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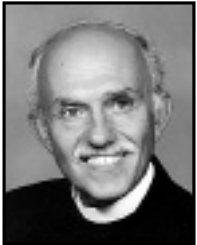
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From Father Bill



"Look carefully how you walk."

Ephesians 5:15

Whenever the time came for me to leave home and return to the seminary, my mother could be heard saying "Prosexe pou tha per-patas." Watch where you walk. That is wise advice for all of us. A voice at Midway Airport calls out to "keep walking, you are approaching the end of the walkway." I wonder if the person talking was acquainted with my mother.

There is something odd about walking. It is the first thing an infant wants to do and the last thing an old person wants to give up doing. In between, we travel on wheels and wings. Walking has become the step almost no one takes anymore, especially on the golf course, or when the car breaks down or there's a transit strike. In fact, until recent years, it has seemed almost shameful to walk. Have you ever arrived somewhere not by car, bus, subway or taxi but on your own two legs, and have people stare at you and exclaim, "Don't tell me you walked?"

Of late, happily, the joys of walking are being rediscovered. More and more people are putting their best foot forward and joining the Order of Walkers. Why?

We do it for exercise. Many who were once joggers realize the stress on the legs is really not beneficial to their health. The constant pounding on a hard surface does not benefit the body. In fact, new health issues may arise. For exercise, the body is built best for walking. Thomas Jefferson said, "Of all exercise walking is the best." It's the exercise that needs no gym.

Following my heart surgery, I entered into a rehabilitation program to strengthen the heart muscle. I found walking in Yorktown



Games for the children are always a highlight of the annual Holy Apostles picnic.

was ideal to achieve my goal. In fact, there were numerous benefits from my walking. First, Presvetera and I could engage in conversation. Second, I was able to meet several of our church members who had either met for morning coffee, or were doing the same thing I was doing.

I recall a story of a drug company executive who sounded so exuberant on the phone that his caller asked him what new pill he was taking. "No pill!" he answered. "I'm walking four miles to work and four miles home every day and I feel great!" As another regular walker said; "I have two doctors, my left leg and my right."

To reduce his weight, President Truman, who walked vigorously every morning at such a pace reporters could barely keep up, said, "People are not overweight, they are under walked."

Walking absorbs anxiety, and relieves stress... It takes one away from the telephone, and the radio, and TV that let in the stock market, politics, war and the madness of modern times.

As we turn the pages of the New Testament, we find Jesus walking from one city to the next, healing, teaching and encouraging. Jesus even walked on water and the

whole world has profited from the spiritual harvest of his walk with God. Walking jolts ideas and thoughts. When we are invited to a retreat, often the schedule allows time for walking, thinking and meditating.

So take a walk. It's an inexpensive exercise, yet the riches are in physical and spiritual dividends.

Not too long ago children would bid farewell to their mother and begin their walk to school. In those days, school buses were not available. I certainly have recollection of those days, and regret that our grandchildren will not experience those private and soul-searching moments. We select our homes within close proximity of our schools because parents are convinced a journey to school whether near or far, is not safe. Parents devote additional hours chauffeuring their children from one activity to another. When our immigrant parents chose neighborhoods in which to reside, they were concerned about the closeness of schools and the walk from their home to the church.

Going one step further, our text admonishes us to "Look carefully how you walk" (Eph. 5:15a). It refers, of course, to behavior, that is, one's conduct. Exalted spiritual awareness must not be regarded as a substitute for

...See Fr. Bill on P. 6

From Father Nicholas



Living in eternal relationships

This summer our family has been converting childhood VCR

tapes to DVD. These tapes help us remember the wonderful times we have shared together. They also remind us that some of our loved ones are no longer here on this earth. Where are they? Will we see them again? What will our relationship be with them?

St. Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians, which is read during the Orthodox Christian funeral service, provides an answer. "But I do not want you to be ignorant brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus." So, our beloved, faithful ones are alive in Christ today.

What will our relationship be with them? Fr. George Florovsky wrote: "Earthly death, the separation of the soul from the body, does not destroy the relationship of the believer with the Church; it does not alienate from his familiar place and condition; it does not separate him from other co-members in Christ." Our loved ones in Heaven are concerned and still related to people living on the earth. The relationship started in this life extends into the next life. Love is eternal. Even though the earthly relationship between the living and those that have passed away is interrupted, love remains and endures forever.

