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But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord! (Joshua 24:15)

SUNDAY DECEMBER 10, 2017

27th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 2. Martyrs Menas, Hermogenes, and Eugegraphus, of Alexandria. St. Joasaph, Bishop of Belgorod. Martyr Gemellus of Paphlagonia. Ven. Thomas of Bithynia (10th c.). Bl. Jovan (John), King of Serbia and his parents, Stephen and Angelina Brancovich.

Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-17

Gospel: Luke 17:12-19

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

- Dec 10, Sun:** MARTYRS MENAS, HERMOGENES, & EUGRAPHUS. (Fish Day) Hours -9:10am; Divine Liturgy - 9:30am; Church School Nativity Program & Fellowship –following
Readers: 3rd Hour: Sophia Kellachow 6th Hour: Vladimir Kellachow
Epistle: Larry Smith • Post-Communion: Rdr. Leo Leer
- Dec 12, Tue:** ST. SPYRIDON. *Compline* - 6:30pm; Adult Ed Series –following
- Dec 13, Wed:** ST HERMAN OF ALASKA. (Fish Day) Divine Liturgy -9:30am @ Holy Apostles, Mechanicsburg; Bible Study (33 N 2nd St) –noon; Prosphora Baking -4pm; *Vespers* - 6:30pm; Confession & Choir Rehearsal –following
- Dec 14, Thu:** MARTYRS THYRSYUS, LEUCIS, & CALLINICUS.
- Dec 16, Sat:** (Fish Day) “O” Club Cookies -3pm; *Vespers* -5pm; Confession & Choir Rehearsal – following
- Dec 17, Sun:** PROPHET DANIEL (Fish Day) Hours -9:10am; Divine Liturgy-9:30am w/Archbishop MARK & Ordination; Church School, Fellowship, & Cookie Sale –following
Readers: 3rd Hour: Lydia Mantle 6th Hour: Manny Lopez
Epistle: Rdr. James Kushlan • Post-Communion: Rdr. Matthew Lubecki

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, our pastor.

- **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.

NEWLY DEPARTED [40TH DAY]: Joanne Prisley (M. Theodora's sister-in-law) – Dec 3 [11/1]; Katharine Macut – Nov 10[12/19]; Raymond Anderson (Deb Hisiro's father) – Nov 2 [12/11]; Louise Quinn (Fedetz family) – Nov 1 [12/10];

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: Ap. Michael Mihalik, Dec 10- 5th; Susan Elmer, Larry Smith's brother-in-laws wife, Dec 10- 8th; Walter Strank, cousin of +George Krempasky Dec 10 -7th; Dr. John R. Essock, Mary's son, Dec 10 – 13th; John Sullivan, brother-in-law of Joe & Barbara Norato, Dec 11 -42nd; Mary Hoffman, Mary Ann Hadginske's mother, Dec 11 - 10th; Goitom Kidane, Dec 12 – 12th; Peter Harahus, Father of Sandy Wood, Dec 12 -17th; Andrew Latanishen, grandfather of Bill Kuchta, Dec 13 -51st; Anna Hatalowich, grandmother of George, Dec 13 -42nd; Inez Leonard, cousin of John R. Barns, Dec 13 -13th; George L. White, brother of Gerald, Dec 13 -54th; James Reedy, Dec 14 -45th; Leavitt Keener, Sr. Leavitt's father, Dec 14 -6th; John O. Vartan, Dec 15 -13th; Pani Suan Mesaros, wife of Fr. Frank, Dec 16 -15th; Christopher Burgan, Dec 16 -2nd;

AILING: PARISHIONERS: Janet Kuzupas; Joseph (Moe) Mazurek; Maria Vasilca; **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Gail (friend of the Coles); Drew (Yorusalem's friend); Ellen (former parishioner & friend of Cathi Kemp, Lydia Mantle & the Cain's); Carrie (Amanda Schillings sister); Abraham (AJ) (George Botros's nephew); Lonnie & Fred (John Osuch's family); Marianne; **infant Theodore** (Alice Mallick's great grandson); M. Myra (Natalia Seewald's mother); Daniel (Fred Leer's cousin); Robert & Barbara (friends of Larry Smith); Jennifer, Joan, Paul, Lydia, Marilyn (family & friends of the Kushlans); Martha (family of M. Theodora); Victor, Marie, Robert, & Roger (family & friend of the Kuchtas); Marcia, Olga & Ron (family & friend of Kathy Pankiw); Fred & John (family of Jean Dotsey); Geoffrey & Seraphima (friends of John R. Barns); Rita & Ed (Lopez family); Evelyn, Kerry & Family (Deb Hisiro's family & friends); John (Janet Kuzupas brother); Mike, Joseph & Steven (Suzanne's brothers);

