

Tuesday May 6, 2008

To: posibili membri

Re: Biserica Sf.Iosif din Maramures

HRISTOS A INVIAT! ADEVARAT A INVIAT!

Cu putin timp in urma ati primit din partea noastra o invitatie de a deveni membri al Bisericii Ortodoxe Sf. Iosif din Hazleton, PA.

Cu mare bucurie va informam ca am primit numeroase raspunsuri la aceasta invitatie de la persoane care contribuie acum cu drepturi depline la viata religioasa a parohiei si se bucura de toate avantajele oferite de Biserica Ortodoxa Sf. Iosif. Daca nu ati raspuns pana acum invitatiei, va incurajam cu caldura sa folositi aceasta ocazie sa deveniti membri ai Bisericii. Toate drepturile si privilegiile membrilor sunt covenient listate pe spatele acestei scrisori pentru buna dumneavoastra informare. Va rugam sa folositi aplicatia inclusa.

Va asteptam cu drag. Dumnezeu sa va binecuvinteze!

Consiliul Parohial

Biserica Sf. Iosif din Maramures

Hazleton, PA

Ca membri ai Bisericii Ortodoxe Romane Sf. Iosif din Maramures aveti dreptul si va puteti bucura de urmatoarele servicii si beneficii:

1. Toate rugaciunile si serviciile religioase oficiate la Sfanta Biserica in limba romana sau/ si in limba engleza: Sfanta Liturghie, Sfantul Maslu, Spovedanie, Impartasanie, Sfintirea Apei (Aghiazma), Botez, Cununie, Parastase, Rugaciuni de multumire si de lauda, etc; De asemenea membrii beneficiaza de Scoala Duminicala pentru educatia spirituala a copiilor oferita gratuit de Biserica in fiecare duminica.
2. Acces la serviciile preotului paroh ca de exemplu: predica, pregatirea duhovniceasca inainte si dupa Casnicie in probleme maritale; vizite, spovedanie, impartasanie si rugaciuni de sanatate facute la spital la patul celor bolnavi\*, vizite traditionale cu ocazia sarbatorilor de iarna – Craciun si Boboteaza\*.
3. Comunicarea tuturor serviciilor religioase oficiate si activitatilor culturale organizate la Biserica, precum si a hotararilor Consiliului Parohial\*\*.
4. Primirea Revistei Episcopiei Solia si Almanahului Solia gratuit; doua calendare ortodoxe gratuite; unul de perete si unul de buzunar (in valoare de \$10) in fiecare an.

5. Intaietate la rezervarea de locuri cu ocazia diferitelor evenimente culturale organizate la Biserica in Sala Sociala\*\*\*.
6. Dreptul la vot si dreptul de a fi votati in cadrul Adunarii Generale Parohiale a membrilor; dreptul de a candida pe lista propunerilor pentru Consiliul Parohial; de asemenea dreptul de a primi un raport financiar si de activitate amanuntit, in scris, in cadrul aceleiasi Adunari Generale.
7. Dreptul la oficierea unui Parastas de pomenire gratuit in fiecare an\*\*\*\* (in valoare de \$30).
8. Dreptul la taxe reduse pentru diverse servicii (Botez, Cununie, Parastase) precum si favorizarea la inchirierea Salii Sociale a Bisericii cu diferite ocazii.

Daca acceptati invitatia noastra va rugam sa completati formularul alaturat si sa-l returnati in plicul autoadresat.

### **VA ASTEPTAM CU DRAG!**

Note explicative:

\* - vizita preotului la spital sau acasa la credincios este facuta daca preotul este informat si solicitat de familie sau rude apropiate pentru aceste servicii religioase.

\*\* - comunicarea informatiilor se face de obicei in scris la adresa pe care membrii o comunica in aplicatia de membra. Este responsabilitatea fiecarui membru sa informeze Consiliul Parohial de schimbarea adresei personale si/sau sa tina adresa personala curenta. Comunicarea se poate face si electronic, prin email, in aceleasi conditii de mai sus; serviciile religioase si activitatile culturale sunt postate si pe pagina de internet a Bisericii la adresa [www.RomanianFaith.org](http://www.RomanianFaith.org).

\*\*\* - intaietatea de rezervare a membrilor este onorata numai daca participarea membrilor este confirmata telefonic la numarul de telefon 570-454-7224.

\*\*\*\* - oficierea gratuita a Parastasului este oferita astfel: a) pentru un singur membru o singura data pe an, daca nu sunt alti membri in familie; sau b) pentru o singura familie, o data pe an, daca familia are mai mult de 1 membru in buna regula la Biserica Sf.Iosif.

Membria pentru anul 2008 este de \$100 de persoana, \$80 de persoana pentru pensionari.

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To: possible members

Re: St. Joseph's Church Membership

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

Not long ago you received from us a membership invitation to St. Joseph Orthodox Church in Hazleton, PA.

We are happy to inform you that we have received numerous replies to this invitation from people who now enjoy all the membership advantages and fully contribute to the spiritual life offered by St. Joseph's Orthodox Church. If you did not apply yet, we would like to warmly encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity to become a church member. For your information, all the membership's privileges and rights are conveniently listed on the back. Please use the enclosed application. We are looking forward to see you in the church.

God bless you!

Parish Council  
St. Joseph's Orthodox Church  
Hazleton, PA

As members of St. Joseph Romanian Orthodox Church you have the right to enjoy the following benefits:

1. All prayers and religious services officiated in the church in English or/and in Romanian: the Liturgy, Holy Unction, Confession, Communion, Blessing of Water, Baptism, Marriage, Commemorations, Thanksgiving services etc; Also church members benefit from the Sunday School and spiritual education of children offered free of charge every Sunday.
2. Access to the priest' services like: sermon, spiritual counseling before and after marriage; visits, confessions, communion and healing prayers done at the hospital when

needed\*; pastoral visits done according to the winter feasts tradition – Christmas and Theophany \*.

3. Open information about all religious services officiated and all cultural events organized in the Church, and information about the Parish Council decisions\*\*.
4. Free Solia magazine and free Solia Almanac; two orthodox calendars (wall and pocket calendar – a \$10 value) every year free of charge.
5. Privileged reservation to all cultural events organized in the Social Hall at Church \*\*\*.
6. The right to vote and to be elected at General Member Assembly; the right to candidate on the Parish Council slate; the right to receive a complete and detailed activity and financial written report at the General Member Assembly.
7. One free Commemoration Service every year (a \$30 value) \*\*\*\*.
8. Reduced fees on various services (Baptism, Marriage, Commemorations), as well as the privilege to rent the Social Hall at preferential fees.

If you accept our invitation, please fill out the attached form and return it using the self addressed envelope.

### **WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO YOUR MEMBERSHIP!**

Explanatory Notes:

\* - priest visit at hospital is done if proper notice is given and upon family or relative request for specific religious services.

\*\* - all services and events information is being done in writing, by mail, using the mailing address in the membership application. It is each member's responsibility to inform the Parish Council about any change of address and to keep their address current. All information can and may be communicated via electronic mail, by following the above same guidelines. The religious services and cultural events are being posted on the church's website at [www.RomanianFaith.org](http://www.RomanianFaith.org).

\*\*\* - private reservation is being honored only if member participation is confirmed by phone at 570-454-7224.

\*\*\*\* - free Commemoration Service is offered as follows: a) to a single church member once per year if there are no more church members in the family; or b) to a family once per year, if that family has more than a church member in good standing.

Membership fee for the year 2008 is \$100 per person and \$80 per person for retired.