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Divine Liturgy Schedule

November 25, 2018

Saturday, November 24

6:00PM

†Michael Hvozda-daughter, MaryAnn Jarolen

Sunday, November 25

10:30AM

TWENTY-SEVEN SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's Blessings and Good Health on All Parishioners

Tuesday, November 27

9:30AM

God's Blessings for Christina Smith- Olympia Pasicznyk

Friday, November 30

9:30AM

†Joseph Kutsup- Anna Kutsup

Saturday, December 1

6:00PM

†Peter Slota- Busko Family

Sunday, December 2

10:30AM

TWENTY-EIGHT SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's Blessings and Good Health on All Parishioners



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners **Nursing Homes:** Doris Conrad **Assisted Living:** Mary Manson, Anna Hopiak, Mary Hoolick **At Home:** Anna Kutsup, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Sophie Staronka **Away:** Leona Kobela **Prayer Request:** Mike Sawczuk; Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko: Fr. Deacon Michael Waak, Fr. Uriy Markewych; Fr. Peter Waslo.

TWENTIETH-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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TROPAR: When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the powers of heaven cried out: “O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You!”

TROPAR: Today is the prelude of the good pleasure of God, and the proclamation of salvation for the human race. In the Temple of God the Virgin is clearly revealed, and beforehand announces Christ to all. To her, then, let us cry aloud with a mighty voice: Rejoice, fulfilment of the Creator’s plan.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

KONDAK: You rose from the tomb, O almighty Saviour; and Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose. Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults. And the world, my Saviour, sings Your praises forever. **Now and for ever and ever. Amen.**

KONDAK: The Saviour’s pure temple, the precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasury of the glory of God, is brought today into the house of the Lord; and with her she brings the grace of the divine Spirit. God’s angels sing in praise of her: She is indeed the heavenly dwelling-place.

PROKEIMON: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Saviour.

A reading of the Epistle from the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians 6:10-17:

Brethren, finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore, put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Lord, grant victory to the king and hear us in the day that we shall call upon You. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. The rich among the people shall entreat your countenance. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel of 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.

INSTEAD OF IT IS TRULY RIGHT: Seeing the entrance of the pure one, angels marvel in wonder how the Virgin could enter the holy of holies. **Irmos:** Let no hand of the profane touch God’s living ark, but instead let the lips of those who are believers sing out ceaselessly in the words of the angel, crying out with great joy to the Mother of God: O pure Virgin, you are truly higher than all.



COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. I will take the cup of salvation; and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



BAPTISM: The Baptism & Chrismation of Madisyn and Isabella Botting will be held on Sunday, December 2. Madisyn and Isabella are the children of Anthony and Samantha Botting. Mnohaya Lita! May God grant them & their family Health & Many Happy Years!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS: Our next adult education will be Saturday, December 15 immediately following Divine Liturgy.



MOVIE: Our next movie/coffee social/visit from Saint Nicholas will be Sunday, December 9 immediately following Diving Liturgy. We will show the movie –We’re No Angels with Humphrey Bogart, Aldo Ray & Peter Ustinov. (By a vote of 1- the priest!) A light social will follow.



PYROHY ORDERS: We have several extra dozen pyrohy for sale (that have now been frozen) in the church freezer. The cost of the potato pyrohy is \$6.00 per dozen.



CHRISTMAS YARD SALE: The Christmas Flea Market will be held Saturday Dec 1, 2018 in the church hall from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Volunteers are needed for cooking in the kitchen. We also need a couple of cashiers. Merchandise is still being accepted in the church basement or church hall. Please call 570-256-7883 if you need stuff picked up. Don't forget your gently used winter coats for the less fortunate and homeless.

CEMETERY: Just a reminder the water has been turned off at the cemetery. If you have any residual flowers/decoration, etc. that need to be removed PRIOR to the ground freezing and the Christmas Season it would be wise to do it now.



WYOMING VALLEY BAND CONCERT: Wyoming Valley Band Concert presents “Christmas in the Air,” at Saint Stephen’s Church, North Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre, on Tuesday, December 18 at 7:30pm. For free admission, please bring a nonperishable food item to donate for Saint Stephen’s Food Bank.



ASK FATHER A QUESTION? Father, Who were the three kings who went to Bethlehem? Where did they come from? Do they fish?

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. 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. Caspar (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, Balthasar 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 82



The theme of this psalm- the maintenance of equity

And justice-is a prerequisite for the continued existence of the world that was revealed on the third day of creation. It is for this reason that it is the Song of the Day for the third day of the week. But this message is not limited only to Courts. In his personal life, every Christian is a judge, for his opinions and decisions about people can affect their lives.

God presides in the great assembly;
he renders judgment among the “gods”:

“How long will you defend the unjust
and show partiality to the wicked?
Defend the weak and the fatherless;
uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.
Rescue the weak and the needy;
deliver them from the hand of the wicked.

“The ‘gods’ know nothing, they understand nothing.
They walk about in darkness;
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

“I said, ‘You are “gods”’;
you are all sons of the Most High.’
But you will die like mere mortals;
you will fall like every other ruler.”

Rise up, O God, judge the earth,
for You shall seek Your inheritance among all the nations.

NOVEMBER CANDLES



The **Eternal Light** is given by the Mrs. Irene Hvozda in loving memory of her husband, Michael Hvozda.

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

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Joan Cominsky in loving memory of John Cominsky.

The **Proscmedia Table** is given by Brian & Joanne Kawczenski
In loving memory of Mary & Leo Kawczenski.

Candle Intentions Before the Icon for the Month of November

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by Theresa Broskoske
In loving memory of Ronald Broskoske.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by Bob & Johanna Longenberger
in memory of Michael Rodko.

The **Candle Before the Theotokos** is given by
the Slota Family in loving memory of Peter & Pauline Slota.

The **Candle Before John the Baptist** is given by
the Slota Family in loving memory of Peter & Pauline Slota.