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We are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. (2 Corinthians 5:20)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 4, 2016

24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 7. Glorification of Hieromartyr Protopresbyter Alexander (Hotovitzky). Greatmartyr Barbara and Martyr Juliana, at Heliopolis in Syria. Ven. John of Damascus. St. John, Bishop of Polybotum.

Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22

Gospel: Luke 17:12-19

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

- Dec 4, Sun:** **NEW HIEROMARTYR ALEXANDER. Hours -9:10am; Divine Liturgy -9:30am;** Church School & Fellowship –*following*. Orthodoxy 101- 12:35pm;
Ron Hancher, Sr: Viewing 5-8pm. Panakhida – 7pm.
Readers: 3rd Hour: **John Shingara** • 6th Hour: **Rdr. Matthew Lubecki**
Epistle: **Nicholas Zuro** • Post-Communion: **Janice Zuro**
- Dec 5, Mon:** **Ron Hancher, Sr: Viewing 9 – 10:30am. Funeral Service – 10:30am. Repast - following. Interment at 2pm.** Nut Roll Prep – TBD; **Vespers & Litya - 6:30pm (St. Nicholas)**
- Dec 6, Tue:** **ST. NICHOLAS THE WONDERWORKER. Divine Liturgy -9:30am; Pot luck – following;** Adult Ed Series "God is with Us" - 7pm
- Dec 7, Wed:** Nut Roll Baking -8am; Bible Study (33 N 2nd St) –noon; **Vespers & Confession -6:30pm;** Choir Rehearsal & Nut Roll clean up –*following*
- Dec 8, Thu:** Nut Roll Baking -8am; Nut Roll Clean up -6pm
- Dec 9, Fri:** **CONCEPTION OF THE THEOTOKOS.** Young Adult Dinner - 6pm @ Latimer's
- Dec 10, Sat:** Nativity Decorations -10am; Nativity Program Rehearsal – *see schedule inside;* **Vespers & Confession -5pm**
- Dec 11, Sun:** **HOLY FOREFATHERS. Hours -9:10am; Divine Liturgy -9:30am;** Church School Nativity Program & Fellowship –*following*
Readers: 3rd Hour: **Lydia Mantle** • 6th Hour: **Eleanor Herman**
Epistle: **Vladimir Kellachow** • Post-Communion: **Sophia Katerman**

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! Please join us for fellowship in the **parish hall** after the service. Interested in becoming a part of our community? Please ask to speak to Fr. Stephen Vernak.

Important Note Regarding Communion: 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 at least 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: Irene Popp (Janice Zuro & Garnice Leer's mother); Mary Frances McAndrews (Chet Lubecki's co-worker); Fern Staller (Scott's mother); Burl Hansbury (friend of the Cains); Patrick French (friend of Greg Rissetar); Ap. John Reeves; M. Mary Perez; James Schware (Jamie's father); Kim Long (friend of Larry Smith); Larry Mosser (Eric's father); Paul Miller, Lydia Klecor, Marilyn Schawk, (family & friends of the Kushlans); Martha Rapso (cousin of M. Theodora); Robert Rosso (nephew of Bill Kuchta); Marcia Brickner, Olga Zuzulock, & Ron Hassinger (family & friend of Kathy Pankiw); John Line, Sally Sauserman (family of Jean Dotsey); Annette Moyer, Gladys Barns, Jim Walters & David Roberts (family & friends of John R. Barns); Karen Osuch (John's sister-in-law); Rita Demopoulos, Ed Cales (family of the Lopez's); Raymond & Evelyn Anderson, Kerry Snell & Families (Debbie Hisiro's family & friends); Luke Spaseff; Diane Chambers (Anna Doray's family); John Fatich (Janet Kuzupas brother); Joseph & Steven Demchak, (Suzanne's brothers);

