



# CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

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Rdr. James Kushlan, *Choir Director (interim)*

Dr. David Pawlusch, *Parish Council President*

John Dotsey, *Treasurer*

OUR “WHY” - To experience and share Christ's love so that everyone we encounter finds healing, purpose, and eternal life.



And let us consider one another in order  
to stir up love and good works. *Hebrews 10:24*



## SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2024

36TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — TONE 3. Hieromartyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebaste. Ven. Dimitri, Wonderworker of Priluki. Rt. Blv. Great Prince Vsevolod of Pskov. Righteous Theodora, wife of Emperor Theophilus the Iconoclast.

SCHEDULE: *Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy – 9:30am;* Church School & Fellowship; Parish Super Bowl Party –5pm

3rd Hour: **Lydia Mantle** • 6th Hour: **Zoe Vernak**  
Epistle: **John Constantine** • Post-Communion: **Mary White**

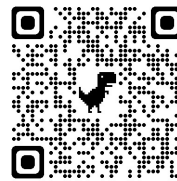
## WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

*Interested in learning more?*

Contact our pastor, **Fr. Stephen Vernak**

*Email:* pastor “at” ctshbg.org

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## HYMNS & READINGS

**Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone III** — Let the heavens rejoice! / Let the earth be glad! / For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. / He has trampled down death by death. / He has become the first born of the dead. / He has delivered us from the depths of hell, / and has granted to the world// great mercy.

**Troparion of Hieromartyr Blaise, Tone IV** — By sharing in the ways of the Apostles, / thou didst become a successor to their throne. / Through the practice of virtue, thou didst find the way to divine contemplation, O inspired one of God; / by teaching the word of truth without error, thou didst defend the Faith, even to the shedding of thy blood.// O Hieromartyr Blaise, entreat Christ God to save our souls!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.*

**Kontakion of Hieromartyr Blaise, Tone II** — Godly shoot, unfading flower, / most fruitful branch of Christ the Vine, / God-bearing Blaise, fill with joy those who in faith honor thy memory// as thou unceasingly intercedest for us all.

*Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Kontakion of the Resurrection, Tone III** — On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, / leading us from the gates of death. / On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; / with the Prophets and Patriarchs// they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

**PROKEIMENON - Tone III:** Sing praises to our God, sing praises! / Sing praises to our King, sing praises! (*Resurrection*)

*V. Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!*

**EPISTLE:** (*1 Timothy 1:15-17*) *Timothy my son, This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. <sup>16</sup> However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. <sup>17</sup> Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.*

**ALLELUIA VERSES:** *In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame! • Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!*

**GOSPEL:** (*Matthew 15:21-28*) *At that time, Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed." <sup>23</sup> But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she cries out after us." <sup>24</sup> But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup> Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help me!" <sup>26</sup> But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs." <sup>27</sup> And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.*

**COMMUNION HYMN:** Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

## UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

*Fr. Stephen at Diocesan Pre-Lenten Retreat Feb 12th & Feb 13th Paoli, PA*

**Feb 12, Mon:** Men's Club Meeting –7pm

**Feb 14, Wed:** Bible Study (Zoom) -12pm; **Vespers - 6:30pm**; Confession & Choir Rehearsal

**Feb 15, Thu:** Parish Council Meeting –6:30pm

**Feb 17, Sat:** Pierogi Workshop –8:30am; **Vespers – 5pm**; Confession; Parish Movie Night “*Joseph*” - 6:15pm

**Feb 18, Sun: ZACCHAEUS SUNDAY. Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy – 9:30am; Memorial Litiya –11:30am;** Church School & Fellowship;

3rd Hour: **Sophia Kellachow w/Elizabeth** • 6th Hour: **Mary White**

Epistle: **Larry Smith** • Post-Communion: **Ray Rieck**

## PARISH NEWS

**Parish Super Bowl Party:** Will be held **TODAY** with appetizers at 5pm & Dinner at 6pm. The cost is \$15.00 & includes food & drinks. Please see either Bob Drozd, Josh DiFlorio or Dave Martin to sign up.

