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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.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2017 DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM
GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!
SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA NA V'IKI!

THE SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS: Antiphon "Bless the Lord, O my soul" on p. 8. The Beatitudes on pp. 14-15. Tropar for Tone 3 on p. 87. Additional Tropar, Kondak and remaining Propers are from the Holy Fathers on pp. 129-130. The Cherubic Hymn and the Communion Hymn may be sung according to the "Divnaja Novina" melody on p. 134. **Father will be available for CONFESSIONS after the Divine Liturgy.**

EPISTLE: Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40. **GOSPEL:** Matthew 1:1-25.

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

For the week of January 1 :

Sun., January 1: (After Liturgy) **Panachida** in memory of +**Pam Moore**. Requested by Virginia Polinsky.

Tues., January 3: (6:30 PM) **Pre-Festive Service** for the Nativity. **Lighting of the Advent Wreath.**

>>> **Confessions** from 5:30 PM til 6:15 PM;
and again **after** the Service. **LAST CHANCE** <<<

CHRISTMAS EVE:
Friday, January 6

9:00 AM: **ROYAL HOURS** for the Feast of the Nativity.

7:30 PM: **Candlelight CHRISTMAS CAROLS** in English & Rusyn. **Children's Procession** and the **Lighting of the Advent Wreath.**

8:00 PM: **NATIVITY EVE VIGIL SERVICE.**

CHRISTMAS DAY:
Saturday, January 7

9:30 AM: Singing of **CHRISTMAS CAROLS** in English & Rusyn.

10:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy** for the **Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ** according to the Flesh (**Christmas**). Special Antiphons and All Propers can be found on pp. 132-135. There will be **Mirovanije** (festive anointing) at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

NO VESPERS.

**Sunday after the Nativity, January 8:
Commemoration of the Most Holy Birthgiver of God**

NO MATINS.

9:30 AM: Christmas Carols.

10:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy** for the *Sunday after the Nativity & Commemoration of the Most Holy Birthgiver of God*. Antiphons and Entrance Hymn are from Christmas on pp. 132-133. Remaining Propers from the Sunday after the Nativity can be found on pp. 138-139. The Cherubic Hymn and the Communion Hymn are sung according to the “*Divnaja Novina*” melody on p. 134. Glorification & Irmos are from Christmas on p. 135. There will be *Mirovanije* (festive anointing) today.

NO VESPERS.

**Monday, January 9:
Feast of Saint Stephen, the First Martyr**

9:30 AM: Christmas Carols.

10:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy** for the *Feast of Saint Stephen, the First-Martyr*. Antiphons are from Christmas on pp. 132-133. Remaining Propers can be found on pp. 137-138. There will be *Mirovanije* (festive anointing) today.

THE ETERNAL LAMP burns with prayers for **Laney & Anna Ross**. Requested by *Laney & Cindi Ross*.

THE LEFT SIDE ALTAR LAMPS (Prothesis) burn with prayers and best wishes for a *Happy Birthday* to **Chris Kovalcik**. With love from *Mom*.

THE RIGHT SIDE ALTAR LAMPS (Diakonikon) burn with prayers for the *Health & Salvation* of the **Polinsky Family**. Requested by *Elena Polinsky*.

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

BEST WISHES & PRAYERS for a *Happy, Healthy & Blessed New Year* to all of our parishioners, families and friends! May God shower His peace & choicest blessings upon you in this New Year.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES should be turned-in **TODAY** before you leave church.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION DAY is scheduled for **Monday, January 2, 2017 at 6:30 PM**.

YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE will be held *this Tuesday, January 3 at 7:00 PM*.

FASTING REGULATIONS. Christmas Eve, **Friday, January 6**, is a day of *STRICT FAST*. Following Christmas, there is **NO fasting** until **January 18**.

LUMINARIA HELPERS are invited to help prepare and set out the luminaria on *Christmas Eve*. This will take place on **Friday afternoon, January 6**. See **Pan’i** for details.

YOUTH PROCESSION ON CHRISTMAS EVE. We once again invite **ALL** of our parish young people to participate in a special procession from the back of the church to the Advent Wreath before the beginning of the Vigil Service on *Christmas Eve, Friday, January 6. Come by 7:45 PM*. If you would like to carry the Nativity Icon or the figurine of the Baby Jesus in the procession, please let **Pan’i** know.

THE **JANUARY** PARISH COUNCIL MEETING will be held on **Sunday, January 15, 2017**.

HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

5 Charissa Kovalcik * 7 Arleen Koval * 12 CiJi Hurley * 18 Barbara Strain * 20 Teresa Zitterich * 29 David Greene.

“May God grant you many more happy and blessed years! Mnohaja L’ita!”

2017 ECCLESIASTICAL WALL CALENDARS & CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES are still available in the **back** of the church. If there is no envelope box with your name on it, please see **Jim Turner**. We have enough boxes for everyone!