Will we see our loved ones again? When the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Transfiguration of Christ, we read in the Gospel of Luke that the three living disciples recognized Moses and Elijah talking to the Lord. In the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, the rich man recognized both Abraham and Lazarus beyond the grave. We will recognize our relatives and friends who have fallen asleep and are close to the Lord. Faithful spouses will meet. There the loving embrace of a pious mother with her children will take place. St. Gregory of Nyssa observes: "the life of Heavenly nature is one of love."

Our heavenly relationships will be different than the ones we shared on earth. We will be united through holy love. This love is not based on feelings and emotions. It will be above the love we shared while on earth, purely spiritual and based in the love of the Lord. In Heaven, carnal relationships, fleshly bonds, and worldly associations will not exist. This spiritual love will not depend on bonds of kinship that are shared between spouses or par-

Holy Apostles invites all Junior and Senior GOYANS to a special evening

"Come to Me, all who are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Tuesday, September 8 at 7:30pm

With refreshments at 7:00pm

**Sister Magdalen, an Orthodox nun from Essex, England and author of
Children in the Church Today, will be discussing the challenges that
teenagers face today in living the Christian life.**

ents and children. Couples and families will not spend exclusive time together. Instead, they will be in the continual presence of God and the Saints, praising and worshipping Him together. New bonds that are indestructible and eternal will unite everyone with each other and the Holy Trinity. St. John of Damascus states "let no one think that in that fearful assembly there will be no recognition of one from another. Yes, indeed each one will recognize his neighbor not from the shape of his body, but through insightful vision of the soul." The Gospel of Matthew states, "in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels of God in Heaven." (Matthew 22:30) St. Athanasios, commenting on this passage, states that "all the forms, signs and marks of the physical body, which are familiar to us here on earth, will be gone in Heaven." Just like angels have one image and shape, resurrected souls in Heaven will share the same nature through incorruption. St. John Chrysostom expounds on this and states "we will not only recognize those known to us here but also those we never saw before." On the other hand, those that did not make it to Heaven, according to St. Athanasios, will not recognize each other.

Losing a spouse or loved one is very diffi-

cult. What should we do? St. Basil wrote an insightful letter to a young, grieving widow offering advice. He asked, "What if someone promised to make your husband king over all the earth and asked you to go away for twenty years? They promised to restore him to you with crown and purple and place you in the same rank with him? Would you meekly endure the temporary separation? Would you consider this a gift worthy of prayer?" He suggests submitting, not for the kingdom on earth but a kingdom in Heaven. Submit not to receive him back clothed in gold but robed in immortality and glory fitting for them that dwell in Heaven. He states love "embraces, unites and fastens together not only those who are present and near and visible but also those who are far distant. Neither length of time, nor separation in space, nor anything else of that kind can break up in pieces the affection of the soul." He concludes with this great advice for all of us who have lost loved ones. "If you wish to behold your spouse (or loved one) face to face, manifest a holy life like his. Then, assuredly, you shall depart one day to join the same company with him. Not to dwell with him for five years as you did here, but for infinite and endless ages."

Choir events coming this fall

Senior Choir Plans Reunion Sunday

On Sunday, September 20, the choir is inviting its former members to join them in the choir loft to worship and sing for the Divine Liturgy in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the church. A special memorial will be offered in memory of the souls of departed choir members. The choir is asking your help in compiling a list of names of those who at one time sang with the choir and have since passed away. Please email Nick with the names and year they passed. The choir will host the Fellowship Hour.

HA choir concert

The choir is also planning a concert Sunday, October 11 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Holy Apostles.

With the help of the Sunday School, Youth Choir and Greek School, a musical performance will follow a sumptuous luncheon in the multi-purpose room for your entertainment immediately after the Divine Liturgy. Reservations for lunch will be taken beginning September 6. For more info on either event, please contact Nick Paloumpis, director, at holyapostleschoir2009@yahoo.com

What does it mean to belong to Holy Apostles?

