

CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you. Mark 5:19

SUNDAY JANUARY 3, 2016

31st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 6. Forefeast of the Theophany. Sunday before Theophany. Holy Prophet Malachi. Martyr Gordius at Caesarea in Cappadocia. Ven. Genevieve of Paris.

Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:5-8

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

- Jan 3, Sun:** SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY. *Hours -9:10am; Divine Liturgy -9:30am;* Church School & Fellowship –*following*
Readers: 3rd Hour: **Sophia Kellachow** · 6th Hour: **Vladimir Kellachow**
Epistle: **Chris Dupkanick** · *Post-Communion:* **Vladimir Kellachow**
- Jan 4, Mon:** **Royal Hours - 6:30pm;** Altar Guild Meeting - *following*
- Jan 5, Tue:** THEOPHANY EVE *Strict Fast.* **Vesperal Divine Liturgy -9:30am; Great Compline & Blessing of Water -6:30pm;** *Please bring a container to take home Blessed Water*
- Jan 6, Wed:** THEOPHANY. **Divine Liturgy -9:30am** *followed by potluck fellowship.* Bible Study (33 N 2nd St) –noon; **Vespers (St. John) -6:30pm;** Choir Rehearsal –*following*
- Jan 7, Thu:** SYNAXIS OF ST. JOHN. **Divine Liturgy -9:30am** *followed by potluck fellowship.*
- Jan 9, Sat:** **Ghebremichael Baptism at 10am;** Teen Event –TBD; **Vespers & Confession -5pm**
- Jan 10, Sun:** ST. GREGORY. **Hours -9:10am; Divine Liturgy -9:30am;** **Special Parish Meeting –following;** Church School & Fellowship –*following;* **Botros/Daoud Wedding at 2pm**
Readers: 3rd Hour: **Larry Smith** · 6th Hour: **Rdr. Matthew Lubecki**
Epistle: **Nicholas Zuro** · *Post-Communion:* **Rdr. Leo Leer**

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! Please join us for fellowship in the church hall following the service. If you are interested in becoming a part of our community please ask to speak to Fr. Stephen Vernak. Please note: Only those faithful who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves by fasting (*from all food and drink*), prayer, and recent confession; and who were present for the reading of the Epistle and Gospel, should approach to receive the Holy Eucharist.

PARISH PRAYER LIST:

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

AILING: PARISHIONERS: FAMILY & FRIENDS: Dolly Starinshak (sister-in-law of Libby); Karen Osuch (John's sister-in-law); Bionda, Vera, Vincent (family & friends of A. Levkovich); Richard Hamlet (friend of Larry Smith); Taras Bodnarczuk (friend of Victor Bucharew); Ron Hassinger (Buck Pankiw's friend); Irene (Tom Drobot's mother-in-law); Kathy Fedetz (Craig's wife); Ed Cales (friend of the Lopez's); Raymond & Evelyn Anderson, Paul Anderson (Debbie Hisiro's family); Gladys Barns (John's mother); child Tori Brackbill & parents; Jim Tessier (family of Gloria Maliniak); Luke Spaseff; Emily Campbell & Natalie Coles (Jerry's cousins); Michael Bertoldi (friend of Jean Dotsey); Diane Chambers (Anna Doray's family); Keturah Faust (J. Barns & L. Shuga's friend); John Fatich (Kuzupas family); Joseph & Steven Demchak, (Suzanne's brothers);