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: Victims of Terror, War, & Strife both here and throughout the world; Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo held hostage by Syrian Terrorists; PARISHIONERS: John & Mary Ellen Osuch; George (Leavitt) Keener; Kathryn Kellachow; Andy Fedetz; Sue Wolfe; Ghebremichael Habtegeorghis; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas. **HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES:** Yohannes Tesfai; Olga Angelo; Betty Danko; Nicholas Demopoulos (Sam's cousin); Nicholas Essis; Pauline Fecho; Janet Kuzupas; Katharine Macut; Adam Mallick; Gloria Maliniak; Millicent Russell; June Taleff **EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** Elizabeth Hake; Kara Henry; Irina Jurewicz; M. Laura (Hadginske) Schmidt; Wessam Botros; and the children to be born of them; **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Yerusalem Arefe, Masha Cameron, Amelia Demopoulos; George Hatalowich, Wade Hisiro, Shreya Jacob; Sophia Kellachow; Cathi Kemp; Madeleine Kushlan; Drake Lamb; Christina & Joseph Martin, Evan & Johnna McGreevy, Timothy Monko; Andrew Norato; Alex Pankiw, DJ Pawlush, Molly Pylypciw, Sophia Rissetar, Jessica Shingara, Sharon Shingara; Nicole Staller, Stephanie Stine, Melissa Zuro **MILITARY:** Dimitrios; Evangelos; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Michael; Peter; **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Kay Himes (Keith Leader's aunt); John & Jan Pellegrini; Tanya Rice (Sam Lopez's friend); Christine Kantner (Michele Gopinath's aunt); Fred Polli (family of the Osuch's); Natalie Reba (E. Hermans family); Timothy Long; Paul & Kay Maliniak (family of Gloria); Fr. John Nightingale; Christine Eshelman (sister of Patty Taleff); Nathan Weaver; Ronald Keck; Marney Donak; David Roberts, 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); Chuck Martin; Cecilia Hunt (Larry Smith's friend & cousin); **SEMINARY FAMILY:** Moses & Christy Locke (and the child to be born of her) – *Elias & Seraphim CATECHUMENS:* Matthew & Rachel Brubaker – *Anastasia*; Dennis Bupp; Shine Gopinath; Bette Keener; Kaylee Schofield; Nathan Zaccarelli; Colette Guiseppe (newborn)

NEWLY DEPARTED [40TH DAY]: Ronald Hancher Sr. – Nov 30 [1/8]; John Zervoulei (friend Larry Smith) –Nov 21 [12/30]; Lois Strawhecker (family friend of S. Lopez) –Nov 17 [12/26]; Eugene Minarich –Nov 25 [1/3]; Ann Pusey – Nov 21 [12/30]; Keturah Faust – Nov 19; Michael Zizack (P.Hadginske's friend); Catherine Maymon (Ab. Mark's mother) – Nov 4 [12/13]; Sandy Kosik, Bill Kantor's niece – Nov 2 [12/11]; Merhari Haile, Aster's father; Carole Sagan, Bill Kuchta's cousin – Oct 27 [12/5]; M. Maria Shuga, mother of Larissa Shuga & Anita Spaits - Oct 26 [12/4];

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: Daniel Pankiw, father-in-law of Kathy, Dec 4 – 9th; Patriarch IGNATIUS of Antioch, Dec 5 -4th; Mary Dotsey, mother of John & Susan, Dec 5 – 14th; Carl Polansky, Dec 6 -5th; Daniel Cain, son of Douglas & Barbara, Dec 6 – 8th; Natalia Koselok, Dec 6 -14th; Nellie Stine, John R. Barns aunt, Dec 7 -6th; Wassil Kuchta, grandfather of Bill, Dec 7 -97th; Mary Kantor, sister of Bill, Dec 8 – 9th; Vladimir Kantor, brother of Bill, Dec 8 – 1st; Louis Zang, cousin of M. Theodora, Dec 9- 2nd; Archpriest Michael Mihalik, Dec 10- 4th; Susan Elmer, Larry Smith's brother-in-laws wife, Dec 10- 7th; Walter Strank, cousin of +George Krempasky Dec 10 -6th; Dr. John R. Essock, Mary's son, Dec 10 – 12th;

CANDLE OFFERINGS: To purchase please speak with one of the vestrymen. *Note:* notify the office by Wednesday.

- ❖ Seven Day Votive in Memory of V. Rev. Peter & M. Josephine Felenchak, from the DiFlorio Family

MANY YEARS: Please submit to <mailto:office@ctshbg.org> by the preceding Wednesday.