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: All victims of Terror, War, & Civil Strife both here and throughout the world; Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo held hostage by Syrian Terrorists; **PARISHIONERS:** Manny (Lazarus) Lopez; Andrea Ivanoff Worley; Andrew Katerman; James Krut; Natalie Treece; Anna Doray; John & Mary Ellen Osuch; Kathryn Kellachow; Andy Fedetz; Sue Wolfe; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas. **HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES:** Olga Angelo; Nicholas Demopoulos; Nicholas Essis; Pauline Fecho; William Kantor; Janet Kuzupas; Gloria Maliniak; Millicent Russell; Jane Volscko **EXPECTANT MOTHER(S):** Jessica (Henry) Lane; Elizabeth (Alison) Latimer; Popadija Andreja Rocknage; Natalie (Schilling) Murphy and the children to be born of them; **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Yerusalem Arefe, Masha Cameron, Amelia Demopoulos; Grace Firestine; George Hatalowich, Wade Hisiro, Shreya & Shawn Jacob; Sophia Kellachow; Bahliby & Sammy Kidane; Madeleine Kushlan; Drake Lamb; Isaac Lampart; Christina & Joseph Martin, Evan & Johnna McGreevy, Timothy Monko; Andrew Norato; Alex Pankiw, DJ Pawlush, Molly Pylypciw, Sophia Ressetar, Jessica & Sharon Shingara; Nicole & Shane Staller, Stephanie Stine, Melissa Zuro; Rdr. John Shingara. **MILITARY:** Casey; Dimitrios; Evangelos; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Michael; Peter; Russell, Sean, Ian, Zachary, Josiah; **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Michael (nephew of M. Theodora); Ayoub family (former church members); Karen, David, Jon, Fara, & Kathy (friends of the Lopez's); Richard, Edward & Catherine (friends of Cathy Kemp); George (Leavitt); Michelle (Libby's niece); Christina & Margie (friends of Bethann); Christine (Michelle Gopinath's aunt); Natalie (Eleanor Hermans family); Paul (family of Gloria Maliniak); Christine (sister of Patti Taleff); Nathan; Marney; David, William, & Nancy (family & friends of John R. Barns); Nancy (John & Chris Cole's mother); Ben & Amanda (Sally Marasco's children); Chuck & Cecilia (Larry Smith's friend & cousin); **SEMINARY FAMILY:** Moses & Christy Locke – *Elias, Seraphim, & Symeon*; Rdr. James, Elizabeth (Alison) Latimer – *Madeleine*

CATECHUMEN: Una McManus; Anthony (Tony) Gault; Thomas, Jennifer, Madison & Hannah Shingara

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

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

ANNIVERSARIES: Shine & Michele Gopinath - Dec 10; Michael & Loretta Ivanoff – Dec 10; Andrea & Steve Worley – Dec 12

BIRTHDAYS: Deb McGinnes – Dec 11; Alexander Ressetar – Dec 14; Jonathan Dunnavent – Dec 16

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT: Winta Gebre – Dec 2nd; daughter of Selamawi & Yordanos Gebre

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Church School Nativity Program: Will be held TODAY following *Divine Liturgy*. The parish can't wait to see how the students & their teachers will awe & amaze us this year!

"Blessing Bags": The Church School & St. Monica's Mom's group is collecting items for "Blessing Bags" to help the less fortunate. The items are: Gallon-size freezer bags, travel-sized laundry soap, thick socks, granola bars, band-aids/mini first aid kits, bar soap, razors, deodorant, toothbrushes/paste, hats, gloves, & candy canes. **Monetary** donations will be taken up to TODAY and all other items should be at the church by **Sunday, Dec 17th**. If you have any questions please contact **Kristen Iwancio** or **Christina Yerke**.

Christmas Angels: The "Angles" are **DUE Sun, Dec 17th**; please have your angel *attached* to your wrapped gift.

Poinsettias & 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.

Advent Adult Ed. Series: *Wondrous in His Saints, Learn about the Saints & our Relationship with Them*, will continue the next three Tuesdays following Services on Dec 12th, & 19th.

SAVE the DATE: The *Annual Parish Nativity Open House* will be on **Friday, Dec 29th**. All are Welcome and the dinner is FREE (a gift from our Men's Club)! The social starts at 5:30pm and the dinner will be served at 6:30pm.

2018 Calendar: The 2018 Church Calendar is located on the umbrella stand. Please take one per family at this time. Check out the photo for December!

Hershey Bears Hockey Game: Members of our parish are invited to attend the Hershey Bears hockey game on Wednesday evening, **January 10th at 7:00 pm**. The purchase of your ticket includes a **FREE PASS to Hershey Park**. The cost for a ticket is \$25. We have a limited number of tickets, which will be sold on a first come basis. Please see **John Dotsey** if you are interested in attending the game.

SAVE the DATE: The 10th *Annual Pan-Orthodox Great Blessing of the Susquehanna River* will be held **Sun, Jan 21st @ 2pm (Meeting at the Arcade)**. A reception will follow at Agia Sophia.

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 10:	Semhar Zerezgi	Ariam Zerezgi
Dec 17:	Eden Araya	Tsedey Afrassa
Dec 24:	Nicole Zart	Benjamin Zart

St. Mary's Altar Guild Fellowship: 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 717-652-2759**

Dec 10*:	Joanne Wevodau	Marina Cameron	John Barns
Dec 17*:	Larissa Shuga	Anita Spaits	Dottie Dimoff
Dec 24*:		St. Mary's Altar Guild	

LAST SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY: 162

EVENTS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

St. Tikhon's Cemetery Plots: Cemetery plots are currently for sale near & around the Mausoleum for Orthodox Christians, their spouses, & families. Each plot is currently \$1,350 (2 plots: \$2,700; 3 plots \$4,050; etc). The opening & closing cost is \$1,150 and is subject to change. However, if you purchase your plot(s) now they will guarantee the price. You may make payments up to 12 months. For more information please see the flyers located in the church hall

81st Novogodny Ball: Will take place on Sunday 1/14/18 for the benefit of Orthodox Christian & other deserving charities. For info & reservations email novogodnyball@gmail.com or call Andre Cox at 215-290-4542.

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 Coffee Shop and Bookstore needs YOU! Represent your faith while sharing your time and talents by volunteering at the shop. It is a fulfilling summer opportunity for College and High School students as well as teachers.

- Mondays 8am to 11am to serve coffee and take orders. (or whatever day you are available)
- Fridays (flexible hours) to cook soups, etc.
- Year round help is always needed. Any time, any day.

If you can donate time/talents to this ministry, please contact Joanne Wevodau at jwevodau@verizon.net or 717-580-4833