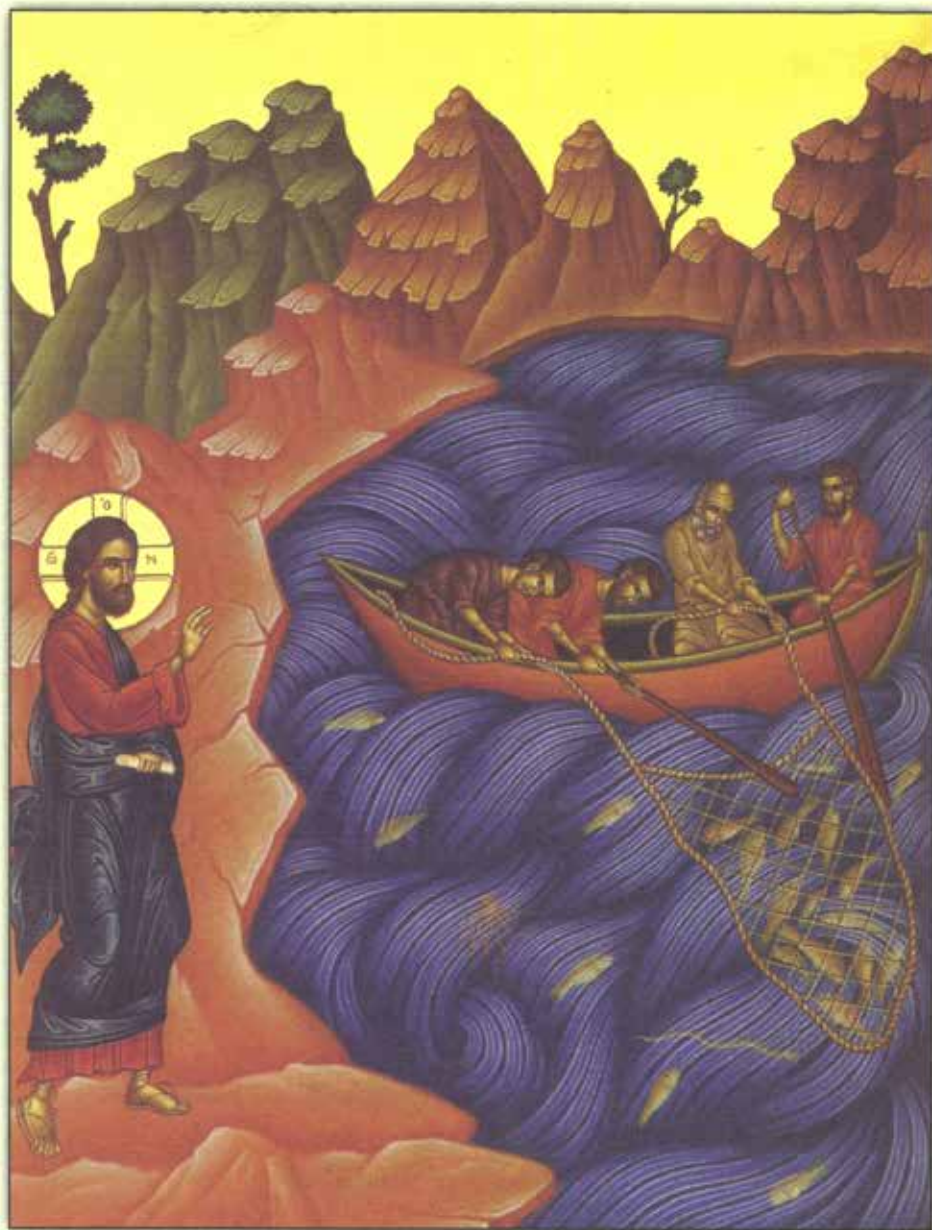


EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Peter and the Apostles, Catching Fish

September 22, 2013

18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – TONE 1

THE HOLY HIEROMARTYR PHOCAS, BISHOP OF SINOPE; THE HOLY PROPHET JONAH; THE VENERABLE PRIEST JONAH, FATHER OF STS. THEOPHANES THE HYMNOGRAPHER AND THEODORE THE BRANDED

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23 – SEPTEMBER 29

Please Note: There will be NO Vespers during the Summer months unless noted in the bulletin.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 – 19TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST; OUR VENERABLE FATHER CYRIACUS THE ANCHORITE
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy For All Parishioners

Special Parish Survival Strategy Meeting

Mark your calendars!

Today, there will be an important Special Meeting of the Parish Body to discuss urgent issues related to the immediate future of the parish. All parish members are asked to attend.