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: Victims of Terror, War, and Strife throughout the world. Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo held hostage by Syrian Terrorists; PARISHIONERS: George Krempasky; Adam Mallick; Jacob Keecheril; George (Leavitt) Keener; Joseph (Moe) Mazurek; Kathryn Kellachow; Andy Fedetz; Gloria Maliniak; Sue Wolfe; Ghebremichael Habtegeorghis; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas. **HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES:** Betty Danko; Nicholas Demopoulos (Sam's cousin); Nicholas Essis; Katharine Macut; Ann Pusey; Agnes Risser; Millicent Russell; Shirley Sass; **EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** M. Anastasia Hojnicky; Kyra Lentz; Elaine Wyborski ; Elizabeth (Alison) Latimer; Danielle Zuro and the children to be born of them; **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Yerusalem Arefe, Thomas Asfaha, Masha Cameron, Jessica Drobot, Matthew Hadginske, Shreya Jacob, Bahliby Kidane, Cathi Kemp; Christina Martin, Joseph McClure, Evan McGreevy, Alex Pankiw, DJ Pawlush, Molly Pylypciw, Sophia Ressetar, Jessica Shingara, Shane Staller **MILITARY:** Evangelos; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Thomas; Michael; PJ & Peter **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Roman, Connie, Liza, Tania, Lesia (family & friends of A. Levkovich); Jan Smith (Larry's wife); Johnny Cardona & Ali Martinez (family of the Lopez's); Walter & Gloria Onufrak; Nese Family (friends of the Zeppuhars); Willard Brown; Cindy Stewart (friend of Debbie Hisiro); Fr. David Shewczyk; M. Jennifer Franchak; Katie McGarrity (friend of the Lenker's & Zart's); Christine Eshelman (sister of Patty Taleff); William Schaeffer, Shirley Glade & Nancy Sheaffer (family & friends of John R Barns); Linda Shue (Sharon Shingara's mother); Nancy Coles (John & Chris' mother); Ben Morgan (Sally Marasco's son); Marie Cini; Christine Kihm, Charles Kline, Cecilia Hunt (Larry Smith's cousin); **SEMINARY FAMILY:** Joseph & Rachel Frangipani - **Anthony CATECHUMENS:** Matthew & Rachel Brubaker - Anastasia; Bette Keener; Timothy Monko; Ronald Miller

NEWLY DEPARTED: Kevin (Jen Firestine's uncle) – Dec 27; Jean Anderson (Aunt of Debbie Hisiro) –Dec 26; Ginger McNally (Fedetz family friend) – Dec 17; Christopher Burgan – Dec 16; Dorothy Zera –Dec 15; Natja Kessler – Dec 8; Vladimir Kantor (Bill's brother) – Dec 8; Theodore Harbilas –Nov 23;

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: Howard Holt, step-father of Joanne Wevodau, Jan 3 -1st; Marlene Demchak, Suzanne's sister-in-law, – Jan 4 – 8th; Eleanor Thomas, mother of Eleanor Herman, Jan 4 –12th; Agnes Gula, Pelegia Adams grandmother, Jan 4 -3rd; Watson Edward Ealy, Jan 5 -17th; Helen Zuzulock, mother of Kathleen Z. Pankiw, Jan 5 -16th; Vladimer Kellachow Jr., father of Kathryn & Vladimer, Jan 6 – 16th; Samuel Evans, Jan 6 -75th; Andrew Matyuf, brother of Dorothy Fedetz, Jan 6 -13th; John Popp, father of Janice Zuro & Garnice Leer, Jan 7 -11th; Tecla "Tessie" Kuchta, mother of Bill, Jan 7 -10th; Pelegia Szewczyk, mother of Anna Kuchta Jan 7 – 2nd; Brenda Hatrak, daughter-in-law of Fr. Michael Hatrak, Jan 8 -14th; Peter Maliniak, husband of Gloria, Jan 8 -28th; Olga A. Saakova, Jan 8 -21st; Gertrude Cicha, Nora Lubecki's Aunt, Jan 8 – 5th; Roman Wirhanowsky, Jan 9 -41st; Audrey Koszelok, Jan 9 -48th;

CANDLE OFFERINGS: To purchase commemoration candles, please go to the candle desk or speak with one of the vestrymen. Please note: offerings must be in the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

❖ Seven Day Votive is offered for the Memory of Vladimer Kellachow, Jr.

MANY YEARS: Please submit to office@ctshbq.org by the preceding Wednesday.

ANNIVERSARIES: George & Shirley Charlock –Jan 4

BIRTHDAYS: Basil Kuchta - Jan 7; Nicholas Hojnicky – Jan 7; Jacob Lentz - Jan 8; Ammanuel Gebremichael – Jan 8; Mark Rodak - Jan 9

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

WELCOME: Fr. Dn. Seraphim and M. Mary Reynolds from Holy Apostles Mission. May God grant you many both many years! Dn. Seraphim is assisting Fr. Dan today while Fr. Stephen is in NJ to celebrate his fathers retirement and last Sunday at Christ the Saviour in Paramus.