**Souper Bowl of Caring:** CTS will be collecting funds for THON Childhood Cancer Research on Sun, Feb 11th.

**Pierogi Workshop:** **Sat, Feb 17** starting at 8:30am. All are invited to help with the Pierogi making & on-the-site training is provided; if you can help see **Mike Mallick**. **SAVE the DATE:** The Annual Pierogi Luncheon will be held on Meatfare Sunday, **March 10**.

**MOVIE NIGHT:** The "O" Club invites you to see *Sight & Sound's Joseph* in our parish hall following Vespers on **Sat, Feb 17**. Admission is free & refreshments will be available to purchase before the show or during intermission. The movie will conclude before 9pm.

**2024 Parish Directory:** The office is starting to update the parish directory. If you have any updates i.e. email, address, cell # or photo, please email [office@ctshbg.org](mailto:office@ctshbg.org), if you are new to the parish, please go to [www.CTSHBG.org](http://www.CTSHBG.org), tab Parish Resources & then choose Directory Questionnaire to submit your information. Please have all updates/new parishioners info sent by **Sun, March 17<sup>th</sup>**.

**2024 Wall Calendar Update:** Arrived!!! One per family please!

**2023 Tax Statements:** Were mailed out on **Mon, Jan 29**. If you have any questions regarding your statement please email the office or Bethann.

**2024 Club Dues Reminder:** Dues for the Men's Club, “O” Club & your donation to the Altar Guild are due now & should be paid in full by **Sun, Feb 11<sup>th</sup>**. Questions? Please contact your club president.

**Lunch Bunch:** All are welcome to February Lunch Bunch at 12:30pm, **Thu, Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>** at JoJo's on Rt 22. Call or text Kathy Pankiw at

**Donation Opportunity:** The CTS Trivia Night winning team has selected the **Fr. Daniel Ressetar Memorial Bell Project** as its charity. Consider making a generous cash donation to honor our beloved Fr. Dan to the donation box on the trivia cart, located next to the hall kitchen at fellowship.

**Women's Retreat "The Gift of Compassion, from God to Us – Through Us, to others":** Will be held on **Sat, March 2** at Holy Trinity Church in Stroudsburg. Open to all women of our Diocese & beyond. No charge, lunch & snacks provided. RSVP to Sara Rusk - rusksara21@gmail.com by Feb 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Fellowship Hour:** All parishioners are encouraged to host a week. Coordinating with other families to decide on a menu. *Plan on approximately 150 people.*  
**Look for email reminders for any updates to the schedule.** Contact **Christine Velott** with any questions

Feb 11:	Schilling, Murphy, Dimoff, & Kormushoff families
Feb 18:	Pankiw, Lopez, & McClure families
Feb 25:	Shingara, Priestley, Cole, DiFlorio families

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

*Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.*

**NEWLY DEPARTED [40<sup>TH</sup> DAY]:** **Carl Demchak**, (brother of S. Suzanne) - Feb 6 [4/3]; **Pat Kochenderfer** (friend of Debbie Hisiro) – Feb 5 [4/2]; **Michael Harahus** (uncle of Sandy Wood) - Feb 5 [4/2]; **Ruth Robinson** (friend of Dotty Fedetz); **Stanley J. Zbicki Jr.** (family of Libby Hancher) - Jan 18 [2/26]; **George Kaznowsky** - Jan 14 [2/22]; **Ap. Moses Berry** - Jan 12 [2/20]; **Elona "Mona" Meyer** (cousin of Mike Mallick & Andrea Yanonne) - Jan 10 [2/18]; **Laura Briggs** - Jan 7 [2/15]; **James Briggs** - Jan 6 [2/14]; **Mother Elizabeth (Lutz)** - Jan 6 [2/14];

