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SUNDAY, JULY 15

Saint Ann Slavic American Festival

CHURCH CALENDAR

JUNE

29 Saints Peter and Paul
(The Apostles Fast — June 7-28)

JULY

20 Holy Prophet Elias
25 Feast of St. Ann — Our
Parish Patron (There will be a
procession.)

AUGUST

6 Feast of the Transfiguration
15 Dormition of the Mother of
God
(Fast — August 1-14) There will be
a procession on this feast day.
29 Beheading of St. John the
Baptist

SEPTEMBER

1 Beginning of the New Liturgi-
cal Year
1-3 Pilgrimage to Uniontown —
Celebration of the 73rd
Anniversary
(Labor Day Weekend)

The Saint Ann Byzantine Catho-
lic Church Slavic American Festival
starts at 12 noon on Sunday, July 15,
and the activities continue until 9 p.m.
You are invited to begin the day by at-
tending the Divine Liturgy celebrated
at 8 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Throughout the day the church
will be open for prayer and reflection,
and there will be scheduled tours and
musical concerts. Prayer books, icons,
and one-of-a-kind ethnic items that can be purchased are on display outside of the church.

By noon the parish center starts getting crowded as people line up to buy the ethnic specialty foods. Halupkies, perohi, schnitzlies, kielbasi, halushky and full dinners are enjoyed by the guests who can sit in the hall to eat or sit at a table under the tents located around the grounds. Also, a la carte and take-out foods are available throughout the day. Some people start with the desserts that include St. Ann's famous walnut rolls and delicious homemade cakes, pies, cookies, and fudge.



Dancing begins at 1 p.m. with the Polka Quads from Steelton. At 5 p.m. John Stevens & Doubleshot Polka Band from Swoyersville starts playing.

The Slavic American Festival gives the community a chance to learn more about our Church and our culture. The festival also gives our Church family an opportunity to show their love for their Church and each other. Let's make this year's festival the best yet by volunteering often wherever the help is needed.

Remember you are the best publicity for our festival. Please place the enclosed flier about our festival on the bulletin board at work, at school, in the gym, or at any public place. Help publicize Saint Ann Slavic American Festival as soon as possible!

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Divine Liturgies
at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.
(Summer Schedule)
Holy Day Vigil 7:00 p.m.

Our PARISH SLAVONIC AMERICAN DAY is a great opportunity to introduce ourselves to our greater Harrisburg community. Everyone is asked to be Slavonic for one day. We want to share with our community our ethnic heritage, but more important to introduce ourselves as a people who believe together, pray together, work together, and celebrate together as a parish family. May our witness be one of faith, fellowship and joy as a people.

Father John

— SAINT ANN PARISH NEWS —

Welcome to our new parishioners

- Dennis Alessi
- Christopher Rymarczuk
- Stephen and Melanie Nehilla and children Francis, RachelAnn, and Nicholas

Mysteries of Initiation — Mnohaya L'ita:

- Alexandra Coleman, daughter of Michael and Rebecca Coleman
- Elana Kathryn Mistishen, daughter of Nicholas and Gina Mistishen

Eternal Memory — Vičnaja Pamyat

Our parish family extends its condolences to

- The family of Bishop Michael Dudick
- Falatovich family on the falling asleep of Ann's mother, Anna Rosiak
- Family of Katharina Radczenska

Thank You

Thank you to Father John, Joan Trautlein, our ECF Coordinator, and the following dedicated teachers for the successful 2006-2007 school year:

Vera Miller, Anita Lilliock, Karen Grubb, Kathy Szarko, Gina Mistishin, Marie Gruber, Eileen Dietman, Al and Maribeth Peters, Grace Rentovich, Marie Sirkot, Marya Tipton, Eric MacCollum, Phillip Zulli, Marie Nester, Tracy Ort, Roxanne Ebert, and James Kushlan.



Also, thank you to the parents and children and the ECF organization that supports and funds the many activities for our youth. Our weekly ECF classes are on summer break—not from having Jesus Christ in our lives, but simply from going to a classroom to learn our lessons. Classes will begin again on Sunday, September 16.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following graduates

High School

- ABIGAYLE ACKER — Central Dauphin H.S.
- DEREK LONG — Cedar Cliff H.S.
- RYAN PATTERSON — Central Dauphin East H.S.
- GREG SZARKO — Hempfield H.S.

College

- MICHAEL KUSHNER — Penn State University
- MONICA LAZUR — James Madison University
- JOSHUA SMEE — New York University

Congratulations to . . .

CHRISTOPHER BALOGH for having received the Eagle Scout Award, the highest rank given in Boy Scouts.

DEANNA SIRKOT who has been accepted to Manhattan School of Music's pre-college program.