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Saturday Vespers (12/24) — 11
Sunday Divine Liturgy (12/25) — 57

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND that the *two days after* Christmas are *holy days*, which we continue to celebrate liturgically. **Divine Liturgy** will be celebrated each day at 10:00 AM. **Plan now to be in church!** In addition we should be aware that our celebration of the Nativity of Christ continues in our hearts and in our homes for a **full 12 days**. Celebrating the “**12 Days of Christmas**” helps us appreciate more fully the significance of the mystery of the Incarnation of God. “**God is with us!**”

ORDINATION PLANS. Following his ordination to the Holy Diaconate on Thanksgiving morning, **Joel Brady** is preparing to be ordained to the Holy Priesthood *next* Sunday morning, January 8, at St. Alexander Nevsky

Cathedral (OCA), Allison Park, Pittsburgh. He and Matushka Meg expect to be assigned to Holy Apostles Mission Church in Lansing, New York at the beginning of Lent. Prayers for his pastoral ministry are appreciated. Anyone who would like to attend the ordination can check with John and Marilyn Brady for more details.

+ + + PRAYER LIST + + +

December 2016

*Kindly remember in your prayers our parishioners and friends
who struggle with sickness, pain, hardship or any special need:*

Fr. Ted Shomsky * Fr. Frank Milanese * Fr. John Kopcha * Fr. Gregory Thompson * Fr. Ronald Hazuda * Fr. Donald Valasek * Fr. James Gleason * Fr. John Gido * Fr. Lawrence Barriger * Fr. Robert Lucas * Fr. John Zboyovski * Fr. John Baranik * Pan'i Peggy Teklinski * Pan'i Donna Smoley * Pan'i Lillian Hnatko * Sister Anastasia * Fr. Deacon Ed Brisbane * Subdeacon Constantin Ardeleanu and Family * Erin Susick & unborn child * Alexis Marovich * Peter Dimitriadis * Mary Zuzak * Julia DaRe * Judy Moore * Laney Ross * Madison Gabriel Street * Marge & Richard Kasper * Sandy & Billie Jo Fox * Timothy Simandl * Eugene & Adrian Andronic * Pat & Manuel Thomas * Barbara Strain * Chuck & Joyce Snider and Family * Judy Antonik * Amelia (Punkin) Karpinski * Arleen Koval * Mike Rose * Mary Jane Koprak * Helen Koprak * Marlene Bolon * Rosalie Troyanovich * Joyce Baker & Family * The Lazo Family * Alex Sombaty * Laney & Anna Ross * Alexandra Sedor * Mick & Janie Strain * Eric Kocsis * The Greene Family * Jim Koprak * George Marovich * Audrey & Andy Zavatsky * Debbie Strain * Tony Neuhart * Rich Kozak * Eleanor Dussling * Burl & Linda Matthews * Mary Kabel * Alberta Kabel * John Kelley * Jackie Hurley * David Gereg * The Stephens Family * Lou Nicklaus * Mark Magnone * Nicholas Marshall * The Wilson Family * Halley Russell * Katie Slavik * Cody St. John & Family * Geri Szymialis * Joseph Mlodzik * Craig & Jodie Tschappat * Payton Green * Emily Reilly * Rebecca Cain * Connie Gereg * Greg Saracco * Christy Drake * Teresa Bobbit * Roman Riselvato * Vic Marshall * The Boone Family * Linda Tennant * Dawn Kidd * Benjamin Ladich * Larry & Michelle Vuchelich and Sons * Christy Ray * Sandy Bauer * Danica Clement * Margie Shafer * Lori Crow * Melissa * Roger Lucas & Family * The Victor Rose Family * Bryant Lepic * Maddox Stillion * The Nardo Family * Karen Molnar * Janyce Duncan * David Blake * Louise Tamire * The Smutney Family * Jason Kordack * Scott Wheeler * Jenn Patterson * Jean Smith * Bob & Gayle Murphy * Roger Byard * Tammy Clary * Anna Fera * The McCammon Family * Erin Donato * The LaMotte Family * Ida Hilliard * Keith * Diana Tazar * Deanna & Tim Shea * Susan Wisvara Weir * Susan Rayle * Jacob Hoskinson * Bethany * Gary Slaid * Claudia Miller * Mary Lou Kidd * John Mouhlas * Kim Swiger * Virginia Wiggins * Eleanor LeMasters & Family * James Grady * Sarah, John & unborn child * Donna Holtus * The Pence Family * Tony & Teresa Markawas * The Conroy Family * Alexis McManus * Carly Carroll * Jan Dobbs * Gary Brent Dobbs * Robert Donaldson & Family * Mellissa Clegg * Lucas * Mikea * Leo & the Zambori Family * Nancy Rodocker * Dana Stanley * Sarah Carellas * Nichols Family * Lynette * Valerie Pickett * Gale & Dan Fincham * Frank Pierson * Michelle Mullen * Pat Brant * Maria Timkova * The Brown Family * Mark Costine * Flora Ross * Tina Curtis * Amy Draa.