SPECIAL PARISH MEETING: Sunday, January 10th following Divine Liturgy. We are seeking approval for funds (\$9,300) to complete the parish hall porch brick work. **NOTE:** This project is included in our proposed 2016 Budget, but due to unforeseen circumstances, we are seeking approval *before* the Feb 21st Annual Meeting. See Fr. Stephen or a council member with questions.

Wedding Banns: Dr. George Botros & Ms. Wessam Daoud will partake in the Sacrament of Holy Marriage on **Sunday, January 10th**. The entire parish has been invited to the wedding; please see the sign up sheet in the candle stand if you wish to attend.

Note Regarding Weekday Fellowship's: Following weekday Liturgies the fellowships will be Pot-Luck. Please be sure to check if it is a fasting day, and bring something to share with your parish family! **NOTE:** This week we will have Liturgy on Tues, Jan 5th (fasting); Wed, Jan 6th (no fast); & Thur, Jan 7th (no fast).

8th Annual Pan-Orthodox Blessing of the Susquehanna River: Will be held on **Sunday, January 17th**. His Eminence, Archbishop MARK will be with our parish for **Divine Liturgy** at **9:30am** and there will be a Special Parish Luncheon (Soups & Subs, children under 12 FREE) following Liturgy. The **Great Blessing** will be at **2pm** at the City Island Park.

❖ A reception will follow at **Agia Sophia** along with the Soup/Chili "Cook-Off". **NOTE:** To enter a soup or chili in the contest email: cookoff@agiasophiaharrisburg.com

Parish Directory: The 2016 Draft Copy is in the vestibule, please review your information and either correct the copy or send the information to OFFICE@CTSHBG.org; and if you wish an updated picture, please send that in a JPEG format to the office email.

Parish Lending Library: Hundreds of books are available for borrowing. Please also remember to return the books within a month so others can enjoy! See **Cindy Shortall** (our librarian) with any questions.

Seven Day Votive: The 2016 Seven Day Votive candle request form is available in the vestibule. Candles are reserved on a first-come, first serve basis and they are \$10.00 each

St. Mary's Altar Guild Fellowship Hour Schedule: Parishioners are asked to help by bringing at least 48 servings of items, such as: soup, fresh fruit, vegetables, cheese, bagels or bread, baked goods and to serve them during their assigned fellowship hour. ***Please observe a "strict fast" (no meat or dairy products) during the fasting seasons.** If you are unable to be at church on your scheduled date contact **Nadzia Schilling** at 652-2759

Jan 10:	Samantha Lopez	Christine Lamb	Christine Tartemella
Jan 17:	<i>Parish Luncheon of Soup & Subs</i>		
Jan 24:	Maria Bucharew	Cathy Bucharew	Dottie Dimoff

LAST SATURDAY VESPERS: 23 • LAST SUNDAY LITURGY: 148

EVENTS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

Winter Dinner Dance: *St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church* is hosting a Winter Dinner Dance on **Saturday, Jan 23rd** doors open at 6pm, dinner is at 7pm and the dance is at 8pm. Dinner & Dance tickets are \$25 for ages 16 & above and \$10 for ages 6-15 and under age of 5 is Free. Dance only after 9pm is \$10 per person. RSVPs for the dinner & dance are due **January 20th**. For more information please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the hall or contact Popadija Andreja @ 717-939-0251 or Borjan at 717-333-6258.

AAA & The Hershey Bears: Buy one ticket, Get one Free for the hockey game on January 24th. Just show your AAA card and photo id

Panera Bread Pick-Up Volunteers: Saturday evenings between 10:15-10:30 at the **Hummelstown Panera** (1178 Mae St., Hershey Square). Please contact **Sophia Kellachow** at (jmkellachow@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining a rotation or have any questions.

Agia Sophia Coffeehouse & Bookstore Volunteers needed to cook (flexible hours) on Wednesday and Friday. Also needed are counter volunteers Wednesday mornings 8am to 1 pm. In house Training! Contact Joanne Wevodau at 717-580-4833 or jwevodau@verizon.net