By Kiki Liston

We will soon celebrate a wonderful milestone of 50 years as a parish. Whether you are a new member, or one of its founding members, you will most likely agree that our parish is unique, exceptional and special in many ways. From the well-organized and superior ministries to the outstanding leadership and friendly parishioners, Holy Apostles offers a true spiritual experience of our Orthodox faith.

I believe that lifelong members are accustomed to the spiritual nourishment provided by Holy Apostles, but the transplants are exceedingly aware of the distinctive nature of our parish.

Larry and Maria Pavlou, from Houston, Texas, are two people who feel the distinctiveness of our parish. After traveling the country for the purpose of work, they have experienced over 100 Greek Orthodox churches and say that Holy Apostles is "unparalleled in liturgical worship."

As Larry and his wife Maria were preparing to leave Houston and select a city in which to raise their children. The couple took several things into consideration, primarily proximity of family and integrity of church life.

While doing so, all indicators pointed to Holy Apostles. While in Houston, Maria was a fan of AMNOS, a Holy Apostles outreach

ministry, which is distributed nationwide. She had also spoken with a parishioner there who came from Illinois and raved about Father Bill and his sermons.

The Pavlou's first visit to Holy Apostles 'blew Larry away.' Larry, Maria and their two children Melanie, 13, and Spiro, 11, decided to join. That was in 2006.

Adventure Theatre was their first icebreaker, which made them feel quite welcome. Barbara Pappas' Bible Study is another ministry that has Larry eager to learn and be spiritually fulfilled. Larry says that Barbara is a "Bright Star" of Holy Apostles.

Larry and Maria say the wonderful things about Holy Apostles include the its spirituality, the preparation of the priests, the choir, the acolytes, and the entire atmosphere, which lends itself to dynamic worship.

Overall, the Pavlous are particularly grateful for Holy Apostles' tremendous leadership beginning with Father Bill and his wisdom, Father Nicholas' living example of humility, and the talents of theologian Perry Hamalis. All deliver consistent and moving Christian messages from the pulpit.

I must say, I am in agreement with the Pavlous 100 percent. My husband Brian and I came to Holy Apostles in 1993. We feel enormously blessed to belong to a church where the people live the message that Father

Bill and Father Nicolas teach from their heart and soul.

"I can do all things through Christ which strengthened me." (Phil 4:13) Father Bill and Father Nicholas are truly our role models, and encourage us to steadily strengthen our relationship with our dear Lord. Isn't that the goal of Christians? Holy Apostles is a church that welcomes, loves and teaches the faith like no other.

My husband and I have celebrated some of our most important milestones at Holy Apostles. Our children, Kathryn, 13, Patricia, 11, Sophia, 9, and Jimmy, 5, have had their forty-day blessings and baptisms here. We attend a place of worship that we feel is our home. To say that we feel comfort, hope and a consistently increasing faith is an understatement.

Easter, Christmas and Sundays are simply heavenly at Holy Apostles. We have never been to more uplifting Holy Week Services than at Holy Apostles. Bible Study with Barbara Pappas is like climbing the ladder to heaven. What can we say except that Holy Apostles is the place we go to receive spiritual sustenance, and aid us in living a more meaningful life.

If you ask the Liston family what it means to belong to Holy Apostles, we say, "It's our ethos!"

Registry

Baptisms

Gavin, Son of
Mimi & Ray Schmitz
Sponsor: Effie O'Connell

Cole, Son of
Erin & Stephen Perakis
Sponsor: Leia Gertos

Weddings

None

Big events in the fall for Philoptochos

Fashion Show

Save the date for Holy Apostles' annual luncheon fashion show that will be held at the newly remodeled Carlisle in Lombard on October 17. The theme is *A SCENTimental Journey, Celebrating 50 Years*. Proceeds will benefit Child's Voice, a non-public oral deaf school for hearing impaired children, and the Father William S. Chiganos Scholarship Fund for the Holy Cross School of Theology in MA.

Reservations will be accepted Saturday, September 12 in person at Holy Apostles from 10-11 am.

Starting September 13, reservations can be

made by calling Anthoula Pomrening at (708) 588-0258.

Membership Night at Drury Lane A Road Trip Down Memory Lane

Take a road trip with Philoptochos on Monday, September 28 at 7:00 at Drury Lane.