Looking Ahead

- Sunday, 10/6: Pokrov Celebration

Празник – Parish Feast

Mark your calendars. On Sunday, October 6, we will celebrate the feast of Покров – The Holy Protection of the Mother of God. Tickets will be available in the church hall after Divine Liturgy. Ticket prices: Adults - \$15.00; children (11-17) - \$8.00; children 10 and under – Free. We need help to set up for the Praznyk Celebration in the Church Hall. We also need help with serving and with clean up following the celebration.

Young Adult's Compline & Coffee will be meeting this month at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, 4175 Poplar St, San Diego, CA 92105 on Thursday, Sept. 26 at 7pm. Join other young adults (18-30+) in San Diego for prayer and discussions. The topic will be, "The Church & Warfare."

For more info contact Donnie at donnie.carmichael@gmail.com or go to: www.facebook.com/SanDiegoOrthodoxYoungAdults

Sunday offering for September 15

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>
\$10.00	2
\$20.00	4
\$24.00	1 (loose)
\$40.00	4
\$50.00	2
\$100.00	8
\$150.00	1
\$250.00	1
\$400.00	1
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\$2184.00	

Parishioner Total: \$1694.00

Visitor Total: \$490.00

Average / parish household (42): \$40.33

Weekly Stewardship Goal: \$2125.00

Shortfall: **-\$431.00**

Please Note:

When you are away, please don't forget that the church still relies on your contributions. Our bills do not go on vacation. Your absence on any Sunday does not negate your obligation to support your home parish.

CARDS FOR SALE

Don't forget that various greeting cards are available for sale in the church hall following each Divine Liturgy. See Mary Kitt to purchase.

God's Extended Hand

FOCUS San Diego Dinners: If we don't gather teams of people to open God's Extended Hand (1625 Island Ave SD 92101) and prepare and serve dinner each Wednesday, many poor & homeless people will go without dinner! YOUR HELP IS NEEDED for:

- Food Prep & Cooking (4-6 people):
2:00-6:30 PM,
- Doorman & Floorman (2 trained men, & 1 or 2 others who want to learn):
4:00-7:15 PM
- Serving & Clean Up (8-10 people):
6:20-8:00 PM.

For more info, or to volunteer, please contact Patty: pattydiaz@focusna.org or 858-679-9283. You may also contact Fr. James. May God bless you for giving of your time and energy for His work!

A Reminder: FOCUS has provided us with a special bin for collecting donations of clothing, toiletries, etc. to be distributed at GEH. It is located near the door of the church hall

Did You Know We're on Facebook?

"Like" us to receive our posts, and so that your friends can get to know your church a little. Who knows who else may "Like" us too? <https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-John-the-Baptizer-Ukrainian-Catholic-Church/137098752989860>

Special Event Announcement

C.S. LEWIS ON MORTALITY & HOPE

In this 50th anniversary of C.S. Lewis' passing, Saint Katherine College is proud to host the renowned Oxford scholar Dr. Michael Ward for a public lecture on C.S. Lewis' views on death and the world to come. The lecture will take place at Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 3459 Manchester Ave, Cardiff By Sea, CA 92007 on September 23, 7:30 pm. Admission is free and the lecture is open to the public. Please contact Rev. Dr. Andrew Cuneo (frandrewcuneo@gmail.com) with any questions.

For the complete Fall 2013 St. Katherine forum lectures schedule visit
www.stkath.org

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Catching Fish

So let me recall with you those two catches of fish made by the disciples at the command of the Lord Jesus Christ: one before His passion, the other after His resurrection. These two catches of fish stand for the whole church, both as it is now and as it will be at the resurrection of the dead. Now, as you can see, it contains countless numbers, both good and bad. After the resurrection it will contain only the good, and a definite number of them.

So call to mind that first catch, where we may see the Church as it is in this present time. The Lord Jesus found His disciples fishing, when He first called them to follow Him. They had caught nothing all night. But when they saw him, they heard Him telling them, "Let down your nets." "Master," they said, "we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." They cast them at the command of the Al-

mighty. What else could happen, but that which He intended? But all the same, He was pleased, as I said, to indicate something to us that He knew would be to our advantage.

The nets were cast. The Lord had not yet suffered, not yet risen again. The nets were cast. They caught so many fish that two boats were filled, and the very nets were torn by that vast quantity of fish. Then he said to them "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." They received from Him the nets of the Word of God, they cast them into the world as into a deep sea, and they caught the vast multitude of Christians that we can see and marvel at. Those two boats, though, stood for the two peoples, Jews and Gentiles, synagogue and Church, those circumcised and those uncircumcised.

St. Augustine of Hippo