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Divine Liturgy Schedule

November 26, 2023 A. D.

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!



Saturday, November 25

6:00 PM

Sunday, November 26

10:30 AM

Wednesday, November 29

10:00 AM

Thursday, November 30

10:00 AM

Friday, December 1

10:30 AM

Saturday, December 2

8:00 AM

6:00 PM

Sunday, December 3

10:30 AM

AFTER LITURGY

TWENTY-SIX SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

† Ted Weron- Tom & Jen Jones

TWENTY- SIX SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

† Belista & O'Bremski Families-Denise Kaminsky

God's Blessings on Ulana Campbell – Campbell Family

† Barbara Guzoski- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

God's Blessings for America-Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

† Arlene Czarnecki- Lisa Placek

† Ted Weron- Barno Family

TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

† Helen Bogdan- Mark & Arlene Jennings

CHRISTMAS TEA & CAROLING- Everyone is Welcome!

NO ADULT DISCUSSION ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 Due to Thanksgiving.



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted Living:** Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Geraldine Adamchak; Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, Mary Louise Bailey. **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Fr. Peter Waslo; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Fr. Gregory

Maslak, Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci, Dolores Jennings, Barnett Kurtz, Mike Oresick., Debbie Schwartz.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 26, 2023

DIVINE LITURGY for PHILLIPS FAST (11/15-12/24)

ANTIPHON 1

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Shout to the Lord, all the earth; sing now to His name, give glory to His praise.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Say unto God, "How awesome are your works! Because of the greatness of Your strength Your enemies will flatter."

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Let all the earth worship You and sing to You, let it sing to Your name, O Most High.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen.

LITTLE EKTENIA 1

Priest: Again and again in peace let us pray to the Lord.

People: Lord have mercy.

Priest: Help and save, have mercy and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

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Priest: Remembering our most holy and most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, together with all the Saints, let us commend ourselves and one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

People: To you, O Lord.

Priest prays silently: Lord, our God, save Your people and bless Your inheritance; protect the fullness of Your Church; sanctify them in return by Your divine power. Do not forsake us who hope in You.

Priest: Exclamation: For Yours is the might, and Yours are the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever.

People: Amen.

ANTIPHON 2

God, be generous to us, and bless us, let the light of Your face shine upon us, and have mercy on us.

O Son of God, Who has risen from the dead, save us who sing to You. Alleluia.

May we know Your way on earth, may Your salvation be known to all nations.

O Son of God, Who has risen from the dead, save us who sing to You. Alleluia.

May the people praise You, O God; may all the nations glorify You.

O Son of God, Who has risen from the dead, save us who sing to You. Alleluia.

Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen.

Only begotten Son and Word of God, You are immortal, and You willed for our salvation to be made flesh of the holy Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary, and without change You became man. You were crucified, O Christ our God, and trampled death by death. You are one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit, save us.

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People: To you, O Lord.

Priest prays silently: You have given us the grace to pray together in harmony and have promised to grant the requests of two or three who join their voices in Your name. Fulfill now for us, Your servants, these petitions for our benefit. Grant us in this present life the knowledge of Your truth, and in the age to come, bestow eternal life.

Priest: Exclamation: For You are a good and loving God, and we give glory to You, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and forever and ever.

People: Amen.

ANTIPHON III

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior.

Son of God, Risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.

Son of God, Risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth.

Son of God, Risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE ENTRANCE

Priest prays silently: Lord, God our Master, Who established in heaven the ranks and armies of angels and archangels for the service of Your glory, grant that as we make our entrance, the holy angels may enter too, serving with us and joining in the praise of your goodness. For all glory, honor and worship befit You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen. **Deacon:** Master, bless the holy entrance. **Priest:** Blessed be the entrance of your saints, always, now and forever and ever.

Deacon: Wisdom! Stand aright.

People: Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.

Son of God, Risen from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

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TROPAR: Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans, and soldiers guarded Your most pure body, You arose, O Savior, on the third day, and gave life to the world. And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your saving plan, O only Lover of mankind.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and forever and ever. Amen.

