of Edessa. He was stricken with leprosy all over his body. Reports of the great miracles performed by the Lord spread throughout Syria (Mt.4:24) and even reached Abgar. Without having seen the Savior, Abgar believed in Him as the Son of God. He wrote a letter requesting Him to come and heal him. He sent his own portrait painter Ananias to Palestine with this letter, and commissioned him to paint a likeness of the Divine Teacher.

Ananias arrived in Jerusalem and saw the Lord surrounded by many people. He was not able to get close to Him because of the large crowd which had gathered to hear the Savior. Then he stood on a high rock and tried to paint Christ's portrait from afar, but this attempt did not succeed. Then the Savior saw him, called him by name, and gave him a short letter for Abgar in which He praised the ruler's faith. He also promised to send His disciple to heal him of his leprosy and guide him to salvation.

Then the Lord asked for some water and a cloth to be brought to Him. After washing His Face, He dried it with the cloth, and His Divine countenance was imprinted upon it. Ananias brought the cloth and the Savior's letter to Edessa. Reverently, Abgar pressed the holy object to his face and received partial healing. Only a small trace of the terrible affliction remained until the arrival of the disciple promised by the Lord. This was Saint Thaddeus, an Apostle of the Seventy (August 21), who preached the Gospel and baptized Abgar and all the people of Edessa. Abgar attached the Holy Napkin to a board and placed it in a gold frame adorned with pearls. Then he placed it in a niche above the city gates. On the gateway over the Icon he inscribed the words, “O Christ God, let no one who hopes on Thee be put to shame.”

Outreach Opportunitites

Foodshare

There is a basket for donations of nonperishable food items for Foodshare in the “Donations Corner” in the Church Hall! 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!*

Feed a Friend – Sunday – September 13, 2026

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, 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.*



For more than 200 years, The Village has been dedicated to building a community of strong, healthy families who protect and nurture children.

CALL TO ACTION: *The Village, our neighbor on Albany Avenue, is in need of Personal Hygiene Items! Are you looking to make a difference in our community? We are looking for donations of the following items:*

COLLECTION EXTENDED

Feminine Hygiene Products – both tampons and pads

Soap – Bars and Pump

Shampoo – any and all brands and sizes

Deodorant – men/women – any and all brands

Toothpaste – any and all brands and sizes

Toothbrushes – Individually wrapped – not generic lots

Shaving Cream – any and all brands and sizes

Please leave your donations in the marked boxes on the “Donation Table” in the Church Hall. We will be collecting, until August 30th. Thank you for your donations!

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/2026-0506-socialmediaguidelines-clergy-lay-leaders.pdf> (Updated April 28, 2026)