We'll cruise down Memory Lane as we reminisce on the past 50 years of Holy Apostles Philoptochos. Join us on Historic Route "Holy Apostles Philoptochos 50." Our trip will make stops along the route, filled with excitement and fun, remembering the great ladies that brought us here today, and looking forward to roads we plan to travel.

Mr. D says thanks for 30 awesome years at Holy Apostles

On September 23, by the grace of God, I shall celebrate my 30th anniversary of service as Pastoral Assistant to you, the greatest friends, students, supporters, and guardian angels anyone could ask for.

Despite the fact that I graduated from the School of Theology of the University of Athens in 1966, which qualified me to teach religion in the Greek Orthodox Church, my repeated attempts to secure a permanent position as a religion teacher, especially of chil-

dren, were for the most part rejected, not only because I wasn't ordained, but because I was also blind. However, in September 1979, Father Bill Chiganos, Sam Gordon, president of the parish council at that time, and the other council members hired me despite these perceived drawbacks.

Most people with disabilities, when seeking employment, do not expect guarantees, but ask for an opportunity to show what they can do. If they succeed, well and good. But if they

fail, they could say that they were at least given the chance to try. You gave me that chance, for which I shall be forever grateful.

I want to thank you all for the Christian love and friendship you have shown to my family and me over these 30 exciting and spiritually rewarding years, and for helping to preserve my dignity as a human being.

I love you all lots and lots and triple lots.



The Philoptochos Committee organized the special marriage celebration day and reception.

A legacy of marriages at Holy Apostles celebrated on special day

By Kiki Liston

Holy Apostles united couples, families and individuals during the Celebration of Marriage on Sunday, July 12. The milestone observance was refreshing and uplifting, simultaneously energizing the love that led many of us to our wedding day. At least those are the feelings that came over me during the event organized to honor the sacrament of marriage and couples who have wed at Holy Apostles during the past 50 years. The time and talents of Father Bill and many parishioners were put to use resulting in a morning of hope, love and enlightenment.



“Marriage is so important,” Father Bill said, “that it was the forum where the first miracle was performed as Jesus turned the water into wine during the Marriage of Cana.” The

theme of the day, “And The Good Wine Is Yet To Come,” shed new light on what it means to be blessed in the sacrament of marriage. Father Bill continued that the “man and wife of a home are the glue that keeps the family together. It’s important to hold on to your marriage during these modern times.”

Immediately after the Liturgy, couples were asked to hold hands and partake in a special wedding prayer, which illuminated the entire congregation.



Father Bill reads the prayer of dedication and renewal of love. With him are Presvytera Effie and Father Costa Efstathiu and his Presvytera visiting from California. He and Father Bill were classmates at the seminary.

Coincidentally, the date on which the celebration took place was the same day in which the first sacrament took place when our parish began half a century ago in 1959.

After the service, festivities continued with a uniquely magnificent reception. When we entered the church hall, all eyes were fixed on the wedding cake, elegantly baked and decorated by Angelo Tolios and Joan Berg. The white cake, standing four feet high, and beautifully adorned with yellow roses and other flowers, was only outdone by its delicious taste. The ‘icing on the cake’ was the display of numerous sentimental and lovely wedding pictures of people married at Holy Apostles during the past 50 years. Truly, the morning symbolized the splendor of marriage, and those present were reminded to revere the sacrament at all times.

Celebration of Marriage Day was one of many events planned this year to highlight our 50 year milestone.



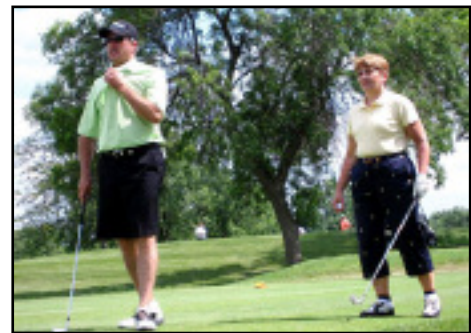


Great food above, followed the Liturgy in the park's shelter, right.



Council members Nick Kirkeles, left, Tom Gregory, center, and George Chechopoulos flip the burgers.

Faith, Fun, and Golf What a summer!



Scott Gordon and his mother, Presvytera Nasia Gordon on the golf course.



Refreshments are served, left, while others putter around.

