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CHURCH BULLETIN – MAY / JUNE 2011



THE HOLY BROTHERS CYRIL & METHODY – PATRONS OF OUR CATHEDRAL

Bulgarian Orthodox Church celebrates May 11, as a Feast Day of **Sts. Cyril and Methody** – the founders of Slavic literature and culture.

The two brothers, Saints Cyril and Methody were born in Thessaloniki in the 9th century, in 827 and 826 respectively. They became missionaries of Christianity among the Slavs and influenced the cultural development of all Slavic people. Both brothers were venerated in the Eastern Orthodox Church as Saints with the title of "Equals to the Apostles."

In 1880, Pope Leo XIII introduced their Feast into the calendar of the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1980, Pope John Paul II declared them Co - Patrons of Europe.

Our Cathedral proudly bears the names of the two Saints and each year organizes a Celebration of a Holy Mass and a Banquet in their honor.

LET THE DEED OF THE HOLY BROTHERS STANDS FOR CENTURIES!



HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY PREZVITERA ZLATKA POPOV!

The loved and respected Prezvitara Zlatka Popov turned 90 years.

This occasion was marked with a small ceremony on April 3, after Sunday Service in the Church Banquet Hall. Father Valeri Shumarov, Father Boris Drangov and all present sang "Na mnogaia Leta" and expressed their best wishes to her.

- Born in the village of Gilyovtsi, Municipality of Pomorie on April 6, 1921.
- 1938 - Married to Father Dimitar Popov.
- 1939 – 1941 – Prezvitara of St. Demetrius Church, Elhovo, Bulgaria.
- 1941 - 1968 – Prezvitara of St. Ivan Rilski Church, Burgas, Bulgaria.
- 1968 – 1974 - Prezvitara of the newly founded Church Parish "St. Petka", Adelaide, Australia.
- 1974 – 1986 – Prezvitara of Sts. Cyril & Methody Macedono – Bulgarian Orthodox Cathedral, Toronto, Canada.
- August 13, 1993 – The beloved Father Dimitar Popov, respected by all of us, passed away.

Left a widow, she continues to live her life as a true Christian, following the rules and laws of the Orthodox Church.

LET'S WISH HER HEALTH AND MANY MORE YEARS TO COME!

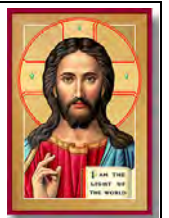
MAY GOD FILL HER DAYS WITH LOVE AND BLESSINGS, SHE SO DEEPLY DESERVES!

"Heartfelt gratitude to all, who organized and congratulated me for my 90 year Birthday. Let the Merciful God strengthen our faith in Him for the Glory of God and Salvation of our souls."

Prezvitara Zlatka Popov



CHURCH CALENDAR FOR MAY & JUNE 2011



MAY'2011

Divine Service Begins

1 st	SUNDAY	2 nd Sunday after Easter. St. Thomas.....	10:30 a.m.
6 th	FRIDAY	St. Greatmartyr George – The Victorious <i>(Service by all priests at St. George Church)</i>	10:00 a.m.
8 th	SUNDAY	3 rd Sunday after Easter. The Myrrhbearers.....	10:30 a.m.
11 th	WEDNESDAY	Sts. Cyril & Methody – Church Patrons <i>(Service by all priests, followed by a lunch)</i>	10:00 a.m.
15 th	SUNDAY	4 th Sunday after Easter. The Paralytic.....	10:30 a.m.
22 nd	SUNDAY	5 th Sunday after Easter. The Samaritan..... Patron's Day Banquet - Lunch & Musical Program	10:30 a.m.
29 th	SUNDAY	6 th Sunday after Easter – The Blind.....	10:30 a.m.

JUNE'2011

Divine Service Begins

2 nd	THURSDAY	The Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ.....	10:00 a.m.
5 th	SUNDAY	7 th Sunday after Easter. The Holy Fathers.....	10:30 a.m.
11 th	SATURDAY	Memorial Saturday. Zadushnitsa	10:00 a.m.
12 th	SUNDAY	8 th Sunday after Easter. Pentecost	10:30 a.m.
13 th	MONDAY	Holy Spirit. Pentecost <i>(Service by all priests at Holy Trinity Church)</i>	10:00 a.m.
19 th	SUNDAY	1 st Sunday after Pentecost. All Saints..... <i>(Petrovi Zagovezni)</i>	10:30 a.m.
26 th	SUNDAY	2 nd Sunday after Pentecost. All Bulgarian Saints.....	10:30 a.m.
29 th	WEDNESDAY	Sts. Apostles Peter & Paul (Petrov Den)	10:00 a.m.

