

Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Divine Liturgy Schedule

December 30, 2018

Saturday, December 29

6:00PM

Sunday, December 30

10:30AM

SATURDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

†David Trimell- wife, Irene Quirion

SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS-DAVID, JOSEPH & JAMES

God's Blessings and Good Health on All Parishioners

Monday, December 31

**6:30PM

CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD

†Dorothy Swiderski- Peter Slota

Myrovania- Anointing of Holy Oil

Saturday, January 5

6:00PM

Sunday, January 6

10:30AM

†Peter Slota- Nellie Glzenski

Blessing of Water/ Myrovania- Anointing of Holy Oil

FEAST OF THEOPHANY

God's Blessings and Good Health on All Parishioners

Blessing of Water/ Myrovania- Anointing of Holy Oil



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.

SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
December 30, 2018



ANTIPHON 1

I will confess You, Lord, with all my heart, I will declare all Your wondrous deeds.

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

In the council of the just and the congregation, great are the works of the Lord, conforming to His will in every way.

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

His work is filled with praise and majesty, and His righteousness endures forever.

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

Glory... Now... Only-Begotten Son...

TROPAR: By Your cross You destroyed death; You opened Paradise to the thief; You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy, and charged the apostles to proclaim that You are risen, O Christ our God, offering great mercy to the world.

TROPAR: Your Nativity, O Christ our God, made the light of knowledge dawn on the world: through it, those who worshipped the stars were taught by a star to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know that You, the Dawn from on the high. Glory to You, O Lord.

TROPAR: O Joseph, announce to David, the ancestor of God, the news of the miracle: You saw a virgin giving birth. With the shepherds, you gave praise and with the Magi you worshipped; they too were warned by an angel. Pray to Christ our God to save our souls.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

KONTAKION: Today the divine David is filled with gladness; Joseph along with James offers praises for having received a crown through their kinship with Christ they rejoice and sing of the One who inexpressibly was born on earth, crying out, "O Gracious One, save those who worship You."

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

KONTAKION: The Virgin today gives birth to Him who is above all being; the earth offers the cave to Him whom no one can approach; Angel with shepherds give Him glory, while Magi make their way with a star, for to us is born a little Child – the pre-eternal God.

PROKEIMENON: God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel. **verse:** In the churches bless God, the Lord from the fountains of Israel.

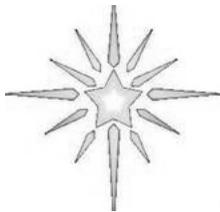
A reading of the Epistle from the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews Galatians 1:11-19:

Brethren, I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel I preached is not of human origin. I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it; rather, I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my previous way of life in Judaism, how intensely I persecuted the church of God and tried to destroy it. I was advancing in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people and was extremely zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when God, who set me apart from my mother's womb and called me by his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son in me so that I might preach him among the Gentiles, my immediate response was not to consult any human being. I did not go up to Jerusalem to see those who were apostles before I was, but I went into Arabia. Later I returned to Damascus. Then after three years, I went up to Jerusalem to get acquainted with Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days. I saw none of the other apostles—only James, the Lord's brother.



ALLELUIA: ALLELUIA (3). Lord, remember David and all his meekness. Alleluia (3). How he swore an oath to the Lord, and vowed to the God of Jacob. Alleluia (3).

A Reading of the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (2:13-23):



When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." So, he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: "Out of Egypt I called my son." When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled: "A voice is heard in Ramah, weeping and great mourning, Rachel weeping for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are no more." After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother and go to

the land of Israel, for those who were trying to take the child's life are dead." So, he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets, that he would be called a Nazarene.

HYMN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD: O my soul, magnify Christ the King born in a manger.

Irmos: A strange and glorious mystery do I behold: the cave is heaven; the Virgin, the throne of the cherubim; the manger, a dwelling place in which is laid Christ, the God Whom nothing can contain. Singing His praises, we magnify Him.

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.

Instead of "Blessed is He who comes..." we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is born of a Virgin.

Instead of "We have seen the true light..." we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is born of a Virgin.

Instead of "May our mouths..." and "Blessed be the Name..." we sing:

All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is born of a Virgin. (3)

LITURGY INTENTIONS: If you are offering a Divine Liturgy for a specific day for your beloved or other intentions for 2019, please make sure you turn it into the rectory in order to make sure that you get the exact time that you would like.



CHURCH NEWS ...

Christ is Born!- Glorify Him!

Khrystos Razhdayetsia! Slavyte Yeho!

CONFERENCE FOR KATHERINE MASH: Katherine is currently attending West Chester University and is planning to attend SEEK 2019 Conference presented by FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) in Indianapolis, Indiana. The cost of the conference, hotel, meals, transportation and registration for this five-day event is \$839.00. Katie is reaching out for our support to help defray the expenses so that she may experience this National Catholic Conference. If you would like to support Katherine-please contact the rectory. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

PYROHY SALE: We will be making pyrohy on **Saturday, January 19th at 8:30am.** **The cost of potato pyrohy will now be \$7.00 per dozen.** You can place your order by calling Geri Adamchak at 570-824-3880. (We will make approximately 100 dozen.) Please come out and help.

