



# CHRIST THE SAVIOR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## BULLETIN OF OCTOBER 30, 2011

### Welcome Visitors

We warmly welcome all those who are visiting us today. It is good to have you all with us!

### The Parish Council

will meet on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the status of the acquisition of the new parish center.

**Prayers for Those in the Healing Ministries – Sunday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>**  
will be offered at the Liturgy on Sunday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>. Doctors, pharmacists, dentists, nurses, counselors and all those involved in the health and wellness fields are asked to come forward for a blessing.

### St. Michael's Party – Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

On November 6<sup>th</sup> (the Sunday after Halloween and before the Feast of Archangel Michael – November 8<sup>th</sup>) we will have a St. Michael's Party for the children. After the Divine Liturgy, the children will get dressed up as Saints and Angels and have a parade during the coffee hour. Questions, please see Mat. Emily.



### Coffee Hour / Barbeque – Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>

Next week, we will fire up the grill for the last time in 2011 – offering hotdogs, hamburgers, and other barbecue items. We already have some food in the freezer, but there is a sign-up sheet in the back for other items. Please see Alice with any questions.

**Variance Hearing at Snow Hill, MD – Thurs, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm**  
Worcester County Government Center, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, room 1102.

### 2012 Calendars & Pocket Planners

can be ordered via the order sheet in the back of the church. The calendars are \$5.00 a piece and the pocket planners \$4.00. The order sheet will be in the back of the church for the next month or so.

### Parishioners That Are Home Bound

If you or a loved one cannot make it to Church to receive the Holy Mysteries, Fr. John would be very pleased to visit at your home, in the hospital, at a nursing home, or any other place. Please be sure to schedule a visit with him.



### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

#### 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

8:40a.m. Hours  
9:00a.m. Divine Liturgy  
Prayers for Healers  
Coffee Hour  
Parish Council Meeting

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>

5:00p.m. No Class  
6:00p.m. Great Vespers

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Pentecost  
8:40a.m. Hours  
9:00a.m. Divine Liturgy  
Coffee Hour

### READER SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>

Kathy Parrish

#### Sunday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>

Bruce Eckerd



*Never confuse the person, formed in the image of God, with the evil that is in him: because evil is but a chance misfortune, an illness, a devilish attack. But the very essence of the person is the image of God, and this remains in him despite every disfigurement.*

St. John of Kronstadt

**Prayer List:** Fr. Michael Mihalick, Fr. Alexander Atty, Fr. Christian, Mat. Dunia, Mat. Lisa, Kelly Elizabeth & child, Bill Parrish, Fa-zealle, Hayley, Tyler Pelesh, Jerrie Rife, Wallace & Michelle, Ryan & Kayla, Maleah Morsey, Victoria Kokkinos, Ed Tucker, Karen Nichols, Denise Royal, Simeon, Scott & Maryann, Roman Szwee, Garrett Cuppels, Jane Kosutko, Nicholas & Linda, Nina Gordon, Mirela & Chris, Troy Duker, Mary Miranda, Bruce Eckerd, Stella, Lilly Barnett, Amy F., Nedelina, Henrietta Stack.

| OPERATING THRU 9/30/11 |         |        | OCTOBER OPERATING |       |            | BUILDING FUND |        |            |
|------------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|-------|------------|---------------|--------|------------|
| Income                 | Expense | Net    | Income            | Goal  | Difference | Income        | Goal   | Difference |
| 38,975                 | 47,591  | -8,616 | 3,367             | 5,900 | -2,533     | 19,560        | 20,000 | -440       |

## THE UNMERCENARY HEALERS

As the month of November begins, the Church celebrates the memory of the Unmercenary Healers and Physicians. These are the saints that are especially known for being in the medical field and for being gifted with the power of healing. The saints healed always in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. They also used the medical procedures and medications of their day. The hymnology of the day mentions these saints by name:

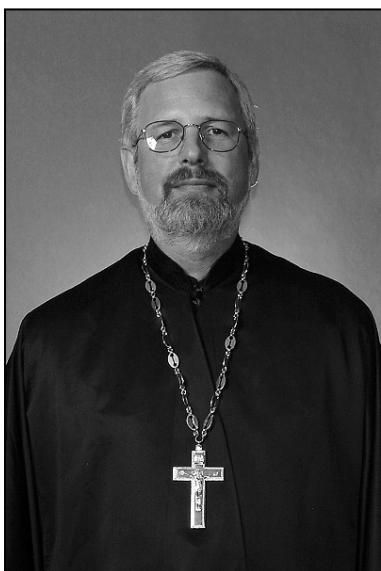


*the Apostle and Evangelist Luke, the excellent healer of the infirm; of Antipas, Charalampus and Blaise, the most honored hieromartyrs; Spyridon and Modestus, the all-splendid luminaries of the Church; the three pair of divinely wise saints Cosmas and Damian, who shared the same name and the same ways; Cyrus and the glorious John; the divine Panteleimon and Hermolaus; the Nun-Martyr and deliverer from depression, Maria of Gatchina; the Royal Nun-martyr Elizabeth of Moscow; Luke the Archbishop and Surgeon of Crimea*

Like all of the saints these Unmercenary Physicians dedicated themselves to God, becoming the first missionary physicians of the Christian Church. They preached the Christian Faith and treated the sick without accepting any payments or rewards for their services. They also gave to the poor whatever earthly possessions they had. Living in terrible poverty for God's love, all were renamed "Unmercenaries" which means "not influenced by financial gain".

