

St. Vladimir Orthodox Church

A Parish of the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad

Ann Arbor, MI ~ Founded 1981

Very Rev. Fr.
Gregory Joyce,
Rector

April 27/May 10, 2013
Bright Friday

Mercurius Meyer,
Starosta

Dear Parish Family & Friends,

Molly (Sophia)
Martinchek, Treasurer

Christ is Risen!

Alexander
Alexandrov,
Secretary

Your help is greatly needed to make our 1st Annual Russian Festival a resounding success!

Zhanna (Ioanna)
Skalitzky, Head of the
Sisterhood

As many of you are aware, we have been planning for more than a year to reach out to the surrounding community to offer them a taste of our unique Orthodox culture, and at the same time invite them to join us in our spiritual journey. The dates of this grand festival, which will be held on our church grounds, are September 21st and 22nd, 2013. To be successful in such an important missionary undertaking we will need each and every parish family member to participate to the greatest extent possible! This means you! :) All are called upon to contribute their time and talent to make this missionary effort a success.

John Hill, Head of the
Brotherhood

Joanne Gabl,
Trustee

Dimitri Kashchenko,
Trustee

Dmitri Knysh,
Trustee

Mary Ann
McCulloch, Trustee

Konstantin
Poplavsky, Assistant
Starosta

It is not a mistake that we are using the word “missionary” to describe this effort. It is no doubt true that we will make some money for our parish with this festival, and that is not unimportant, but if we see this as the ultimate goal we are missing the point entirely. The Lord left His disciples with these words: “Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” (Matthew 28:19-20)

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St. Paul instructs us to emulate him in his evangelical efforts: “I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.” (I Corinthians 9:22)

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The Orthodox Faith is that faith delivered to the Apostles by our Savior for all humanity. Some are attracted by the hymns of the Church, others by the iconography of the Church, others through the theology of the Church, and still others in various other ways. It is our high calling to reach out to all – wherever we find them – and to invite them to the Heavenly banquet our Lord has prepared for the salvation of each and every one of His children. This festival has the potential to do just that – to reach out to many who have yet to be exposed to our Orthodox Faith so that they might know it, and hopefully so that they might join us in it.

WEB
www.stvladimiraami.
org

It is crucial that this first festival shows our parish family at its best – and to do that we need all our community to participate zealously!

There are many ways to volunteer. The attached sheet includes chairpersons for various stations and their phone numbers. Please contact them if you would like to help in any capacity or if you have any questions or ideas. The loan of traditional costumes and artifacts to create a truly festive atmosphere would also be greatly appreciated, as would any ideas you might have.

For those who are unable to help personally, we urge you to attend the festivities and support us by contributing towards the costs associated with organizing this festival/and/or towards our building/maintenance fund. If you own a business and would like to become a sponsor please let us know and you will be gratefully acknowledged in our festival brochure and otherwise.

So please mark your calendars, spread the word, and above all, be a part of this great event. Years from now people will ask how our annual festival started. Make sure that you can say when that conversation inevitably happens: "I was there the FIRST year, when we all pitched in and made it a huge success!"

Please join us!

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fr. Gregory".

Fr. Gregory

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karl Meyer".

Karl Meyer

St. Vladimir's Russian Festival 2013 Committees

Call for volunteers to help before and during the Festival

Bar/Refreshments



Organizing the Bar/Refreshments

Committee Chair – Yuliya Rodzianko

Need at least 6 volunteers

Yuliya Rodzianko
(440) 785-6131
yuliya.rodzianko@gmail.com

Mike Boyar
(734) 934-6337
mikeboyar@prodigy.net

Dessert



Baking for and selling dessert at the Festival

Committee Chair – Zhanna Skalitzky & Elizabeth Joyce

Need at least 15-20 volunteers

Zhanna Skalitzky
(734) 717-6814
zbukina@yahoo.com

Elizabeth Joyce
(734) 649-5745
lizjoyce@yahoo.com

Entertainment



Organizing the entertainment program

Committee Chair – Leta Nikulshina

Need at least 3 volunteers

Leta Nikulshina
(734) 272-3826
letanikulshina@gmail.com

Food



Contacting Russian Restaurants and Stores

Committee Chair – Zhanna Skalitzky & Snezhana Knysh

Need at least 4 volunteers

Zhanna Skalitzky
(734) 717-6814
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Snezhana Knysh
(734) 276-0107
snezhana10@gmail.com

Kids Corner



Games, crafts, hair braiding, ice-cream, cotton candy etc.

Committee Chair – Olga Obertas

Need at least 6 volunteers

Olga Obertas
(734) 272-9806
oobertas@umich.edu

Kiosk



Preparing and selling kiosk items at the Festival

Committee Chair – Albina Poplavsky

Need at least 4 volunteers

Albina Poplavsky
(734) 994-4087
kepoplavsky@yahoo.com

Maintenance/Preparation



General Set-Up and Tear Down, Parking etc.

Committee Chair – John Hill

Need at least 5 volunteers

John Hill
(734) 272-3814
johnwhill@hotmail.com

Marketing/Advertising



Flyers, Ads, Signs, Program etc.

Committee Chair – Yuliya Rodzianko

Need at least 5 volunteers

Yuliya Rodzianko
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Photo/Video



Pictures and videos of the festival for the church website

Committee Chair – Yuliya Paramonova

Need at least 5 volunteers

Yuliya Paramonova
(734) 730-2751
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Tickets Booth/Finances



Selling ticket / Accounting

Committee Chair – Molly Martinchek & Andrei Rodzianko

Need at least 4 volunteers

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