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**MYSTERY OF HOLY CONFESSION:** Before & after Saturday evening Vespers. Other Sacraments by appointment.

**GOING TO THE HOSPITAL?** Please notify Father when you are admitted if you want him to visit. Kindly notify Father also when you are discharged.

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**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018      DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM**  
**GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!      GLORY FOREVER!**  
**SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU!      SLAVA NA V'IKI!**

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST AND THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT:  
Antiphon "Bless the Lord, O my soul" on p. 8. The Beatitudes on pp. 14-15. Propers for Tone 3 on pp. 87-89.  
"Zastupnice" from the hand-out sheets. There will be Mirovanije (festive anointing) in honor of the Feast of the Entry of the Birthgiver of God into the Temple.

**EPISTLE: Colossians 1:12-18.      GOSPEL: Luke 13:10-17.**

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**SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES**

For the week of December 9:

**Sun., December 9:** (After Liturgy) Panachida in memory of +*Mick Kompier*. Requested by Phyllis Koval. Also in memory of +*Paul David Zavatsky*. Requested by the Zavatsky Family.

**Tues., December 11:** (6:30 PM) **Moleben** to Saint Nicholas of Myra, the patron saint of our church.

>>> Confessions from 5:30 PM til 6:15 PM and again after the Moleben service. <<<

Sat., December 15: (6:00 PM) **Great Vespers** for the *29<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*. Propers for Tone 4 and the Holy Prophet Sophonias.

>>> **Confessions** from 5:00 PM til 5:45 PM and again **after** the Vespers service. <<<

**Sunday, December 16**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

9:30 AM: **Preparation Prayers** for Holy Communion.

10:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy** for the *29<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*. Antiphon “*Bless the Lord, O my soul*” on p. 8. The Beatitudes on pp. 14-15. Propers for Tone 4 on pp. 90-92. “*Zastupnice*” from the hand-out sheets. **Saint Nicholas melodies** on pp. 124-125 may be used for the Cherubic Hymn & Communion Hymn.

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THE ETERNAL LAMP burns with prayers and best wishes for a **Happy Birthday** to **Laney J. Ross II**. Requested by *Laney & Cindi Ross*.

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THE LEFT SIDE ALTAR LAMPS (Prothesis) burn with prayers for **Laney & Anna Ross**. Requested by *Laney & Cindi Ross*.

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THE TETRAPOD LAMPS burn with prayers for **Special Intentions**. Requested by *Theresa Reese*.

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THE SWEARING-IN of Parish Council Officers and Trustees will take place at the end of the Divine Liturgy **TODAY**.

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OUR MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING will be held **TODAY** following the Coffee Hour.

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YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE will take place this **Tuesday, December 11**, after the Moleben. (*Approximately 7:00 PM*) **Material** for the **Saint Nicholas Program** will be practiced. All of our parish young people are invited and urged to participate.

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OUR BIBLE STUDY GROUP will meet *this coming* **Thursday, December 13** at **6:30 PM** in the church basement.

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CHURCH DECORATION DAY is scheduled for *next* **Saturday, December 15, 2018** at **9:00 AM**.

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CHILD COUNT. In preparation for Saint Nicholas’ visit *next* **Sunday, December 16**, we need to know the total number of children who will be present at the Saint Nicholas Dinner. Please give a child count to **Pan’i TODAY** of any extra children, and ages if possible, who will be visiting for the dinner.

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OUR ANNUAL SAINT NICHOLAS DINNER will be held *next* **Sunday, December 16, 2018**. Our church school students will present a short singing program. Saint Nicholas will visit with the children. Please stay and join us for this celebration!

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS. Time is passing quickly! Please take advantage soon of the extra opportunities to avail yourselves of the Sacrament of Holy Confession. All parishioners should be planning to go to Confession in preparation for the Feast of the Nativity of Christ. Please do not wait until the last minute to take care of this important spiritual matter. Christmas will be here before you know it, and the Confession lines will only get longer. The **best time** for Confession is still **BEFORE & AFTER Saturday evening Vespers**. Confessions for the elderly, for the infirm and for those who live at a great distance from the church can be arranged for **Sundays**. When the deacon door is OPEN, Father is available for Confession. Confessions can also be heard **before and after** scheduled weekday services. However, if you want to come **before** a service, please call Father and let him know your intentions. If you really can’t make it to Confession at the regularly scheduled times, please call for an appointment.

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**CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES.** Please use these envelopes, which were included with last week's bulletin, if you wish to donate a Christmas Flower (or Flowers) in memory of a departed loved one and/or with prayers for the health & salvation of the living. Names and donors will be published in the bulletin. Extra Flower Offering envelopes are available in the back of the church.

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2018 ECCLESIASTICAL WALL CALENDARS are available in the back of church. You can pick-up your calendars today!

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**THE ADVENT WREATH** service will continue to be held each Sunday of the Nativity Fast at **9:50 AM**. Our young people are invited to come up front and help light the candles; and we invite an older student to read a Scripture lesson. Those who wish to participate should be in church by **9:45 AM!**

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OUR A.C.R.Y. will be collecting monies for their **Stewardship Campaign** at the Saint Nicholas Dinner. Please support the National A.C.R.Y.'s various philanthropic ministries! (*See the hand-out for more info.*)

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**MARY ZUZAK** is now a resident in **Room C-2** at **Belmont Manor** in St. Clairsville. She would really appreciate a visit from some of our parishioners.

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THE GIFT SHOP has a number of books, icons and religious articles which would make excellent Christmas gifts. Christmas cards are also available. Please stop-by and have a look. Get your Christmas shopping off to a good start!

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**CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

**Saturday Vespers (12/1) — 7**

**Sunday Divine Liturgy (12/2) — 70**

**Entry of the Theotokos Vespers (12/3) — 22**

**Entry of the Theotokos Liturgy (12/4) — 10**

**Moleben to Saint Nectarios (12/6) — 9**

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**THE ANGELIC GREETING** (Hail Mary)

Hail, Mary, full of grace, O Virgin Birth-giver of God, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb, for you have given birth to Christ, the Savior and deliverer of our souls.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2018**

**Saturday, December 15** — Church Decorating Day.

**Sunday, December 16** — Saint Nicholas Dinner.

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