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### July 11, 2010

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

- 9:00am – Divine Liturgy  
Epistle: **Rom. 15:1-7**  
Gospel: **Matt. 9:27-35**
- Panikhida - in memory of Halina & Jan Szeszawicki & John Gryc offered by Walentyna & Mirosław Szeszawicki
- Fellowship – Please come downstairs following Liturgy for Coffee Hour, provided by Walentyna & Mirosław Szeszawicki.

### Schedule of Services

Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>  
6:00pm – choir rehearsal

Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>  
6:00pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup>  
9:00am – Divine Liturgy followed by Panikhida and Coffe Hour in memory of Julia Wasilewski offered by Wasilewski Family

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### Gabriel the Archangel

July 13 marks the Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel, the leader of the heavenly hosts of angels. The Prologue from Ochrid reminds us that we can find him in many "appearances and marvels through the whole history of the salvation of mankind."

In the Old Testament, Gabriel appears to Daniel, proclaiming to the "greatly beloved" prophet, "I have now come to give you wisdom and understanding" (Daniel 9:22-23). He imparts to Daniel a vision of both future tribulations and the coming of an "anointed one." It is clear from this encounter that angels sometimes appear in human form, for Daniel refers to his visitor as "the man Gabriel." They also sometimes fly; Daniel says that Gabriel "came to me in swift flight at the time of the evening sacrifice."

The first chapter of the Gospel of Luke tells of two other appearances of Gabriel, both directly related to Our Lord. First the angel visits the aged priest Zechariah to tell him that he and his wife Elizabeth will not only no longer be childless, but shall have a son who "will turn many of the sons of Israel to the Lord their God." To this wonderful news, the old man gives what is definitely the wrong response: "How shall I know this?"

We can imagine the archangel turning his powerful gaze on Zechariah as he says, "I am Gabriel, who stand in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you, and to bring you this good news." Zechariah is temporarily rendered unable to speak because of his disbelief. In the next verses, when Gabriel tells Mary she will bear the Son of the Most High, she is surprised, and questions him, but unlike Zechariah she believes and accepts his great news.

Both Mormons and Muslims teach things about Gabriel that Christianity absolutely rejects. Mormons claim that it was Noah "in his role as the archangel Gabriel" who visited Zechariah. For Muslims, it was Gabriel who revealed the Qur'an to Mohammed. Therefore, according to Islam, the archangel considered Jesus to be a prophet of Mohammed rather than the divine and only-

### Intercessory Prayer

THE LIVING:

Walter and Mary Milk, Stephen and Lillian Sokol, Benedict and Eva Benda, Theodore Rocca, Alexei, Nicholas, Frank, Michael and Elizabeth Zuber, Valentina Benda, Andrew Koch, Cindy Boswell, Olga DeMay, Helen Pirniak, Marianne Guagenti, Mikolaj, Avery, Sophie and Georgette Saba, George Silberman, George Hook, Peter Mazula, Helen Pawlush, Antonina Rotko, Matilda Skripak, Evelyn Morely, Jaser and Gazie Nesheiwat, Anne Hueston, Cathryn Christensen, Walter Epps, David Smith

**May God grant you Many Years!**

THE NEWLY DEPARTED:

Steven Petronko, Agnes Silberman, Julia Brelinsky, Helen Cotrone, June Bianchini

THE DEPARTED:

Maryanne Benda, Anne Verona, Ann Fondak, Theodor Bacha, Margaret Dellabella, George Makara.

**Memory Eternal! Вечная Память!**

begotten Son of God. But in that second chapter of Luke, Gabriel tells Mary that Jesus is "the Son of the Most High" of whose "kingdom there shall be no end." Jesus, Gabriel is clearly saying, is the Savior all the prophets were readying us for, not merely a prophet himself of a messiah yet to come.

As Christians we aren't encouraged to speculate about things that are "too great and too marvelous" for us, but the prophet Daniel gives us a wonderful vision of the angels, including Gabriel, worshipping around God's throne: "A stream of fire issued and came forth from before Him; a thousand thousands served Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him" (Daniel 7:9).

The Troparion for this day urges us to call on Gabriel: "Deliver us from harm, for you are the commander of the powers on high!"



### Today's Memorial Offering

- **St. John's Cross** – in memory of Halina and Jan Szeszawicki and Jan Gryc – by Walentyna & Mirosław Szeszawicki.



### Announcements

❖ The faithful of Annunciation Orthodox Church in Brick, New Jersey, invite everyone to join them for their Annual Parish Ethnic Food Fair and Gift Auction from 12 noon to 6:00pm on Sunday, July 25, 2010. In addition to great food and an extensive gift auction, there will be games for the children, entertainment, church tours, bell-ringing demonstrations, a choral presentation, and more. Please join us for a great day of fun and fellowship! Admission and parking are free!

❖ There will be a choir rehearsal this Wednesday, July 14 at 6:00pm. All Choir Members are urged to attend. Please remember that practice makes perfect. Your participation is desperately needed.

❖ Coffee Hour Sponsors are needed. Have it in memory or in honor of your loved ones. Please sign-up at the candle desk. Upcoming Coffee Hours: July 18 – by Wasilewski Family.

### A Heartfelt Thank You

Thank you very much to Nadine Galasso, Olga DeMay and Helen Pirniak who donated their time and talent to clean up and organize cabinets and closets in our church hall kitchen. May God pay you back hundredfold!

### Welcome to our Parish

We warmly welcome all families, friends and guests to our parish. We are glad to pray with you here today. Over the past eighty-six years, hundreds of people have called Ss. Peter and Paul their home. If this parish is the kind of a spiritual home you have been searching for, we would love to have you become a part of our family.