

Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Divine Liturgy Schedule

December 9, 2018

Saturday, December 8

6:00PM

†Ryan Yanoshak - Yanoshak Family

Sunday, December 9

10:30AM

TWENTY-NINE SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's Blessings and Good Health on All Parishioners

MOVIE "We're No Angels" & PARISH SOCIAL

A Visit from SAINT NICHOLAS

Wednesday, December 12

9:30AM

†Peter Slota (6 months) -Olga Yurkowski

Thursday, December 13

9:30AM

†John Prozeralik - Helen Lipowski

Saturday, December 15

6:00PM

AFTER LITURGY

†Helen Heylek-Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

Sunday, December 16

10:30AM

SUNDAY OF OUR FOREFATHERS

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.

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TROPAR: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection and cast off the ancestral condemnation, they proudly told the apostles: “Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen, granting to the world great mercy.”

TROPAR: Today the chains of barrenness are shattered, for having heard the prayer of Joachim and Anna, against all hope God has openly promised the birth of the Maiden of God, from whom the very infinite One will be born as a man, the One who commanded the angels to cry to her: Rejoice, O full of grace, the Lord is with you. **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.**

KONDAK: My Saviour and Deliverer from the grave as God raised out of bondage the children of the earth and shattered the gates of Hades; and as Master, He rose on the third day. **Now and for ever and ever. Amen.**

KONDAK: Today the whole world celebrates the conception by Anna, which was brought about by God Himself, for she has ineffably borne the one who will bear the Word.

PROKEIMON: How great are Your works, O Lord, You have made all things in wisdom. Bless the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great. God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel.

A reading of the Epistle from the Holy Apostle Paul to the Colossians 3:12-16:

Brethren, therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia(3) In You, Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice. Alleluia(3) You have loved justice and hated iniquity Alleluia(3) The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; He is their protector in time of trouble. Alleluia(3) The Lord will help them and rescue them; He will deliver them from sinners and save them, for they hoped in Him. Alleluia(3).

RESURRECTIONAL(Sunday) GOSPEL: LUKE 17:12-19; FEAST DAY GOSPEL: LUKE 8:16-21



At that time, as he was going into a village, ten men who had leprosy met him. They stood at a distance and called out in a loud voice, “Jesus, Master, have pity on us!” When he saw them, he said, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him—and he was a Samaritan. Jesus asked, “Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Has no one returned to give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Rise and go; your faith has made you well.”

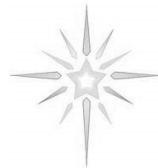
INSTEAD OF IT IS TRULY RIGHT... O my soul, magnify the glorious conception of the Mother of God. **Irmos:** Let us the faithful magnify the Mother of God, wellspring ever-flowing and life-receiving, the light-bearing lamp of grace, the living temple and tabernacle all pure, even more spacious than heaven and earth



COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER FOR DIVINE WISDOM: Eternal God, from Your holy dwelling send down upon us Your Holy Wisdom in order to enlighten our minds. May Divine Wisdom lead us in the ways of truth. May it protect us always from all evil and from every deception that comes from the evil one. Amen.

Christ is coming...Are you ready?



MOVIE: Our next movie/coffee social/visit from Saint Nicholas will be **THIS Sunday, December 9** immediately following Diving Liturgy. We will show the movie – **We're No Angels** with Humphrey Bogart, Aldo Ray & Peter Ustinov. A light social will follow. Father Nicholas will be visiting.....

PARISH COUNCIL: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **Tuesday, December 11th at 6:30PM**. Everyone is welcome!

PARISH DECORATING: We will be decorating the Parish on **Tuesday, December 11th at 5:00PM** prior to the Parish Council Meeting. Everyone is welcome to help!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS: Our next adult education will be Saturday, **December 15** immediately following Divine Liturgy. Homework before class: **The Heavenly Banquet: Read pp. 173-174 The Preparatopm Service; Introduction pp. 30-63; focus on page 47; Section 11, pp. 321 – 353.**



CHRISTMAS YARD SALE: The Christmas Flea Market will be held Saturday Dec 15, 2018 in the church hall from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Volunteers are needed for cooking in the kitchen. The kitchen will serve Potato Pancakes & Haluski. 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.