KONDAK: You arose in glory from the tomb and with Yourself, You raised the world. All mankind acclaim You as God, and death has vanished. Adam exults, O Master, and Eve, redeemed now from bondage, cries out for joy: "You are the One, O Christ, Who offers resurrection to mankind."

PROKIMEN: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You. Rejoice in the Lord, O You just; praise befits the righteous. Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

A reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians (5:9-19):

Brethren, walk as children of light. Its' spiritual fruit is every kind of goodness, justice and truth. Be correct in your judgment of what pleases the Lord. Take no part in vain deeds done in darkness; rather, condemn them. It is shameful even to mention the things these people do in secret; but when such deeds are condemned, they are seen in the light of day, and all that then appears is light. That is why we read: "Awake, O sleeper, arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light." Keep careful watch over your conduct.

Do not act like fools, but like thoughtful men. Make the most of the present opportunity, for these are evil days. Do not continue in ignorance but try to discern the will of the Lord. Avoid getting drunk on wine; that leads to debauchery. Be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and inspired songs. Sing praise to the Lord with all your hearts.”

ALLELUIA: (3). God gives me vindication and has subdued peoples under me. Alleluia (3). Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever. Alleluia (3).

Gospel of St. Luke 13:10-17

On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, “Woman, you are set free from your infirmity.” Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God.

Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, “There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath.”

The Lord answered him, “You hypocrites! Doesn’t each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?”

When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

COMMUNION VERSE: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him on highest. I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia (3).

Remembrance Day for the Victims of Holodomor (Stalin imposed Genocide) in Ukraine this year is NOVEMBER 25, 2023.

CHURCH NEWS Every day is a Holy Day of Opportunity. Pray Always. - *Father Daniel Gurovich*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: A Very Happy Birthday to MaryAnn Kelly who celebrates her Birthday on December 1! Mnohaya Lita! May God Grant Her and Her Families Many Happy Blessed Years!



PHILLIP'S FAST: For this **penitential period** from November 15-December 24, we will **include** the Second Antiphon and the First Small Litany as part of the Divine Liturgy. The Second Antiphon is not found in today's liturgy books, by permission of our Synod of Ukrainian Catholic Bishops. This addition will appear in the weekly church bulletin.



CHRISTMAS FLEA MARKET, ETHNIC FOOD & BASKET RAFFLE: Our **Christmas Flea Market** is on Saturday, December 2(Bag Day) from 9am to 2pm. We have some really nice Baskets once again this year- including a Smart TV. **The Basket Raffle will be pulled at noon on December 2, so get your tickets!** We will have clam chowder, pyrohy (cooked and by the dozen) for sale, potato pancakes, whimpies, and hotdogs (w/sauerkraut). Please come out and help, this is a really important fundraiser for our Parish. If you have any questions, please contact Bob or Johanna at 570-256-7883.



CHRISTMAS TEA: We will have a Christmas Tea on Sunday, December 3rd immediately following Divine Liturgy. Everyone is welcome. Bring a dozen cookies to share and a dozen cookies for gifts for parishioners unable to come to Liturgy. (The children from the CCD class will be hosting the Tea and delivering the cookies to our Parishioners with a Smile and a Christmas Carol on November 27 or 28th!) If you cannot bring cookies, bring chocolate for example to be used in the cookie trays. **We will be collecting food items for the Food Pantry & Hats/Gloves.**

CHRISTMAS TEA BAKERS: If any of our fabulous bakers would like to donate Home-Made Christmas Cookies to the Christmas Tea it would be greatly appreciated!

WYOMING CHAPTER OF PENNSYLVANIANS FOR HUMAN LIFE: Requests Summer/Winter Baby Clothes for girls in Sizes 12 months, 18 months and 24 months. Can you help out? Please leave donations in the church basement, they will be picked up by the second week of December.



NOVEMBER CANDLES

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by MaryAnn Jarolen
in loving memory of her father, Michael Hvozda.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & MaryAnn Potsko
In Honor of the Guardian Angels and Saint Michael.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Bob & Johanna Longenberger
In loving memory of Michael Rodko.

The **Candle Before the Icon table of the Theotokos** is given by
Lipowski & Placek Families in loving memory of Mrs. Olympia Pasicznyk.

