



The Lighthouse July 2018

“I will build you a lighthouse from which
the light of Christ can shine.”



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Summer: enjoy every minute of it,
giving thanks to The Giver of all.
Remember wherever you are,

Sunday is the LORD’S DAY. If you are visiting a
church, bring back a picture to post in the Coffee
Hour Room.



July Detour at Christ the Savior:

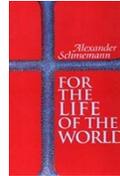
Please be aware during the month of
July a number of happenings will
require a modification, or detour from
our usual schedule. Reconstruction on the front
of the building is slated to begin around July 9.
Work on the parking lot and sidewalks will be
during the week days July 16 – 27. Because of
that, and the All American Council, there will not
be weekday services during the weeks of July 16-
20 and 23-27 and there will not be Wednesday
Evening Vespers during the month. Please
consult your daily Readings and Calendar to
check for Weekday Services. During this month
there will not be Monday morning classes.

19th All American Council: will
be in St. Louis, MO July 23 – 27.

Fr. Vladimir is the clergy delegate;
Deacon Gregory will serve as
Observer and M. Suzanne as Lay
Delegate. The AAC logo features a cross and the
Saint Louis’ iconic Gateway Arch. The theme of
the AAC is For the Life of the World. It is based
on the seminal book of the same name by the
late Protopresbyter Alexander Schmemmann,
which initially appeared in the 1960s and has
established itself as a “classic”.



I firmly believe that every Orthodox Christian
needs to have a copy that they highlight,
underline and grow with it. During the month of
July many of the quotes in our daily mailings will
be from this book.



In For the Life of the World, Fr. Alexander suggests an approach to
the world and life within it, which
stems from the liturgical experience
of the Orthodox Church. He
understands issues such as secularism and
Christian culture from the perspective of the
unbroken experience of the Church, as
revealed and communicated in her worship,
in her liturgy - the sacrament of the world,
the sacrament of the Kingdom.

**“The Church, if it is to be the Church, must be
the revelation of that divine Love which God
“poured out into our hearts.” Without this
love nothing is “valid” in the Church because
nothing is possible. The content of Christ’s
Eucharist is Love, and only through love can
we enter into it and be made its partakers.”**

– Alexander Schmemmann, *For the Life of the World*

**FOCUS North America, Backpacks For Kids In
Need!** This year we have partnered with FOCUS
(Fellowship of Orthodox Christians United to
Serve) by filling backpacks with school supplies
for children in our local community. Please
return the filled pack by the **July 8 deadline**.

**Your faithful Tithe to the Lord is most
important during the summer months.** The
life of the parish never takes a vacation.

**Cars, bikes, chariots and even skateboards
will be blessed on Sunday July 23,** the Sunday
after the feast of the Holy Prophet Elias who
went to heaven in a fiery chariot. Bring your
wheels and dedicate them to the Lord.

**New “Coffee Hour Rotation” is now posted on
the bulletin Board!** Please take a minute to
check when your family will be on Coffee Hour. It
is an approximate 11 month schedule. Thank you
for your faithfulness in serving your parish

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family. We are blessed to have such a generous and loving community.

2018 Vacation Church School at Three Saints: *Living a Virtuous Life in Christ*, July 9th - 13th, located at Three Saints Park: 112 Miller Road, Bethany, CT 06524. Ages 5 and up, Orthodox and nonorthodox children are welcome. Full information is on bulletin board .

PICNIC Christ the Savior Picnic 2018: On Sunday August 19, we will celebrate the feast of Christ the Savior followed by a picnic on the grounds. Paul and Kathy Williams have volunteered to coordinate it. Please see them with your thoughts and offers to help in any way you can.

We would like to reach out to as many neighbors, friends and former members as possible. Put on your thinking cap and write, call or send a pigeon to get the word out to some.

Summer Shopping? Remember those who rely on the Woodbury Food Bank for their needs. The shelves can be stocked with necessities if we help with our donations. Going on Vacation? Put a little extra in the Food Bank the week before as

you thank God for His blessings.

Diocese of New England RALLY 2018: Monday Aug. 13 – Sat. Aug 18. Rally is open to all who have completed the 5th grade and are not yet 18 years old. Full information is available on the bulletin board or online. July 16 is the **FIRM deadline** for applications.

Sunday November 11 is confirmed as the date for the annual “Pilgrimage in honor of St. Nektarios.” The Archbishop will be here for Vespers, procession and anointing at 4:00 PM. Mark your calendar and invite friends and relatives to come and be blessed by the feast.

God Grant you Many Years: All of our students and teachers as they go on to another year of growing in wisdom. **LeAnn Cassidy** who has been chosen as Connecticut History Teacher of the year and now will be considered for the National History Teacher of the year. **David Solek**, our faithful friend, who was accepted as a Catechumen on June 17.

The next Women’s Saturday Retreat is planned for September 8, The Feast of the Birth of the Theotokos. The morning will begin with Liturgy.