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Church Services: Saturday-6:00 PM Vespers (Confessions available) Sunday-9:15 AM Orthros (Confessions available) 10:30 AM Divine Liturgy (Coffee Hour following)

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H & S Archimandrite Joseph Francavilla - Fernande

H & S Samuel Sawaya - Family

H & S Elsie & Elizabeth Ashooh - Family

H & S John Brumley – Deacon Joseph Olt & Family

H & S Bernadette Witte – Deacon Joseph Olt & Family

H & S Elias Dorham - Family

H & S Anna Jolma - Family

- + William Timpanaro MEMORIAL 40-Day-Family
- + Frederick Asher **MEMORIAL 1-year** Kanakry Family
- + Anne Gallagher Family
- + Antoinette Fakhouri Family
- + Caynaan Saah Family
- + Laurice Jagganathan Family
- + Reema Samaha Family
- + Mona Samman George Samman & Family

SUNDAY SCHOOL Today is Open House. This is your chance to visit our classes to see what we are learning and what we are doing. Please stop in to meet the teachers and to meet the students.

TODAY is also our Annual Bake Sale, which will take place after the Divine Liturgy - don't make dessert for your family - BUY your dessert. As you know if you have supported us in the past, and thank you for that, the offerings are better than delicious and helps us and gives you a break. We will be looking to serve you after the Divine Liturgy.

| Schedule at a Glance | |
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| Sunday, Oct. 21 | Sunday School Open House/Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM |
| Saturday, Oct. 27 | Vespers, 6:00 PM |
| Sunday, Oct. 28 | Sunday School/Orthros, 9:15 AM Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM Sunday School Bake Sale |

THERE WILL BE a second collection TODAY for World Missions.

LADIES GUILD OCTOBER MEETING: Sunday, October 28th at 12:30 PM (meeting room TBD). We extend a warm invitation to all women of the church to join us!

JOIN THE LADIES GUILD! In the tradition of the Holy Myrrh Bearers, the Ladies Guild is a group of women following Jesus Christ and ministering to Him -- by caring for the sick, assisting new mothers, supporting our clergy, decorating the church, strengthening the faith of our members, and more! Interested in getting more involved with the church, and getting to know your sisters in Christ? Our Fall Membership Drive has now ended. However, you can join the Ladies Guild any time during the year by emailing Emi Burke at emikaburke@gmail.com.

THE LADIES GUILD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS ARABIC SWEETS SALE is now underway. These sweets make wonderful gifts! (All of the delicious Arabic sweets that we offer for sale are prepared in our church kitchen using traditional recipes. We use only the best ingredients and take the greatest care to create "treats" that are not only a joy to taste but also beautiful to look at.). Place your order at the Sweets Table in the Church Hall on all Sundays in October until the 10/28 deadline (or by mail via a downloadable form available at the following URL:

https://sites.google.com/site/arabicsweetsofvirginia

Sweets Delivery Days are Sat., Dec. 1 and Sun., Dec. 2. For more information, contact Lani Kanakry at 703-200-6416 or kanakry@cox.net.

ARABIC SWEETS BAKING DAYS. Please join us to make the delicious sweets that we use to fill orders for our Sales. (No special skills are needed, and lunch is provided.) Sweets making starts at 9:30 AM every Thursday and most Saturdays in October and also every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday in November except Thanksgiving week. (There is also be a Friday in sweets-making October and two Sunday sessions.) Below is our schedule for October and early November. For more information or to volunteer to help, contact Lani Kanakry at 703-200-6415 or email her at kanakry@cox.net. You can also sign up to help at www.signupgenius.com/go/8050a4da5a62c7-arabic

- Sun., 10/21 (Coconut Makroons, starting at 12:15 PM)
- Thurs., 10/25 (Roses Birds Nests)
- Sat., 10/27 (Misc. Baklawa)
- Sun., 10/28 (Ghraybeh S's)
- Thurs., 11/1 (Anise Makroons)
- Fri., 11/2 (Barazek)
- Sat., 11/3 (Baklawa Triangles & Knafeh)

THE MELKITE MEN - Join us every first and third Saturday of the month at 6:00 PM for vespers, a bonfire, and beverages. Our next date is:

- 11/3
- 11/17

For more information, contact Chris Jolma at chris@mytruckbuddy.com

St. Gregory the Theologian Catechetical School Presents: "I BELIEVE IN ONE GOD" Our Faith Explained. The Church's universal mission is born from the command of Jesus Christ and is fulfilled in the

course of the centuries in the proclamation of the mystery of God. Join us as we learn about the fundamental contents of the profession of the Christian faith that we call: The Nicene Creed. All sessions will be held on the back patio after Sunday Divine Liturgy, beginning at 12:30 PM, following the schedule below. The first two sessions are listed below. Please bring a dish to share. All are welcome.

- 10/21 I BELIEVE: *Our Faith Explained* The Creed: Session #5 The Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, the Treasury of Blessings.
- 10/28 I BELIEVE: Our Faith Explained The Creed: Session #6 The Church and the Saints.

The St. Gregory the Theologian Catechetical School Presents The Ten Commandments: An Adult Sunday School Bible Study

The schedule of upcoming sessions are below:

- 10/21-28 Break
- 11/4 4th Commandment Honor your father and mother
- 11/11 5th Commandment You shall not kill

THE DEACON HELPER SCHEDULE through the end of November is as follows:

- 10/21 Joseph Chrusch
- 10/28 Thomas Severino
- 11/4 Corin Wehle
- 11/11 Jack Nicola
- 11/18 Kolbe Jolma
- 11/25 Dmitri Baron