



CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 21, 2008

27th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST (13th of Luke) — Tone 2. Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ.

Sunday Before the Nativity. Virgin Martyr Juliana of Nicomedia, and with her 500 men and 130 women. Repose of St. Peter, Metropolitan of Moscow and Wonderworker of All Russia. St. Juliana, Princess of Viaz'ma. Repose of Bl. Prokópii (Procopius) of Viátka, Fool-for-Christ. Martyr Themistocles of Myra in Lycia.

Epistle: Hebrews 11:9-10,17-23,32-40 **Gospel:** Matthew 1:1-25

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Dec 21, Sun: Adult Education Class — 8:30am; **Divine Liturgy — 9:30am**; Church School — 11am; Fellowship — 11:15am

*Hours Readers: Bill Kuchta (3rd) & Joseph Russian (6th) * Altar Servers: Team 1*

Dec 24, Wed: **Eve of Nativity** — Royal Hours — 9am; Vespers Divine Liturgy — 10:30am; Great Compline and Matins — 7:30pm

Dec 25, Thurs: **Nativity of Christ** — Divine Liturgy — 10am

Dec 26, Fri: **Synaxis of Theotokos** — Divine Liturgy — 9:30am; *Christmas Caroling* — 6pm

Dec 27, Sat: Vespers and Confession — 6pm

Dec 28, Sun: *Divine Liturgy — 9:30am*; No Church School Today; Fellowship — 11:15am; Parish Nativity Open House (Parish Hall) — 4pm. Free Meal — All Invited!

*Hours Readers: Nick Zuro (3rd) & Paul Miller (6th) * Altar Servers: Team 2*

Dec 29, Mon: Men's Club Meeting — 7:30pm

Dec 31, Wed: **New Year's Eve Vespers** — 7pm

Jan 1, Thurs: **Saint Basil/New Year's Day Divine Liturgy** — 9:30am

Jan 3, Sat: Vespers and Confession — 6pm

• **AncientFaithRadio.com** - 24 hour Orthodox Internet Radio

• **Orthodox Radio** on 720 AM Radio every Sunday at 8 am

Welcome to our visitors!!!

Please join us for fellowship in the Church Hall and be sure to sign our guest registry in the vestibule before you exit the church. **Please note:** Only those guests who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves through fasting, prayer, and confession may approach to receive the Eucharist.

Prayer List: Please remember the following persons during your daily morning and evening prayers. **Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless otherwise requested.** Submit names to the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

Those Ailing: Fr. Anthony Demetri (Dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral in Camp Hill); Betty Middlesworth; Nicholas Essis; David DiPetro (Yerke Family friend); Salwa Shunnara; Betty Pellegrini; Sue Mioff (Eli's wife); Jesse Heberle (Jean Dotsey's father); Ruth Mazurek (Moe's wife); Eileen Onufer; Fred Martin (Dave's brother); Dennis Finney (Christine Priggins husband); Richard Howe (Elizabeth's husband); Pauline Lapinsky (J. Kuzupas' sister); Christine Demchak (Suzanne's sister); Susan Strenski (J. Kuzupas' sister); John Fatich (J. Kuzupas' brother); Theodore Bacha (Lydia Mantle's brother); M. Olga Kovach.

Health and well-being of: Randy & Marci Thear and family (friends of the Mosser Family); Susie Frew (friend of Elanor & Kevin Herman & Family); Kenneth Davis (brother-in-law of W. Brown); Lily Newhouse (David and Katharine's daughter); M. Anna Vernak (and the child to be born of her); Alexei Schmidt ('adopted' Seminarian); Christina Semon (OCMC Missionary); Alicia & Susannah Reynolds; [IN IRAQ]: Nicholas Serio; Steven Hampson & John Zeiders (Krempasky's friends); Brandon Onufer (Evelyn's grandson); Rod Lancing (Yerke Family friend)

Newly Departed from This Life: Peter Zuzulock (Kathy Pankiw's father) - Dec 12; Rev. John Burkhart (John Schilling's Uncle) - Dec 8; Daniel Cain (Doug and Barbara's son) - Dec 6; Mark Essis - Nov 30; Colleen Shenk (Alice Mallick's stepmother) - Nov 27; Julian Dubiaha (Nadzia Schillings nephew) - Nov 25; Ira Lee Shenk (Alice Mallick's brother) - Nov 14; Ron Wilson (Kathy Kuchwara's friend); Evelyn Seitzinger (Ron Hancher's sister) - Nov 8; Mary Mischak Haduca (Dottie Sysak's aunt) - Nov 2; Stephen Polansky (Kuchta Family friend) - Nov 2; Nabiha Shunnara (Salwa's mother) - Oct 29.

Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life: Todorka Mioff, (mother of Eli Mioff) Dec 21 - 20th; Nadya Snow, (sister of Gloria Maliniak) Dec 21 - 7th; Peter Krempasky Jr. (George's brother) Dec 22 - 2nd; Sophia Smetanick, (mother of Vicki Henry) Dec 23 - 16th; Dorothy Whitesel, (aunt of John R. Barns) Dec 23 - 6th; Olga Evans, Dec 25 - 15th; Tsgay Andemichael (brother of Sebhatu Andemichael) - 4th.

Candle Offerings: *For information on how to purchase commemoration candles, please go to the candle desk or speak with one of the vestrymen.*

One Decorated candle is offered in memory of **Mary J. Hornack** by Evelyn J Onlifer.

Many Years: Names will be accepted for each week. Please submit to ctsocahbg@aol.com by the preceding Wednesday for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin.

Birthdays: Noelle Webb - Dec 24; Holly Webb Komoroski - Dec 26

Anniversaries:

LAST WEEK'S LITURGY ATTENDANCE: 171



TODAY'S NEWS

Church Christmas Tree: The children and young adults of our parish are invited to help decorate our Christmas Tree today following Liturgy. Please be sure to bring your children to participate in this annual event.

2009 Lectionary Calendars: The lectionary calendars for the coming year are now available in the vestibule. There are limited copies, so please take only one (1) per family. After the first of the year, if there are extra's, they will be made available.

Ride Request: Linda Kalenevitch (34 E. 2nd Street, Hummelstown) is in need of a ride to church. Please call her at 566-8641 to make arrangements. Thank you.

Schedule Change: Please note that **Vespers for St. Stephen on December 26th will be served at 5pm.** There will also be caroling the same evening, please meet in the church parking lot at 6pm.

Lichtenstein Family: The parish O-Club is once again coordinating an effort to fulfill the Christmas "Wish-List" of our adopted seminary family - the Lichtensteins (Mark, Suzanne and their 4 children). Please see the John Dotsey to see what the family still needs; cash or check donations will also be accepted. Please clearly mark an envelope "The Lichtenstein Family". The family will be visiting us on Sunday, December 28th and will participate in our Open House.

Nativity Cards created by Troika Cards (Ellen Miller) are now available from the **Sales Desk**. Many other items are available for your holiday gifting. The Orthodox Study Bible and Parish cookbook make excellent gifts. Please see the special display on stage in the church social hall.

Sign up for Nativity Decorated Candles for Nativity Eve (12/24) and Nativity Day (12/25). Reservations are taken on a first come first serve basis. Sign up sheet is available in the back of the Church.



OTHER NEWS

Fellowship Hour Schedule: Parishioners are asked to help by bringing at least 48 servings of baked goods and to serve them during their assigned fellowship hour. Please check the dates below and mark your calendar accordingly. ***The complete list through next May 2009 is available at the parish hall.*** If you will not be at church on your scheduled date contact **Nadzia Schilling** at 652-2759.

December 21:

December 28:

January 4:

Kathy Pankiw

Salwa Shunara

Libby Hancher

Elizabeth Howe

Larissa Shuga

Andrea Zart

- *Reminder Nativity Fast November 15th – December 24th (No Meat Products)*

72nd Annual Novogdny Ball sponsored by St. Stephen's OCF, Chapter #82 of the FOCA will take place on *Sunday, January 18, 2009* at the Radisson Hotel Philadelphia Northeast. Please contact Lisa Lelo at lmlelo@verizon.net or 215-248-0158 for complete information & required reservations.

PAN-ORTHODOX BIBLE STUDY is **postponed** (due to house-blessings) through the month of January and will resume on Thursday's at 7pm at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Camp Hill in February.

NATIVITY AND NEW YEARS SERVICE SCHEDULE

(Post on your refrigerator for quick reference)

CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

Royal Hours – 9 am

Vespers Divine Liturgy – 10:30 am

Great Compline & Matins – 7:30 pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

Divine Liturgy – 10 am

POST FEASTS [SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKOS AND ST. STEPHEN]

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26TH

Divine Liturgy – 9:30 am

(Synaxis of the Theotokos)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27TH

Divine Liturgy – 9:30 am

(St. Stephen, Proto-martyr)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28TH

Parish Christmas Open House – 4pm

CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD/ ST. BASIL'S DAY & CIVIL NEW-YEAR

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

Vespers – 7 pm

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1ST

Divine Liturgy – 9:30am

Note regarding Confessions: This is a time of the year that many who do not *regularly* receive the Eucharist come to the Chalice. Please be sure to prepare yourself through Prayer, Fasting and the Sacrament of Repentance. Confessions are heard on Saturday

Evenings following Vespers or by appointment.

Please call **Fr. Stephen** with any questions.