

Post Construction Update. The following items were raised this week: 1. Matt Alexander of Kerns Group informed us that the construction close out has not taken place because a letter from the lender, that is, the Eparchy of Passaic, stating that the project is complete and there are no liens against the construction company, is needed. 2. Christine Uveges-Loya, Eikona Studios' iconographer will be coming to Epiphany of Our Lord next weekend, September 27th, with the outdoor Resurrection Icon, donated by the estate of Helen Uhrin.

Wedding Anniversary Celebration. Most Reverend Kurt Burnette, Bishop of Passaic, will celebrate a Divine Liturgy for married couples of the Middle States Syncellate celebrating their five year anniversaries (5th, 10th, 15th, etc.) at a Vigil Divine Liturgy, Saturday, November 14th here at Epiphany of our Lord. If you and your spouse are celebrating a five year anniversary of a valid marriage this year please call the Parish Office Monday through Friday between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM or send an email to epiphanyofourlord@verizon.net. Invitations will be mailed to each couple celebrating a five year anniversary. A response card will be included in the invitation. Please return the response card whether you are planning to attend or not.

Papal Tickets. The Archdiocese of New York has offered ten tickets to the Papal Mass at Madison Square Garden in New York, September 25th, to the Eparchy of Passaic to the four Byzantine Ruthenian parishes that come within the geographic boundaries of the Archdiocese. However, should tickets still be available from this promised allotment from New York, Bishop Kurt has asked us to canvas our parish this weekend and submit names of those interested to be placed on a wait-list. Should tickets become available you will be notified. We are to forward our list to the Chancery tomorrow morning, Monday, September 21st. If you are interested in attending the Papal Mass in New York, please sign up today in the Parish Office today. Leave your name, phone number and email address to make contacting you fast and easy.

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Meeting of Families. The World Meeting of Families 2015 will be held at the Philadelphia Convention Center and other locations in Philadelphia, PA this week, September 22-25.

Eparchial Family Days of Recollection are coming! The Eparchy invites **all parishioners** – singles, families, married and engaged couples, young adults and seniors – to participate in this continuing celebration of the World Meeting of Families. *Our Church, Our Family, Our Mission: Called to Love* will be held at 5 locations throughout the Eparchy. **All are welcome to attend at any of the host parish sites** for a day of talks for adults, age-appropriate activities for children and Byzanteens, and faith-sharing for all. The *Days* are FREE and include continental breakfast and lunch, but **registration is required**. Check with your parish and the Eastern Catholic Life for a brochure and registration form. You may also register using the parish sign-up sheet. Email Fr. Ed Cimbalá – FrEdStMary@aol.com – for more information. We all come from a family, and participate in family life in different ways. The Days of Recollection are an opportunity for each of us, as God's Family, to move closer to Christ, and each other! Don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/EparchyPassaicWMOF>

Come and See: Retreat of Discernment. WHAT: "Come and See" is a retreat weekend hosted by the Byzantine Catholic Seminary in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The retreat includes sharing liturgical services and meals with the Seminary community, an introduction to the Seminary formation program, a tour of the Seminary, gatherings with the seminarians, witness talks, and guided reflections on discernment - on how to listen to God's plans for your future and your happiness. **WHO:** Invited are men, ages 18 to 35, single or married, who may be considering a vocation to the priesthood in the Byzantine Catholic Church. It is important to note that the retreat is conducted in a "no pressure, no hard-sell" environment. The atmosphere is prayerful, positive, and fraternal. **WHEN:** Friday evening (5:00 PM), 16 October 2015 through Sunday afternoon (3:30 PM), 18 October 2015. Where: Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Saints Cyril and Methodius, 3605 Perrysville Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15214 Phone 412-321-8383. **TUITION:** Free! There is no charge for the retreat, meals, and lodging. **TRANSPORT:** Retreat participants are responsible for the arrangements of and expenses for their transportation to Pittsburgh. Eparchial Vocations Offices may have scholarships or grants available for travel to this event, so please inform your Vocations Director of your plans to attend. Vehicle transportation from the Pittsburgh airport or train and bus stations and back will be arranged as indicated on the registration form. *Airport or station arrivals should be by 3:30 PM on Friday, 16 October if possible. Departures are to be scheduled after 5:30 PM on Sunday, 18 October.* **REGISTRATION:** Please submit a completed registration form, available at your parish office, by mail or fax to: *Come and See Retreat*, c/o Byzantine Catholic Seminary, 3605 Perrysville Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15214 office@bcs.edu. Fax Number: 412-321-9936. You can also complete and submit an on-line form. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office. All registration forms must be sent in by 30 September 2015. An informational brochure is available in the church narthex.

Apostolic Visit of Pope Francis. Pope Francis will be in Washington, DC this week beginning Tuesday, September 22 when he arrives at 4:00 PM at Andrews AFB until Thursday, September 24 when he departs at 4:00 PM for New York City. During his visit to Washington the Holy Father will visit the White House, meet with the US Catholic Bishops at Saint Matthew Cathedral, and celebrate Holy Mass and canonize Blessed Junipero Serra at the Basilica of the National Shrine, all on Wednesday. Pope Francis will visit the Capitol and Congress, visit Saint Patrick Church and Catholic Charities and meet with homeless before he departs for New York City, all on Thursday. For more details, go to the web site of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops www.usccb.org. The papal visit can be viewed by Live Streaming at the USCCB web site, live television coverage broadcast by EWTN (check your local cable provider), and live streaming at www.walkwithfrancis.org. You may check www.wtop.com or your favorite news source for maps showing road closures and alternate routes in order to plan your commute. In order to plan where to see the Holy Father go to www.walkwithfrancis.org. Restrictions for what you may carry apply. Please remember that Mass and papal visits venues are by ticket only. For information about the visit of Pope Francis to the Basilica of the National Shrine and change of hours go to www.bnsic.org. The Mass and Canonization will be celebrated in Spanish with some Latin. To follow the Mass go to the web site of the Catholic University of America www.cua.edu. Click on *Pope at CUA*, then click on *Papal Mass* and then *Bilingual Mass Prayers*. By following the Spanish text the English translation is parallel to the Spanish.