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED:** **Marie Gehrung**, Feb 12 -35<sup>th</sup>; **Raisa Nechay Sadowsky**, Feb 12 – 27<sup>th</sup>; **Teodor Andrykiewicz**, Nadzia Schillings godfather, Feb 12 – 16<sup>th</sup>; **Louise Demchak**, sister-in-law of Suzanne, Feb 12 – 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Ferdinand Gewiss**, father of Pricopi, Feb 12 – 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Mary (Kalenak) De Butt**, Feb 13 -35<sup>th</sup>; **Cameron Bryan Seitz**, Kristen's son, Feb 13 – 33<sup>rd</sup>; **Helen Kurylo**, Feb 14 – 12<sup>th</sup>; **Saba Ghebresalassie**, Feb 14 -9<sup>th</sup>; **Gabrielle Korkor**, sister & sister-in-law of Dr. & Mrs. Elie Sarraf, Feb 14 – 4<sup>th</sup>; **Mary Macevei**, friend of +Dottie Barbu, Feb 15 – 28<sup>th</sup>; **Robert Smetanick**, father of Vicki Henry, Feb 15 – 25<sup>th</sup>; **Sbdn. John D. Ressetar**, brother of +Fr. Dan, Feb 15 – 22<sup>nd</sup>; **Sergei Kevorkov**, father of Mikhail & grandfather of Sergei, Feb 15 – 20<sup>th</sup>; **Ann Waytovich**, Feb 16 – 16<sup>th</sup>; **Lydia Novak**, Larissa Shuga's godmother, Feb 16 – 15<sup>th</sup>; **Miriam Sheesley**, aunt of John R. Barns, Feb 16 - 8<sup>th</sup>; **Basil "Bill" Kantor**, Feb 16 – 3<sup>rd</sup>; **Mildred Metesky**, cousin of M. Theodora, Feb 16 – 2<sup>nd</sup>; **Iskander H. Issis**, Feb 17 -28<sup>th</sup>; **Aziz Shunnara**, Feb 17 – 23<sup>rd</sup>; **Joseph F. Pilc**, Feb 17 – 21<sup>st</sup>; **M. Margaret Ressetar**, mother of +Fr. Dan, Feb 17 – 18<sup>th</sup>; **George Caba**, Feb 17- 14<sup>th</sup>; **Nancy Dove**, family of M. Theodora, Feb 17 – 6<sup>th</sup>;

**AILING - PARISHIONERS:** **Joseph "Moe" Mazurek**; **Effie Spaseff**; **FAMILY/ FRIENDS:** **Elena** (family friend of I. Pototska); **Judith & Alfred** (grandparents of