Seeing their humility, sacrifices, and dedication, God blessed them with the special gift of working miracles. The saints used God's gift to cure all kinds of diseases through the holy name of Jesus Christ. They cured lepers, made the paralyzed to walk, drove off evil spirits, healed the blind, and even raised the dead. All these wonders were performed by the power of God, through the prayers of these saints.

Hundreds of years after their death, Orthodox Christians still turn to these saints for healing of their illnesses and for comfort for their souls. The saints continue to perform miracles by interceding to our Lord Jesus Christ for those who pray with faith.



## ARCHPRIEST JOHN A. JILLIONS ACCEPTS OCA CHANCELLOR'S POSITION

*From OCA.org / SYOSSET, NY [OCA]*

On Friday, October 21, 2011, Archpriest Eric G. Tosi, Secretary of the Orthodox Church in America, announced that Archpriest John A. Jillions has accepted the position of Chancellor.

Selected from a slate of several applicants, Father John was confirmed by the Holy Synod of Bishops upon the recommendation of the Metropolitan Council at their fall sessions.

A life-long member of the Orthodox Church in America, Father John was born in Montreal, Quebec, Canada in 1955. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from McGill University. In 1980, he received the Master of Divinity degree from Saint Vladimir's Seminary, Crestwood, NY, from which he also received the Doctor of Ministry degree in 2005. His doctoral thesis, "The Language of Enemies," traces the ways Orthodox Christians perceive and treat their "enemies" and uses some of the insights of contemporary conflict studies. In 2002, he was awarded the

Ph.D. in New Testament from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. His doctoral dissertation offered a comparative study of the ways divine guidance was understood in the first century Pauline, Greco-Roman, and Jewish worlds.

After his ordination to the diaconate and the priesthood in 1981 and 1984 respectively by His Eminence, the late Archbishop Peter [L'Huillier], he served Holy Virgin Protection Cathedral, New York, NY; Annunciation Church, Brisbane, Australia; Holy Trinity Church, Rahway, NJ; Saint George Church, Thessaloniki, Greece; and Saint Ephraim the Syrian Church, Cambridge, UK, before returning to Canada in 2003. He was a founding director of the Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies in Cambridge and served as its first Principal from 1999 until 2002. Previously, he served as administrator of Saints Cosmas and Damian

Adult Home, Staten Island, NY, and as a bank officer with Bankers Trust. In the early 1990s, he served briefly as a Chaplain (Captain) in the US Air Force Reserve.

Since 2003, Father John served as an Associate Professor with the Sheptytsky Institute of Eastern Christian Studies at Saint Paul University, Ottawa, where he taught in the areas of 20th century Orthodox Christian thought, New Testament, ecumenism, and practical theology. Concurrently, he served as Dean of Ottawa's Annunciation Cathedral until 2009, at which time he was attached to the cathedral while serving "on loan" to the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Toronto, servicing a small community in Brockville, Ontario. He also has been a contributor to the "Ask the Religion Experts" column of The Ottawa Citizen and most recently has served as one of the vice-presidents of the Canadian Council of Churches.

He and his wife, Denise Melligon, have three grown sons — Andrew (married to Alice), Alex (married to Meaghan), and Anthony.

## WHAT DOES THE OCA CHANCELLOR DO?

*From OCA.org / Job Description for OCA Chancellor*

### Supervisory and Job Controls:

The Chancellor is assigned areas of responsibility and scope of decision-making by the Metropolitan. Serves the Metropolitan as a trusted assistant and is accountable to the Metropolitan and Holy Synod in assigned areas. In accomplishing work, follows legal, regulatory, and established Best Practices and Policies for Financial Accountability of the OCA, keeping the Metropolitan informed of all non-routine issues and decisions. Work is assessed in terms of overall accomplishments, timeliness, and responsiveness to the needs of the Church, within assigned areas.

### Major Duties

Serves as assistant and advisor to the Metropolitan of the Orthodox Church in America, is responsible for the administrative oversight and day-to-day operations of the Chancery, and is the main liaison for communications of chancery activities to the Metropolitan, Holy Synod and Metropolitan Council.



1. Assists the Metropolitan in managing national-level clergy-related activities, including seminarian development and ordination, inter-jurisdictional transfers, continuing education, and retired clergy and widows' support. Works closely with the Church's hierarchs and seminaries to implement programs in the best interests of the Church, its dioceses, and individual members of the clergy. As required, reports progress, problems, and recommendations to the Metropolitan and Holy Synod, as well as to the OCA's Councils, Synods, and membership.
2. Oversees and/or guides the work of the Board of Theological Education and assigned OCA Departments, Committees, Boards, and Commissions. Assists in development of organizational goals and objectives including budget proposals; oversees progress against goals including financial stewardship; provides direction when necessary; ensures appropriate coordination among the various individuals and groups assigned him; ensures appropriate reporting to OCA Councils, Synods and membership; and resolves problems that transcend the scope of individual organizations.
3. As assigned, represents the Metropolitan and Holy Synod in religious, spiritual and administrative activities; acts in his/their stead in dealings with clergy, laity, employees, and organizations of the OCA and with other religious jurisdictions and lay organizations. In this capacity, acts to maintain the organizational integrity and further the growth of the Church.
4. Serves as Chief of Staff for the Chancery.
5. Serves as a voting Member of the Metropolitan Council.
6. Oversees the Office of Review of Sexual Misconduct Allegations; continually communicates the activities of that Office to the Metropolitan and Holy Synod.
7. Serves as ex-officio member of the Boards of Trustees of St. Herman's, St. Tikhon's and St. Vladimir's Seminaries.