Ministry programs to resume in September

As the new church and school year approach, we are offering many opportunities for our children, young adults and families to learn and grow in their Orthodox Christian life and to make and nurture friendships. Following are some of the ministries that will be offered this year:

TOTS (ages 2 through 5) resumes Tuesday, September 22 at 10:00am. We will be introducing our youngest children to two topics: "Mary is Born" and "St. Helen finds the Holy Cross." The group utilizes fun,

interactive, hands-on activities for our children to learn about their Christian faith. Our group meets bi-monthly on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 – 11:15am. Please bring your children and join us for a fun-filled learning experience.

THE WAY (Kindergarten through 8th grade) resumes Monday, September 21 at 5:15pm. We share a meal together and then break into smaller discussion groups: Kindergarten; 1st and 2nd grades; 3rd and 4th grades; 5th and 6th grades; 7th and 8th

grades. The group discusses and learns about many different areas of our Orthodox Christian life. This is a great way to make friends and to grow together in Christ. The group meets bi-monthly on Monday evenings from 5:15–7:00pm. Please join us.

The Jr. GOYA pilot program, for incoming 7th and 8th graders, was a huge success. This summer's events included bowling, miniature golf and a cookout. More than 20 kids attended each event. All of the kids enjoyed each

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Fr. Bill from P. 1

Reflecting on the walk of life

Christian behavior. Rather, it should prove to be the driving power, which produces, in a Christian, actions appropriate to his profession.

“Look carefully how you walk.” Be prudent in your conduct. This is noticed by Paul as the mark of the wiser person in contrast to the unwise one.

Remember the fable about the man who found a penny while out walking and spent the rest of his life searching the ground. At the end of his days, he had accumulated so many hundred coins, several thousand buttons, and

Christian fiction recommended by Mr. D

I highly recommend *The Galway Chronicles*, a series of books written by Bodie and Brock Thoene, a husband and wife team who are at the same time superb Christian authors.

The books in this series should be read in chronological order as follows: *Only the River Runs Free*; *Of Men and of Angels*; *Ashes of Remembrance*; and *All Rivers to the Sea*.

The story the books tell is set in the Ireland of the mid 1800s and relates the adventures of Joseph Connor Burke, who was deprived of his inheritance at the age of eight by a selfish, vindictive uncle. Joseph, believed to be dead, suddenly returns to the place of his birth as a young man in order to reclaim the large estate wrongly taken from him. However, despite his many trials, Joseph does not abandon his Christian principles.

Programs from P. 5

Summer Jr. Goya program to be continued into school year

others' company and we hope the group will grow during the school year. We are planning many more exciting activities for this fall. Our next gathering will be with GOYA on Tuesday, September 8 at 7pm at Holy Apostles. This is a great way to create friendships that will last a lifetime. If you wish to join, please email MariaAkallis@aol.com.

GOYA, 9th through 12th grade, resumes Tuesday, September 8 at 7:30pm. Sister Magdalen, an Orthodox nun, speaker and author from Essex, England, will be discussing her Christian faith journey and various areas that affect our youth. Please join us for this special evening with Sister Magdalen.

GOYA discusses relevant topics that affect the daily Christian lives of our teenagers. The group is a great place to meet other teenagers and to build relationships with them. Our group meets bi-monthly on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 – 9:00pm.

YAL, single people and married couples from 18 years old and up, typically meets the

a collection of pins, bolts, and other trivial things. That was it.

Religious folk can fall into such a trite walk through life, too. And just before they walk through the valley of the shadow of death, all they have to show for the journey is a nearly worthless collection of moralisms, and petrified principles. Our text says to look closely how we walk, but it also says to be filled with the Spirit and to be joyful.

As the mysterious voice says before you begin your walk on the moving sidewalk...” Keep walking, keep on walking.”

These books not only describe Joseph's efforts to regain the property rightfully his, but also his growing love for a 23-year-old widow named Kate, who not only bears scars of the heart, but physical scars resulting from a fire which killed her mother, her husband, and her infant child.

These excellently written books of historical fiction vividly describe a period when Ireland was under harsh British rule, and where day-by-day existence was often difficult for many. The books outline the Irish struggle for independence, in which Joseph Burke plays an active part.