Julia McGee); **Ariadna** (Aunt of A. Preciado); **Galo** (C. Preciado's grandfather); **Samantha, Suzanne, & Natalie** (friend, family & godchild of E. Herman); **Michael** (father-in-law of C. Velott); **Fadia** (W. Botros' mother); **Blaise** (Nora & Jennifer's brother); **Lori** (sister-in-law of J. & N. Schilling); **David** (friend of C. Kemp); **Tais** (cousin of C. Kemp & L. Mantle & niece of D. Fedetz); **Gregory** (brother of K. Kuchwara); **Presbyteria Marina Lillian Thornburg** (Nora's God-daughter); **Lois** (mother of J. Dunnevant). **Reba** (mother of S. Africa & L. Files); **Walt & Jerry "David"** (friends of B. Keener); **Thalia, & Colton**, (aunt & cousin of Donna Bretz); **Barry** (L. Kalenevitch's brother); **Brandon** (family of J. Koach); **Dustin** (family of Rdr. Leo); **Child Julia; Melvin, & Frank** (D. Martins brother & friend); **Kay, Richard, & Anya** (aunt & friends of K. Leader); **Seraphima & John** (friend & brother of J. Barn's coworker); **Joyce** (mother of J. Reba); **Bob, Dennis Patrick** (nephew of D. Bupp); **Louise Bare; ;** **Edward** (Fr. Timothy Hojnicky's father); **May** (cousin of E. Saraff); **Isabella; Christine Perrin; Melanie & Alex** (friend & uncle of C. Yerke); **Alexandra, & Tamara** (B. Kuchta's family); **Bp. Matthias Moriak; Adley** (child of N. Somple's friend); **Aiden** (nephew of S. Hanna); **Robin** (son-in-law of E. Files); **Fred** (cousin of the Kormushoff's); **Maria** (friend of the Cain's); **Grace** (D. Fedetz sister-in-law); **Tom** (friend of D. Bupp & Kushlans); **M. Olga Klembara** (Larissa & Anita's aunt); **Joan, & Kim** (friends of the J. & A. Cole); **Hannes & Anne** (family of R. Rieck); **Pastor Charles, Mary, Peter, & Edwin**, (family & friends of the Leer's); **Joanne, Owen, Paul, Steve, & Barry** (Hisiro family & friends); **Elle** (friend of J. McGreevy); **John** (brother of J. Krut); **Pam, Dan & Nina** (friends of D. Bupp); **Igumen David (Lewis); Neal** (D. Pawlush's brother); **James** (brother of M. Koviloff); **Grace, Karen, Lois, & Rich** (J. Mamay's sisters & friends); **Joan Therese & Dori** (mother & niece of N. Lubecki & J. Lewis); **Lynn** (Himes daughter-in-law); **Deana, Sandy, & Kelly** (friends of DiFlorio's); **Shirley** (L. Pawlush's mother); **child Joshua; M. Lisa Weremedic** (wife of Fr. James); **Janice & Emil** (J. Zuro & G. Leer's aunt & uncle); **child Fynn; Patty** (friend of K. Pankiw); **Mitchel** (Jean Dotsey's nephew); **Linda** (M. Sharon's mother); **Ap. Michael & M. Valeria Hatrak; Jacob** (brother of Pat Drebot); **Wendy** (M. Deamer's mother); **Mona** (sister of Ab. Mark); **Mary** (mother of S. Kellachow); **Mary & Nicholas** (family & friends of the Kuchta's); **Victoria, Erin & David** (friends of L. Smith); **Flora** (T. Gault's mother); **Vera** (Ressetar's family); **Bernadine, Lonnie & Fred** (Osuch family); **Mike, Jessica's & their families; Jonathan, Paul, Adam, Bev, Alynda, Tina, Mark, Jenny, Marilyn, Alicia, Shelby, & Jim** (family & friends of the Kushlans); **Alexa, Thomas, Alexander, Anastasia, Saulo, Theodore** (Lopez friends & family);

**HEALTH & WELL-BEING:** Those suffering from natural disasters. All victims of Sickness, Terror, War, Violence, Racism, Injustice & Civil Strife; **Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo** *held hostage by Syrian Terrorists, for the suffering people of Israel, Palestine, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Ukraine, Haiti & Afghanistan, especially our citizens & soldiers who are in harms way;* **PARISHIONERS:** Marie Gewiss; Kayli (Kalliopi) Mikita; Tenley Jo Zeppuhar; Ava Brown; Nektaria (Mariana) Cruz; Katherine Kuchwara; Selamawit Ghebremichael; Christopher Preciado; Frank Bifano; Michael Zuro; Bahliby Kidane; John Coles; Rebecca Brown; John Yerke; Elizabeth; Eli Mioff; Ann & Gerald Cole; M. Theodora Ressetar; Charlene Dardaris; Johnna; Terry Drebot; Patricia Drebot; Lazarus (Manny) & Samantha Lopez; Gail (Brigit) Goss; Mary Ellen Osuch; Natalie Treece; Evan M.; Tony Onufer; Ita (Stephanie) Snyder;