St. Ann Eastern Christian Vacation Bible School "SON FORCE KIDS"

June 24, Sunday, to June 28, Thursday
6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Congratulations to the 2007-2008 ECF Officers

- President — **RICH LAYCHOCK**
- Vice President — **ROXANNE EBERT**
- Treasurer — **JOE APONICK**
- Children's Social Director — **ANN CASTANEIRA**
- Secretary — **Please consider volunteering for this position.**

— E.C.F. REGISTRATION —

Please use one form for each child that is being registered for the 2007-2008 school year.

Child's Information:

Name: First _____ Middle _____ Surname _____ Age _____

School and Grade _____ Birthdate ____/____/____

Parent's Information: Father _____ Mother _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Please include a copy of the child's Baptism certificate if he or she was not baptized in this parish.

One Year Anniversary of Father Michael's Falling Asleep in the Lord

August 17th will mark the one year anniversary of Father Michael's death. We will celebrate a Divine Liturgy on this day; and on Sunday, August 19th, we will have a Mercy Meal in Father Michael's memory. One of the things we are asking parishioners and friends to do is to share a memory of Father Michael. Would you write it down and send it to the parish office? We will share some of them at the Mercy Meal. Thank You.

Father John

PICNIC SIGN-UP SHEETS

As in the past, we are asking for your help to work at the picnic. Sign-up sheets are available in the vestibule of the church for you to choose what stand and what hours you will be available to help. Remember, the success of our St. Ann Festival depends on each and every one of us working as a team!

"Basket Bonanza" Raffle

We are asking parish organizations, individual parish members, families and/or groups of parish members to sponsor a basket valued at \$50.00. Use your imagination and be as creative as you wish, or you may want to make a monetary donation for a basket and we will do the shopping for you! The baskets will acknowledge the responsible organization, group or person. If you have any questions, contact Madeline Yanni 319-4875, Joanne and Harry Smith 561-8465, or Cindy and Tom Walko 545-4046.

Baked Goods

We look forward to your delicious cakes, pies, breads, and any other wonderful desserts made for the Festival. Please drop off your donations on Saturday, July 14 and have them labeled to identify what we are selling. Also, label your pan and pick it up before you leave the Festival on Sunday, July 15.

For the Feast of St. Ann:

Would you be interested in memorializing flowers, the 7-day branch candle or the St. Ann shrine icon candle? If you are, please call the parish office, 652-1415.

PICNIC GROVE CLEAN UP
will take place
on Saturday, June 30 at 9 a.m.
Please come out to help.

Festival Wish List

Our Festival has acquired the reputation of being one of the biggest and best in central Pennsylvania, and all because of the giving of your time, talents, and treasures. Below are items which will be needed for our festival. Please drop off any donated items at the parish center at your convenience: cooking oil (gallon container), margarine, paper towels, napkins, Great Northern beans, ketchup (no mustard), liquor, wine, iced tea mix, knives, forks, spoons, and powdered sugar. Also, monetary donations are accepted.

THANK YOU to the following businesses and individuals that made upfront donations to the 2007 festival raffle.

Neil Funeral Home, Inc.

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St. Ann Bingo

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Plouse Family

The Greater Harrisburg Arts Council

Hetrick Funeral Home, Inc.

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George Demshock

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Carsonville Hotel

The Catholic Shop

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M & S Auto Sales Center

Philip L. Zulli, ESQ

Mary Mykyta

Pug

Jaroslav & Edwina Dubiansky

Andy & Mary Gnull

George & Beverly Kushner

Mary Kolonosky

Irene Sedun

John Williams

Dr. Anthony & Virginia Mosca

David & Debra Goodnight

Paul & Christine Smith

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Tridium of Prayer — July 22-23-24

Plan to join your Church family to prepare for the Feast Day of Saint Ann.

Check the weekly bulletin for more details.

UPCOMING EVENTS

A VIGIL LITURGY

Scheduled for Saturday, July 14, at 4 p.m., the day before the St. Ann Slavic American Festival.

BUS TRIP TO UNIONTOWN

Sunday, September 2, 2007. The trip is \$40 per person, and the ECF will pay for all ECF children that plan to go. Sign up on the sheet in the back of the church if you plan to attend.

BLESSED THEODORE ROMZHA PILGRIMAGE

Will be held from October 30-November 9, 2007. Reservation applications are available at the church office, 717-652-1415. Reservation deadline is Sunday, July 15, 2007.

ANNUAL FAMILY DAY PICNIC

Plan to join your Church family
for the annual September picnic
on Sunday, September 9, 2007.

SAINT ANN COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Saturday, September 15, 2007

Check the weekly bulletin for more details. Spaces will be rented to showcase and sell those one-of-a-kind articles and anything else you no longer need. Also, food and baked goods will be sold. Plan ahead to become part of this church project.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO THIS SUMMER?

• June 30 - July 1

St. Nicholas 72nd annual Parish Picnic — Picnic Grove, Primrose — Ethnic foods, live entertainment, refreshments.

• Sunday, July 29

73rd Annual Ukrainian Seminary Day, Primrose — Ethnic foods, live entertainment and refreshments. (This annual event started as Ukrainian Day in Lakewood Park.)