

Archimandrite Pitirim [Stehnach], 90, fell asleep in the Lord on the evening of Wednesday, July 10, 2019.

Archimandrite Pitirim was the parish priest of this parish from 1968 to September 14, 1976.

Archimandrite Pitirim Stehnach was born in Conemaugh, PA on August 15, 1928 to the late Michael and Mary [Glova] Stehnach, he was the sixth of nine children. He served for seven years in the US Navy and Marines, after which he attended Saint Vladimir’s Orthodox Theological Seminary, New York, NY. He was ordained to the diaconate by Archbishop Ireney on December 4, 1962, and to the priesthood by Archbishop Sylvester on April 27 of the following year. On October 14, 1966, he took monastic vows. He was elevated to the dignity of archimandrite on the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

Father Pitirim faithfully served parishes of the Orthodox Church in America for over 50 years in New York, Michigan, Pennsylvania, and Ohio. He also served as personal aide and driver for Archbishop Kyrill of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania for over 20 years. After retiring on his 85th birthday in 2013, he attended divine services at the Monastery of the Transfiguration, Ellwood City, PA and Saint Elias Parish as his health permitted.

He is survived by brothers Paul and Steven Stehnach and several nieces and nephews, as well as numerous spiritual children. He was greatly appreciated for his practical and loving spiritual guidance.

Sadly his younger brother, Nicholas, aged 88, died a few days before Fr. Pitirim on 7 July, 2019, and was buried in St. John the Baptist Parish cemetery Conemaugh, PA, where he was buried yesterday, the 13th. his obituary can be found here <https://www.hendersonfuneralhome.com/notices/Nicholas-Stehnach>

Visitation will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 14 at the Monastery of the Transfiguration, Ellwood City, PA. The Funeral for a Monastic will follow at 6:00 p.m. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, July 15, followed by interment in the monastery cemetery.

May Father Pitirim’s & brother’s memories be eternal!

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Apostle Aquila

1st Sunday Church Charities/ 2nd Sunday Building Fund/3rd Sunday for the food bank

Times of Services

Jul	14	Sun	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy
				Funeral arrangements for Fr. Pitirim (Stehnach) see page 4
	20			<i>Feast of Holy Prophet Elias</i>
	21	Sun	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy
				Blessing of the cars
	28	Sun	10:00 AM	Divine Liturgy

Sisterhood of the Altar Meeting

The sisterhood held a meeting on Sunday June 30, 2019, and passed a motion not to give provide mother's day or father's day presents as has been the practice in the past. Instead the moneys that would be spent will be donated to the church on those days.

Another meeting is to be scheduled in August.

The material for the new blue altar cloths will be arriving soon.

Thank you cards and letters

Thank you letters and or cards have been received from Ethan Daller and Samuel Enslin for the graduation gifts give to them by the church.

Also acknowledgements of gratitude have been received from the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for moneys donated to them from the charities fund, \$500.00, and as well as the 1st Sunday plate collection.

Letters were also received from the local Butler Meals on Wheels and the Homeless Vets for \$500.00 given to each from the charities fund.

July Birthdays

July	4	Marisa Campbell
	26	Andrew Skero
	31	Megan Milich

Grant, O Lord, a prosperous and peaceful life, health, safety and furtherance in all things, unto your servants and preserve them for many years.

Parish Council Meeting

This Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 6:30 PM will be a parish council meeting in the church hall.

Choir Loft Air Conditioning

The new air conditioning to the choir loft was completed last Wednesday, July 3, 2019, by Miller Maintenance HVAC LLC, Slippery Rock, PA. The total cost was \$5'280.00 and pictures of the work will be posted on our the church's face book account for viewing.

Church Air Conditioning

In addition they recharged the church's and the hall's condensers. Both were in need of freon.

Fr. Keith W. Lowe wants to thank Jeff Campbell for getting this done and for Eve Jean's assistance in make this to happen for our choir to ensure their comfort.

SS Peter & Paul Golf Scramble

The Ukrainian Golf Scramble will be held on August 17 at 10:00 AM, at Stoughton Acres Golf Course. The cost is \$55.00 and includes cart and green fees. For further information, please call Rose Raith at (724) 282 3191 or visit our web news page.

Bible Study or Adult Catechetical Class

Is any one interested in attending a church Bible study or a catechetical class. If so please advise Fr. Keith W. Lowe and when doing so give him an idea of a time and day that would be most convenient for you.

Both classes will be conducted by Father. The catechetical class will deal with the basics of our Orthodox faith. The Bible study will begin with who we are as Orthodox Christians and our relationship to the Bible which is important because while the Orthodox Church and the Divine Liturgy are scriptural based we are not sola scriptura. That is to say that we are just not Bible based but our traditions and beliefs also comes from the Fathers of the Church, i.e Holy Tradition.