John "Jack" Sweikert; Joseph Sembrot; Birikit & Hannah Zerat; Jeanne Zane; Teklu & Pazion Ogbamichael; Katherine Kudelko; M. Ap. Daniel & M. Myra Kovalak; Lazarus (Jonathan) Dunnavent; Kathryn Kellachow; Sue Wolfe; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas; Larry Lewis HOME-BOUND/CARE FACILITIES: Nicholas Demopoulos; Millicent Russell; EXPECTANT MOTHER(S): Karin Smith; Luam Ghebreghiorgis; Cathy Platt; Monica (Jekel) Chilbert; Chicory (Snyder) Biers; Brittany Kemp; *and the children to be born of them*; M. Tatiana Rutz; Elva Lubecki *and the children born of them* COLLEGE STUDENTS: Tseday Afrassa; Eden Araya; Adriel Armstrong; Olivia Drozd; Grace & Evelyn Firestine; Jacob Herman; Shawn Jacob; Sophia Kellachow; Rdr. Vladimir Kellachow; Faniel Kesete; Flimon Kesete; Matthew Mikita; Zachary Matthews; Otilia Murariu; Molly Pylypciw; Rachel Reba; John Romain; Melat Tesfay; Siem Tesfay; Sophia Vernak; Jessica Williams; Cassandra Zart; Ashley; David, Dave; Peter; Wessam; MILITARY: Alexander; Valery; Conrad; Shawn; Benjamin; Rdr. Vladimir; Abel; Jacob; Gabriel; Matthew; David; Michael; Peter; Sean; Ian, Zachary; Josiah; Evgeny (Owen) FAMILY & FRIENDS: Robert, Patricia & George (husband & parents of V. Baker); Michelle (friend of M. Reba); Maria (friend of M. Theodora); David (brother of Larissa & Anita); John, Vera, Joe & Kandi (family & friend of Libby); Shenia (sister of N. Schilling); Ron (cousin of Donna Bretz); Bill (C. Yerke's father); Jesse & Amelia (grandchildren of C. Dardaris); Christine (sister in law of the DiFlorio's); Steve G. (friend of J. McGreevy); Stacy & Mia (B. Keener's friends); Tony (K. Hertzler's husband); Ronald; Una; Jean & Robert (aunt & friend of Rdr. Leo); Anne (sister-in-law of R. Rieck); Mitchell, Deborah, Michael, Emily, Ezra (S. Kellachow's family); George, Matthew, Ed, George, & Terry (family & friends of J. Mamay); Kalei (family of K. Leader); Vicki, Ken, Ron, & Scott (friends of the Pankiw's); Jackie, Bruce, Shirley, Charlie, Connie, Helen, Rob & Jody (family & friends of the Mallick's); Cindy, Michael, & Kyle, (friends of B. Lenker); M. Natasha Lazor, Cindy, & Linda, (friends of M. Myra); Rosalie; David & Dawn (cousins of Chet); Alexandra; Masha, Ethan & Wesley (M. Cameron's family/friend); Nancy & family (Snyder's friends); Emma, Jeremiah, Elliana, Timothy, Jessica, Noah, Georgia, Amelia, Edgar, Landon, Theodore, Sofia, Evangelia, Zoe, Ryan, Stacey, Bryan, Curt, Thomas, Andrew, Priest Demetrius Nicoloudakis, Megan, Jacob & family, Georgia, Maria, Blake, Keisha, Dimitrios, child Evangelia, Kyle, Martha, Nicholas, Jack, Samuel, Christian, Theodore, Steve, Juan, Isaac, Samuel, Faye, Jon, (family/friends of the Lopez's); MISSIONARIES: Jesse & Juanita Brandow (Guatemala); SEMINARIANS: Dn. Kyril & M. Olivia (STS); Fr. Seraphim & M. Elena Robertson *and family* (STS); Rdr. Nathan & Rebecca Jekel *and family* (SVS) CATECHUMEN(S): John Romain; Joseph Middelkoop; Rudelle Kerests; Daniel Nuemann; Chris Baird - Layla & Lyla Baird; Jeff & Karin Smith.

## MANY YEARS!

*Please submit names and dates to office "at" ctsbbg.org*

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Andrew Leer & Raghda Saad – Feb 16;

**BIRTHDAYS:** Sally Marasco – Feb 11; Peter (Ronald) Miller –Feb 12; Symeon (Cliff) Jekel – Feb 13; Elena Murariu – Feb 15; Letina Estifanos – Feb 16; Charlotte Firestine – Feb 17; Raissa Merdziuszew – Feb 17; Russell Snyder – Feb 17;

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT:** Klio Penelope Rutz (8lbs. 8oz.) - Feb 5, first child and daughter of Fr. Aaron & M. Tatiana Rutz.

## CANDLE OFFERINGS

*To donate, please see a vestryperson*

**7 Day Votive** is offered for Health & Salvation of **Jerry Cole**, from his wife Ann



**Hieromartyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebaste**



**SCAN FOR HOUSE  
BLESSING SIGN-UP**

See also the Parish Email or  
contact Fr. Stephen