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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Christ is in our midst! You know, it's quite amazing (and mind-boggling!) to suddenly realize that my family and I have been here in Indy for almost 24 years, It will be 24 years at the end of this month, following 11 years in England, and 5 years before that in Germany. Over the past few days, while driving around Indy (usually for plumbing adventures), memories of people and places over those 24 years have been coming to mind. As I've mentioned before, August has always been a special time for me and for our family. Our twins were born on August 15th (the Dormition, New Calendar), we moved from England to Indy during that same time, my first plumbing job in Indy came through during that time, and the idea of my working with you wonderful folks of Holy Apostles was first put to me also during that special time. And that special time is the time of the Dormition Fast and Feast, both Old Calendar and New Calendar.

Many reasons to be especially mindful, in August, of our Most Holy Mother, the Theotokos. If you need help with a special project or problem, need fresh spiritual or other inspiration, this is the month to do it in. Yes, any time is a good time to ask Her for help. But when certain times in the liturgical cycle of the year especially stand out, with special blessings appearing at such time, it's good to pay attention, and respond accordingly. May this August be a very special time of blessings and spiritual renewal for each and all of you, through the special warm love and blessings of the Most Holy Theotokos! God bless!

Your Brother in Christ, Fr. John

NOTED DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR:

August 6 - Holy Transfiguration

August 15 - Dormition of the Theotokos

August 29 - Beheading of John the Baptist

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONGRATULATIONS: To Gus Karozos, on his 100th birthday! His family invites parish members to stop by to wish Gus a Happy 100th Birthday at the Greek Islands, located at 906 S. Meridian Street in Indianapolis, on Saturday, September 8th from 12-4pm.



CONGRATULATIONS: To Elia Pepps on the occasion of her engagement to Kyle Reif!



VOLUNTEERS: Volunteers are needed to provide pastries and to staff the OPA! House and the Irvington Fall Festival. The Irvington Fall Festival is Saturday, October 28th. The date of the OPA! House is still to be determined. Please contact someone on the Parish Council if you are able to assist.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: We would like to start Sunday School in September, but a teacher is needed. Materials and lessons can be provided.

Sincerest apologies for the lateness of this month's bulletin – some changes have been made to the process and I have been remiss in getting this out in a timely fashion. If you would like items included in future bulletins, please direct inquiries and announcements to holyapostlesindynewsletter@gmail.com

- George Chimples, PC Secretary