EVERY SUNDAY THERE IS A MORNING SERVICE (MATINS), WHICH STARTS AT 9:30 AM

36TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONVENTION – JULY, 2011

This year, the 36th Annual Diocesan Convention will be hosted by “Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church of Allstone, MA and will take place on July 15, 16 & 17, 2011.

The services, meetings and meals will be held at the church at 62 Harvard Avenue in Allston and at the Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel at 400 Soldiers Field Road in Boston, MA. Accommodations will be at the Hotel, which is ½ mile from the church.

The hotel is spectacular and the rooms are all suits. The price will be 159.00/night plus tax. The hotel provides free hourly shuttle service to downtown Boston & Harvard Square.

To reserve a room, please call directly the hotel at 617 562 4117 and mention “Bulgarian Orthodox Diocese”.

Reservations need to be made no later than June 10, 2011 to ensure the Convention rate.

The Convention gives a great opportunity to be together with our Bishop and clergy and to see such dearly beloved brothers and sisters in Christ.

Please, plan to attend!



His Eminence Bishop Joseph

MEMORIAL SATURDAY (ZADUSHNITZA) – JUNE 11, 2011



Next **Memorial Saturday (Zadushnitsa)** will be on Saturday, June 11, 2011. The Service will start at 10:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy and General Panichida will be held for our departed and loved ones.

Their souls are alive in the Eternity. They stand before the Throne of God and need our prayers, alms and love.

Come and pray!

FASTING – PETROVI FAST

Fasting, inspired by a prayer, is that great spiritual force that enables any sincere believer to better communicate with God. Fasting purifies not only the body, which is a temple of the Holy Spirit, but makes the Christian more humble, devout and loving.

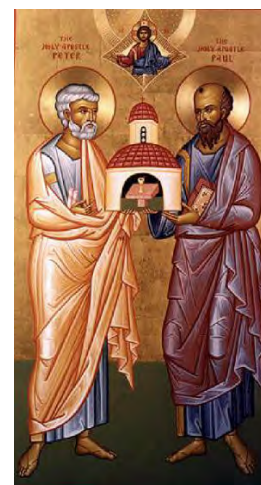
Fasting during the year are:

The Great Lent, Petrovi Fast, Virgin Mary Lent and Advent.

Petrovi Zagovezni is on June 19, 2011. Petrovi Fast starts on June 20 and continues until June 28, 2011.

Scripture teaches that there is no point to fast if fasting is not accompanied by charity, faith, prayer, and humility. Fasting and praying are Bible-based disciplines that are appropriate for all believers of all ages throughout all centuries in all parts of the world.

Petrovi Post is light and short and has a special tribute to the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul.



PATRON SAINTS DAY CELEBRATIONS

MAY 11, 2011 – HOLY LITURGY



Come and join us for the Holy Liturgy in honor of our Patrons – the Holy Brothers Cyril and Methody.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2011
10:00 A.M.

The Service will be conducted by the priests from all Macedono-Bulgarian Orthodox Churches in Toronto and Bulgarian Orthodox Church “St. Dimitar” in Brampton.

Roasted Lamb and Kurban will be served after the Liturgy in the Banquet Hall.

MAY 22, 2011 – PATRON SAINTS DAY BANQUET



Come and celebrate with us the day of our Patrons
Sts. Cyril & Methody

SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2011

HOLY LITURGY – 10:00 A.M.

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TRADITIONAL BANQUET TO FOLLOW

ADMISSION - 20.00 PER PERSON, INCLUDING LUNCH
(Salad, chicken breast with roasted potatoes, glass of wine & dessert)

CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS – FREE

IN THE PROGRAM:

OFFICIAL CEREMONY
SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFORMANCE
CHILDREN GROUP “BULGARCHE”
DANCING GROUP “IGRANKA”

FOR TICKETS AND MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE:

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MEMBERSHIP'2011 REMAINDER

This is for all church members, who have not paid their membership dues for the year 2011.

The membership due is 50.00 per year and can be paid by cheque, sent to the church or by cheque and cash paid at the pangar during Church Services.