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October 11, 2026

Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council



Sunday, October 11th	9:00 a.m. <u>Divine Liturgy(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</u> Feed a Friend
Wednesday, October 14th	NO Vespers/Adult Education
Saturday, October 17th	5:00 p.m. Vespers
Sunday, October 18th	9:00 a.m. <u>Divine Liturgy/Vespers(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link)</u>

Welcome

Welcome to Father David Koles, who will be serving Liturgy today while Father Constantine is on vacation.
Welcome to all those visiting All Saints! Please join us for Fellowship after Liturgy!

Father Constantine Away

Father Constantine is on vacation until Wednesday, October 14th. If you have a pastoral emergency during this time period, please contact Amy Hayashida – 937-631-5989. Thank you.

Happy Birthday

Nadia Galchevskaya – October 13th
Elisaveta Field – October 13th
Svetlana Ikonnikova – October 17th

Happy Anniversary

Tom and Gail Denisky – October 13th

All Saints Annual Parish Meeting

All Saints is moving it's Annual Parish Meeting from January/February to October to align with the church year which begins on September 1st. **Our next Annual Parish Meeting will be October 25th** during fellowship hour. Please make an effort to attend the annual meeting; we need as many voting members there as possible. Any members who were eligible to vote at the annual meeting in the beginning of 2026 will also be eligible to vote in October.

Panikhidas

In the manner of honoring the fact that Sunday is day of the Resurrection, I plan to provide Panikhida services on Saturdays prior to Vespers (possibly 3:30 pm). Anyone wishing to bring a meal for their departed loved ones can still do so on a Sunday. Please understand that it is not my intention of entirely eliminating a Panikhida on Sunday. For example, if on a particular Sunday falls nearest to the 40-day marker of your loved one's repose or if one desires the service on a Sunday you may still do so. *If you have any comments or concerns, please contact Fr. Constantine.*

Adult Education

Please note that *Adult Education* will not meet while Father is away. *Our next meeting will be Wednesday, October 21st.*

Name Tag Sunday

Get to know your brothers and sisters! Next Name Tag Sunday, December 6th 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.

Theology Café

The next gathering of the **Theology Café will be October 13th** - 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 **October 15th** at 6:30 p.m. in person at All Saints.

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!*

Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

*Helen Billimuk – 10/11/91; Maria Sandoi – 10/11/00; John Palifka – 10/12/84; Mary Kudrowski – 10/12/07;
Sandra Wecal – 10/12/10; Peter Scrobko – 10/13/76; Martha Vlasik – 10/15/85; Sonia Kotrady – 10/16/02;
Tanya Kreyditch – 10/16/04; Alexander Olemick – 10/17/00; Mary Zinchuk – 10/17/70*

Commemorations

Living: Mary, Susan, Michael, Pavle, Layla, Katia, Many, Lewellen, Doreen, Richard, Roger, David, Danuta, Mark, Elizabeth, Agnes, Elizabeth

Departed: Henry, AnnMarie, Anna, Vladimir, Elaine, Margaret, Olga, Jeff, Richard, Andrew, Andrew, Maura, Helena, Alina, Peter, Zenaida, Olga, Melania, Sandie

Troparion/Kontakion

Troparion — Tone 8

Most glorious art Thou, O Christ our God, / Who hast established the Holy Fathers as luminaries on the earth.
/ By them Thou hast guided us on the path of the True Faith. / O Most Merciful One, glory to Thee!

Kontakion — Tone 6

The Son, Who shone forth ineffably from the Father, / was born of a woman, in two natures. / Beholding Him, we do not deny the image of His form, / but depicting it piously, we revere it with faith. / Therefore, the Church, holding the True Faith, / venerates the Icon of Christ's Incarnation.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9

The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago – whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows – such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows – how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Gospel according to Luke 7:11-16

Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, “Young man, I say to you, arise.” So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has risen up among us”; and, “God has visited His people.”

Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

Today the Church remembers the 350 holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council under the holy Patriarch Tarasius (February 25). The Synod of 787, the second to meet at Nicaea, refuted the Iconoclast heresy during the reign of Empress Irene and her son Constantine VI.

The Council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype (the person depicted). It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because “no man has seen God at any time” (John 1:18).

In Greek practice, the holy God-bearing Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council are commemorated on October 11 (if it is a Sunday), or on the Sunday which follows October 11. According to the Slavic menaion, however, if the eleventh falls on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday, the service is moved to the preceding Sunday.

Outreach Opportunities

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 – TODAY – October 11, 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.

Support Ukranian Refugees in Poland through IOCC/OCA Partnership

<https://www.oca.org/news/headline-news/support-ukrainian-refugees-in-poland-through-iocc-oca-partnership>

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)