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**PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. The first day of church school is **September 15**. We encourage students and parents to sit with other church school students on the left front in the church. We will recognize students for their good attendance last school year and acknowledge teachers for their efforts. Students are reminded to **bring his/her backpack for a special blessing for the new school year. After church, we ask all parents to come to the Jabara Multi-Purpose room to learn about the Parent Auxiliary.**
2. **SEPTEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> AND 21<sup>ST</sup>**, Saturday and Sunday, we will sponsor our third BERGEN STREET FEST. Please see Father Michael to volunteer your time at Bergen Street Fest. We have plenty of 2-hour time slots that need to be staffed across both Saturday and Sunday, September 20-21. Try your hand at something new. The Setup and Takedown teams, Bakery, Admission Gates, Beer Garden, and the Kids Zone all need plenty of help. Please see Father Michael today to sign up! Liturgy will begin at 9:00 AM on September 21<sup>st</sup>.
3. **FALL SCHEDULE, 2019**
  - A. **September 1<sup>st</sup>** – Regular Liturgy. This is the official beginning of the Church Year. On our secular calendar it is the day before LABOR DAY, which falls on Monday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. (There will be no bulletin on that Sunday.)
  - B. **September 8<sup>th</sup>** – Regular Liturgy for the Feast Day of the Nativity of Our Lady. Also on this day, Father Joseph will address the entire parish during the Homily time regarding the future administration of the parish. This will include the new positions of Father Joseph and Father Michael.
  - C. **September 15<sup>th</sup>** – Regular Liturgy with the Procession of the Cross. Church School officially opens. Father Michael will speak to the Church School during the Homily time.
  - D. **September 20-21** – Bergen Street Fest! We need the support of the entire parish. Please check your email!
  - E. **September 11<sup>th</sup>** – Parish Council Meeting at 7:30 PM Sharp!
4. Now that Summer has arrived, we remind everybody – male and female – that they should not forget what is appropriate dress when we come to Church! It is not a trip to the park, the swimming pool, the mall, etc. We gather to worship God in the Liturgy. Please dress accordingly and instruct our children and teens to do likewise.
5. **Attention:** Please check all doors before leaving the Church! We are both leaving the doors open too long (so that animals have entered) and forgetting to lock doors when we are the last ones out. **This is YOUR CHURCH!**
6. **The Holy Oblations Book** – It has come to our attention that some families are signing the Holy Oblation book every Sunday! The proper procedure is as follows: Please limit the names on anniversary dates so that we are not for example, commemorating by name too many of our fourth and fifth cousins (Aunts, uncles, etc.) ! Also when a family offers the gifts, there is a contribution to the Church, which goes with that offering. Our list has recently grown to 40-50 names. Certainly we can – and we do – pray for everyone, but we cannot mention all the individual names for four or five families every Sunday. It will help to remember then on birthdays, names days, anniversaries of funerals, etc.

**THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Epistle: I Corinthians 4:9-16

Titus the Apostle

Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23

Tone: One

**THE EPISTLE**

Prokeimenon: Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.  
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous

The reading is from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

BRETHREN, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

**THE EUCHARISTIC OFFERINGS**

The Holy Oblations are offered at the offertory of the Great Entrance for the health and welfare of those living members, and for those departed this life of Maaya Family.

Today the Maaya Family will offer the Coffee Reception. We ask our parishioners NOT TO WAIT to sign up for offering the Coffee Reception; this is a vital part of our parish life! The Chart is posted in the "Coffee Room" and the items needed are both in that room and on our web site (see our web page address above). The Coffee Reception does not need to be "fancy;" just "Coffee'n." See Barbara DiNovi or Sandy Eliopoulos for information, but please take your turn, perhaps with another family.