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.



CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG: " YOU ARE INVITED to join Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Parish for their 25th Annual Christmas Carol Sing Along in the church on North River Street in Wilkes-Barre, Sunday, December 9th, 2018 starting at 2 p.m. Join in the singing of some very sacred, joyful and inspiring Christmas Carols. Afterwards, please join us in the lower church hall for a Christmas Fellowship Social. Please bring a friend or family member, and share the joy of Christmas with them, as we all prepare to welcome the Newborn Son of God into our hearts and homes."



ASK FATHER A QUESTION? Father, Why are there two Gospels? Are there two Epistles? When a major Holy Day falls on a Sunday, the priest has the option to celebrate both the feast of Resurrection, because every Sunday is a "little" Resurrection, and the Feast Day OR to simply celebrate the Resurrectional Sunday. It is most proper to celebrate both. In celebration of both Feasts, all of the church propers, (Tropar, Kondak, Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, Epistle, Gospel, Irmos, Communion Verse), are unique to each Sunday and each major Feast. You will notice that it is not only two Epistles and two Gospels, but there are two themes in all of the propers. I am guessing that your past experience has been that the priest has only taken one Epistle and one Gospel on most or all of the Holy Days that fell on a Sunday. Your past priest was probably always taking the option of celebrating the Resurrectional Sunday. The church rule is this: Because every Sunday is a "little" Resurrection, the Resurrectional propers which include the Epistles and Gospels always take higher precedence on such days. The priest is afforded the option of either celebrating both Feasts - Resurrection and the major Feast Day OR just the Resurrectional/Sunday. I, Father Walter, choose to celebrate both Feasts on all these occasions, because I feel it is most fitting and glorifying to God to thank Him for all the Feast Days. This affords us the option of reading one Epistle or both. Sometimes space does not allow us to "fit" both Epistles due to their length, so we read the one Epistle of Sunday. The same is for the "printing" of both Gospels in the bulletin. We will hear two Gospels, but only "print" one.

Psalm 119⁽¹⁷⁻³²⁾

Psalm 119 is the longest psalm in the Bible. To make sure that it is included in it's entirety- we will break it down into several parts.

Gimel

Be good to your servant while I live,
that I may obey your word.
Open my eyes that I may see
wonderful things in your law.
I am a stranger on earth;
do not hide your commands from me.
My soul is consumed with longing
for your laws at all times.

You rebuke the arrogant, who are accursed,
those who stray from your commands.
Remove from me their scorn and contempt,
for I keep your statutes.
Though rulers sit together and slander me,
your servant will meditate on your decrees.
Your statutes are my delight;
they are my counselors.

Daleth

I am laid low in the dust;
preserve my life according to your word.
I gave an account of my ways and you answered me;
teach me your decrees.
Cause me to understand the way of your precepts,
that I may meditate on your wonderful deeds.
My soul is weary with sorrow;
strengthen me according to your word.
Keep me from deceitful ways;
be gracious to me and teach me your law.
I have chosen the way of faithfulness;
I have set my heart on your laws.
I hold fast to your statutes, LORD;
do not let me be put to shame.
I run in the path of your commands,
for you have broadened my understanding. (To be Continued....)





DECEMBER CANDLES

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Ellen Kobela in loving memory of her father, Wasil Kobela.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & Mary Ann Potsko in loving memory of Henry, Helen & Joseph Heylek.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Gerri Adamchak in loving memory of her father, Nicholas Salonski.

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by Mark & Arlene Jennings in loving memory of Peter & Anna Wrobel and Robert Jennings.

Candle Intentions Before the Icon for the Month of December

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by Brian & Joanne Kawczenski in loving memory of Mary & Joseph Englot.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by Mary Ann Jarolen in for the deceased members Hvozda & Frankowski Families.

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.