

RECEIVING CROWNS THAT SHALL NOT FADE

Jesus once proclaimed: *"Whoever shall confess Me before men, him will I confess before My Father Who is in Heaven . . ."* One such confessor was ST. ZENOBIAS, a physician who healed many freely by the power of God. Because of his virtue, he was consecrated Bishop of Aegae. Another was his sister, ST. ZENOBIA, as seen on today's cover. Both were martyred in the year 285 during the reign of Emperor Diocletian.

Since Bishop Zenobias was active in preaching the Gospel of Christ and doing works of charity for his flock, it is not surprising that he was summoned before the pagan magistrate during the times of persecution of Christians. The magistrate put it straight: *"You have one of two choices - LIFE or DEATH. Life, if you bow before our idols in worship; and death, if you reject them."* Zenobias publicly confessed his faith in Christ and refused to worship idols. He was then subjected to torture. During this, his sister Zenobia left the crowd of onlookers, turned to the magistrate, proclaiming, *"I, too, am a Christian, and together with my brother confess the Lord Jesus Christ . . . together with him I am ready to suffer and die."* And so they both suffered, and fell asleep in the Lord, after which other Christians came and buried their bodies with great honor.

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Fifth Sunday of Luke

St. Cleopas of the 70; Sts. Zenobios & Zenobia

PROSFORO – Offered by Aleka Costianis

COFFEE HOUR – Hosted by Tina Hahn and her family

SPECIAL SERVICE

WED. NOV. 2 – Paraklesis

10:00 AM

Bible Study

11:30 AM

SPECIAL ACTIVITY

WED. NOV. 2 – Senior Citizens Meeting with Annual Thanksgiving Day Luncheon

1:00 PM

CONDOLENCES to the families of 1) George Vonakis who reposed in the Lord on Wednesday, October 26; 2) Presvytera Maria Kossis in Easton, PA. May the Lord have mercy on their souls and grant comfort to their families.

ELECTION DAY CHICKEN DINNER on Tuesday, November 8, from 11:30 AM – 7:00 PM in our Community Center; the center is a Voting Precinct for the neighbors in this area. A Bake Sale will also take place and Parish Council is asking parishioners to donate baked goods

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, is the end of Daylight Savings Time. Before going to bed on Saturday night, turn your clocks **back** one hour.

JOY YOUTH GROUP EVENT, grades 3-6, will be held next Sunday, November 6, at the home of Demetri and Sarah Hahn, 107 Ashley Ridge, Beaver, from 3:00 PM-5:00 PM. They are having a fall gathering and activities with church friends and Father Stelyios. RSVP to Silvia Kazas 412-334-1813.

OUR HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS is introducing an outreach program. It is called HHH (Triple H), for Hellenic Holiday Helpers. They will be providing dinner for two families for Thanksgiving, as well as dinner and presents for two families for Christmas. They want to earn money to help pay for these four families so they have decided to help any member in the community to baby sit, rake leaves, move summer furniture, take Christmas decorations out of storage, basically any chore anyone may need help with. Donation amount is up to you, whatever you feel is worth the student's time. Please contact Angelique Avdellas at 412-953-3785 and she will co-ordinate with you.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS/HOSTESSES – Next Sunday, **November 6**, Ladies Philoptochos Society; Sunday, **November 13**, Flaskos family; Sunday, **November 20**, George & Kristine Avdellas and Maria Gregorakis; Sunday, **November 27**, Lynne, Tula & Margie Kakiou. All the remaining Sundays in 2016 have been filled with Coffee Hour volunteers; **THANK YOU** to everyone that has volunteered!

VASILOPITES – Senior Citizens are taking orders in the Community Center following Divine Liturgy; price is \$7.00/each and deadline for orders is November 9. To place your orders, please see Marsha Georgakis or call her at 724-375-7984. Baking will take place on Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, November 14, 15 & 16. Everyone's help, women and men, will be needed to help form and bake them.

STRIP DISTRICT – Senior Citizens are taking their annual bus trip to the Strip District this Saturday, November 5. Everyone is welcome to join them on this fun shopping day; charge is \$2.00/members and \$5.00/non-members. For lunch, they will be stopping at the Olive Garden in Robinson Township. If interested in joining them, please see Marsha Georgakis or call her at 724-375-7984. Please be at the Community Center by 8:15 AM; the bus will leave at 8:30 AM.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD – Cost is \$10.00 and names are being taken by Tula Kakiou and Connie Czambel. Deadline for handing in the names is Sunday, December 4.

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY will be held at Shadow Lakes Country Club on Sunday, December 4; if interested in attending, please see Sophie Prigorac or call her at 724-728-8615.

G.A.P.A. CHRISTMAS PARTY will be held on Saturday, December 10, 12:00 Noon at J.W. Hall's Private Dining Room in Hopewell Shopping Center. Choice of menu is Broiled Chicken Breast \$20.00; Lobster Kettle or Prime Rib each \$21.00. All meals include a tossed salad, potato, coffee & tea; price also includes tax & gratuity. If interested in attending, please contact Helen Valsamidis 724-378-0733 with your reservation and choice of meal no later than Monday, December 5.