The **Candle Before John the Baptist** is given by Slota Family
In loving memory Peter & Pauline Slota and Jennifer Wetzel.

The **Candle Before the Icon of the Transfiguration** is given
by Michael Maday in loving memory Anna Kulmatiski (100th Birthday).

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Lisa Placek
For God's Blessings & Health for Nikolas Placek.

The **Proscomedial Table** is given by Jenn, Tom, & MaryAnn
In loving memory of Emil Jarolen.

The **Candle Before the Icon of Jesus Christ** is given
For Peace, Hope and Reconciliation in Ukraine & the Middle East.

Join us for a St. Nicholas

Christmas tea

Please bring a dozen of cookies to share, and a dozen of cookies for gifts to our parishioners who are not able to come to church.

3 DECEMBER 2023 / FOLLOWING THE LITURGY

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD
UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
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NANTICOKE, PA 18634

DIVINE LITURGY: 10:30A.M.

Our youth catechism will be serving a light lunch + drinks, and singing carols! Your gracious cookie donations will be served for dessert + used in cookie trays to be delivered.



God arranges for us to meet certain people so that we could pass on the good given to us by God and enriched each other souls. The devil will try to do everything to make sure these meeting become useless and even harmful. Keep this in mind!- **St. Theophan the Recluse**



ASK FATHER A QUESTION? Father, Who were the three kings who went to Bethlehem? Where did they come from? Concerning the Magi; the wise men that bear gifts to the baby Jesus, traditionally three in number and named Melchior, Caspar and Balthazar in Greek, but in fact unknown in number and who they are. We actually know nothing more than they are men from outside Israel, 'from the east', are men of learning and wisdom and they cared to pay homage to The New Born King. It is believed that the number three comes from the tradition of the Three Gifts, 'Gold', 'Frankincense' and 'Myrrh.' Indeed, the Greek names come from those gifts. Melchior from the Greek word for gold. Casper (Gaspar) from Greek or Persian, for "Treasure" and indeed Frankincense was a great treasure in the ancient world, worth more than gold in those days. It was highly valued as a nice fragrance in a place and time when people did not bathe regularly and would no doubt give off quite an aroma. And, Balthazar means 'protect the king,' and myrrh, or oil, has with its meaning a sign of God's protection. Think about the sacrament of Chrismation (Confirmation) where the newly Illumined is anointed with myrrh, accepting the mark of The Holy Spirit on and in themselves. Perhaps they are descendants of the Israelites who were taken into captivity by the Babylonians and did not return to Israel? We don't know. We do know that men of intellect in those days would study the skies (stars) and that they were possibly of Jewish heritage because who else who be concerned with, or know, that a 'Great King' was predicted to be born in the land of the Hebrews? Who else would care? But, here too we just do not know. We know that these men were able to read God's message to mankind given in the stars. We know they came from the east, Persia, perhaps further? You can see very little is known. You might ask why? It is because the message that matters is not who these men are but who it is they have recognized, notably The Messiah, The One from on high, The Son of God who will take away the sins of the world and make heaven a possibility for mankind once again. "The Good News of Jesus Christ" (Gospel) is that Jesus rose from the dead and ascended into heaven, showing mankind what God desires for all mankind.

Psalm 90

This psalm vividly portrays the brevity and fragility of man’s existence on this earth and beseeches God to help us utilize our limited time in this life, properly seeking salvation.

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Before the mountains were born, or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. You turn people back to dust, saying, “Return to dust, you mortals.” A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night. Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death—they are like the new grass of the morning: In the morning it springs up new, but by evening it is dry and withered. We are consumed by your anger and terrified by your indignation. You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence. All our days pass away under your wrath; we finish our years with a moan. Our days may come to seventy years, or eighty, if our strength endures; yet the best of them are but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away. If only we knew the power of your anger! Your wrath is as great as the fear that is your due. Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom. Relent, O Lord! How long will it be? Have compassion on your servants. Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days. Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, for as many years as we have seen trouble. May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children. May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us— yes, establish the work of our hands.



PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH



We pray to You, O almighty and eternal God! Who through Jesus Christ hast revealed Your glory to all nations, to preserve the works of Your mercy, that Your Church, being spread through the whole world, may continue with unchanging faith, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.