These books are chock full of adventure, suspense, and humor, with moments of tragedy, some violence, heroism, and victory mixed in. I think you'll truly enjoy reading the four books of *The Galway Chronicles*.

first Friday of the month at 7:15pm. We have discussions that address current events and topics relevant to our daily Christian lives. The group also enjoys social events throughout the year. YAL is a wonderful place to make and build relationships while learning and growing in our Orthodox Christian faith.

Family Synaxis, married couples and families, typically meets monthly on Saturday evenings. We have the Vespers service followed by dinner and discussion. The themes focus on building relationships with our spouses and children as well as living our Christian faith in the home. Throughout the year, we also offer fun, social activities. We look forward to your family joining us at our next event.

Registration and information for these ministries will be available on Sunday, September 13 following the Divine Liturgy. Please register so that we can plan the year accordingly.

The HARC CORNER

Saved Through The Sacraments

By Father Evagoras Constantinides

Father Constantinides gives a clear, sharp, concise, and comprehensive look on the subject of the Seven Sacraments: Baptism, Chrismation, Holy Communion, Confession, Unction, Marriage, and Ordination. This handbook is so easy to understand, and introduces aspects of the sacred services seldom before explored.

Softbound, \$11.50

Beyond The Shattered Image Insights into an Orthodox Christian Ecological Worldview

By John Chryssavgis

The world is a sacrament – an icon. Chryssavgis emphasizes the Eastern Orthodox organic view of the relation of the world to God and how it relates to the critical environmental issues of the day. It is a spiritual resource that may be used to turn the heart back towards the Earth and towards the Creator.

Softbound, \$18

The Bible for Young People

By Zoe Kanavas

Illustrated by Christos Gousides
Here are beautifully illustrated Bible stories for young readers from both the Old and the New Testament. Translated from the Greek, the stories are theologically Orthodox! They are written in a fascinating style that will keep the interest of the very young and adults as well.

Hardbound, \$17.50

Serafina's Icons

By Leslie Donovan

Illustrated by Jerome Sanderson
Aimed at upper elementary grades and even adults, this is the story of a young girl in present-day Moscow. Serafina teaches her father, a priest, to set aside his fear and grief in order to serve Christ who is present in the poor. The father understands that his daughter has shown him another sort of icon.

Softbound, \$17

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27	28	29	30			

Memorials

*Demetra Booras
Stella Sigalos
Nicholas Patsavas
Julis Stavropoulos
Olga Soldatos
Helen Mehilos
Peter Yovan
Michael Pihos
Anastasia Mageras
Constantine Mageras
Marya Pihos
Peter Pihos
Dean Ganakos
Arthur Nicholas
James Kariotis
Gus Ardamis
Phillip Figaro
Mary Paras
Gregory Paras
John Angelacos
Lazaros Dali
Ann Kinna
John Kinna
Kay Sarantopoulos
Lynette Hoppe*

Weekday Services

Nativity of the Theotokos

Tuesday, September 8
8:00am Orthros
9:00am Divine Liturgy

Elevation of the Cross

Monday, September 14
8:00am Orthros
9:00am Divine Liturgy

Feast Day of Ss Sophia, Faith, Hope, & Agape

Thursday, September 17
8:00am Orthros
9:00am Divine Liturgy

Funerals

*John Angelacos
Phillip Figaro
Dean Ganakos
Arthur Nicholas
Cleo Louckes*

Wednesday Night Bible Study resumes

The Wednesday Night Bible Study led by Barbara Pappas will resume on October 7, and continue each Wednesday night through November 11. The topic this year will be The Bible in the Sacraments and the Sacraments in the Bible.

The Mysteries (Sacraments) of the Orthodox Church are outward signs of inner grace received from God; a bit of His energies, manifested in our lives for our salvation. We will look at the scriptural basis for these Mysteries, in the Old Testament and the New.

The first session on October 7 will center on Baptism as the only way into Christ and the eternal Communion of Love. The symbols, commitments and declarations of this great Mystery will also be discussed. This discussion group is open to everyone! For more info call Barbara Pappas (630)668-7771.

Mosaic Deadline

The deadline for the October Mosaic is Tuesday, September 8.

Postmaster: Please deliver by the 5th of September

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