ANNIVERSARIES: Shine & Michele Gopinath - Dec 10; Michael & Loretta Ivanoff – Dec 10

BIRTHDAYS: Sean Firestine – Dec 5; Betty Danko – Dec 6;

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Nativity Decorating: Will be held on **Saturday, Dec 10th** @ **10am**. We are looking for volunteers to help adorn the Church for the upcoming *Nativity & Theophany* season. Please see **Kathy Pankiw** or **Lorrie Pawlush** if you have any questions.

Nativity Program Rehearsal Schedule: The rehearsal will be held on **Sat, Dec 10th**. The following is times for each grade; Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten 9:30am-10am, Kindergarten and 1st Grade 9:30am-10:15am, 2nd - 4th Grade 10am-10:30am, and 5th -12th Grade 10:30am- 11am.

Adult Learning Program for the Nativity Fast: Will be held on the next two **Tuesday's at 7pm** on **Dec 6 & Dec 13**. Presented by our Three Hierarchs Adult Education Ministry.

Nut Roll Baking Schedule: Looking for extra volunteers, *especially on Wednesday & Thursday evenings*. The baking schedule is: **Mon, Dec. 5th** - separate eggs @ **TBD**. **Wed, Dec. 7th** – baking @ **8:00 am**; bagging rolls, following Vespers. **Thur., Dec. 8th** – baking @ **8:00 am**; bagging & clean-up @ **6:00 pm**. *Thank you in advance for your help in this project!*

Christmas & Decorated Candles: You can donate a poinsettia to adorn our church during the *Nativity & Theophany* season or donate decorated candles for the *Great Feast of Nativity* in memory of a loved one or for the health and salvation of your family & friends. Please see the sign up lists on the candle desk in the vestibule. • *Poinsettias* are \$8 ea. and you may take it home after the festive season. • *Regular Decorated Candles* are \$10 ea.

Donation Opportunity: for a **new coffee brewing system** to replace the urns we currently use. If you want to know more, please contact Fr. Stephen (pastor@ctshbg.org). Donations can be made payable to our parish, with "Coffee Brewer" on the memo line. Thank you!

Sales Desk: The **2017 Daily Lives, Miracles, and Wisdom of the Saints** daily devotional have arrived at the sales desk. Please see **Christine Tartemella** to purchase your copy.

HERSHEY BEARS HOCKEY TICKETS: Tickets are available (*first come/paid*) for the game on **January 18th** which offers a free HERSHEY PARK pass given to every person attending! Email John Dotsey (JohnandJeanDotsey@verizon.net) or Alice Mallick (MrsMallick@verizon.net) to reserve your tickets. Cost is **\$20.00** - Tickets must be paid when reserving them, *thank you*.

Vestry Youth Mentoring Program: Teens will be pairing up with Vestry Members to enrich their church experience (as well as train them for adult roles). If a youth is unable for their assigned Sunday or if you wish to be added to the schedule please see or email **Joanne Wevodau** at jwevodau@verizon.net

Dec 4:	Grace Firestine	Evelyn Firestine
Dec 11:	Saline Kidane	Sam Kidane
Dec 18:	Edan Araya	Tsedey Afrassa

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 please contact **Nadzia Schilling** at 652-2759

Dec 4*:	Samantha Lopez	Christine Lamb	Christine Tartamella
Dec 11*:	Joanne Wevodau	John Barns	
Dec 18*:	Larissa Shuga	Janice Zuro	Mary White

LAST SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY: 152

EVENTS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

Open House/Choral Program: The Holy Apostles Church is hosting an *Open House & Choral Program* on **Sun, Dec 11th @ 3pm**. Come enjoy the Nativity Hymns and see their new church. Refreshments will follow the program. For more information please see the poster on the church doors.

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

- **UPDATED - Volunteers needed:** Librarian (sort and categorize books) & Social Media volunteer. Both positions have flexible hour to suit your schedule. Also needed is a volunteer cook on Friday morning - flexible hours. Please contact Joanne Wevodau at 717-580-4833 or jwevodau@verizon.net