MYASOPUSNA 2019: The date for Myasopusna is **February 24, 2019.** We will be making pyrohy for this event on February 16th at 8:30am. Please come out and help.



THE RACE IS ON: The Three Wise Men and Joshua the Camel have begun their trek across the desert to pay homage to the newborn King of Israel. **Who will get there first?** Will it be Melchoire, Gasper, Balthazar or Joshua the Camel? Is that Casper in the lead???? We hope for their arrival on the Feast of Theophany – Sunday, January 6. **Watch the church yard for the progress.**

SVIACHENNE: The 2019 Sviachenne will be on **May 5, 2019.** Please save the date.

BLESSING OF HOMES: If anyone wishes to have Father Walter bless their home, please use the envelope in your collection box or leave a note in the collection basket. Also, please let Father know if a visit during daytime hours is possible. No donation is required- even though the envelope says requested amount.



ASK FATHER A QUESTION? *Father, I am not sure I remember seeing the Holy Doors being opened and closed before, what is all the opening and closing of the Holy Doors about that I saw on Christmas Eve?*

There are several things going on with the opening and closing of the Holy Doors and several times when you should see that in every Divine Liturgy. What you should see every Sunday is that the priest opens the doors, incenses the whole church, then asks God to bless all the people while making the sign of the cross with the Gospel book (The Logos, the Eternal Word of God, i.e. Jesus Christ) over the Altar, then the priest is supposed to close the Holy Doors. The doors are next opened for the Little Entrance, with the Gospel book (The Logos) and remains open until after the reading of the Gospel. Upon finishing the Gospel the doors are closed again and are not opened until the Great Entrance, with the gifts which will become the Body and Blood of Christ. Following the placing of the gifts on the altar and the incensing the Holy Doors are closed again. The doors are not opened again until after The Our Father and the Communion Prayer have been prayed and when it is time for the Priest to distribute the Holy Eucharist, Communion [common-union]. Following the distribution of the Holy Eucharist the doors are not closed again until after the Divine Liturgy has been completed. At the very least these actions are done at all the Liturgies of Saint Basil. Two major things are going on with the Holy Doors. One, it is more important to see into Heaven, Eternity, than to “see what the priest is doing” as icons truly are windows into heaven and you get to “encounter” God on Earth, live for a time Heaven on Earth. Second, with the closing and opening of the doors prior to the Holy Eucharist the faithful get a sense, a feeling that while we encounter Heaven on Earth, we are still not yet in Paradise and once we receive Holy Eucharist, the Living Christ, our Blessed Lord, Savior and Redeemer, the Doors to Paradise are now opened to us Eternally. You see, the Divine Liturgy is not merely “celebrated” but is indeed lived. This is why all the opening and closing of the Holy Doors. If you desire to know more about this speak with your priest. God bless you and have a most Blessed Christmas Season.

CHURCH CALENDARS: Church Calendars are available in the basement. Church envelopes are currently processing and will be made available the minute they arrive.

PARISH COUNCIL: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **Tuesday, February 12th, 2019 at 6:30PM.** Everyone is welcome!



Psalm 119(65-80)

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. It is being broken down by letter of the Hebrew Alphabet.



Teth

Do good to your servant
according to your word, LORD.
Teach me knowledge and good judgment,
for I trust your commands.
Before I was afflicted I went astray,
but now I obey your word.
You are good, and what you do is good;
teach me your decrees.
Though the arrogant have smeared me with lies,
I keep your precepts with all my heart.
Their hearts are callous and unfeeling,
but I delight in your law.
It was good for me to be afflicted
so that I might learn your decrees.
The law from your mouth is more precious to me
than thousands of pieces of silver and gold.

Yodh

Your hands made me and formed me;
give me understanding to learn your commands.
May those who fear you rejoice when they see me,
for I have put my hope in your word.
I know, LORD, that your laws are righteous,
and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.
May your unfailing love be my comfort,
according to your promise to your servant.

Let your compassion come to me that I may live,
for your law is my delight.
May the arrogant be put to shame for wronging me without cause;
but I will meditate on your precepts.
May those who fear you turn to me,
those who understand your statutes.
May I wholeheartedly follow your decrees,
that I may not be put to shame. **(To be Continued...)**

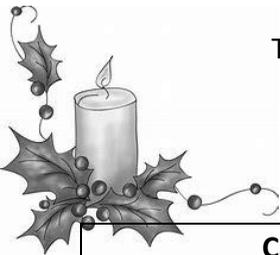
JANUARY CANDLES

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Yanoshak Family in loving memory of Steve, John, & Russell Yanoshak all of whom had January Birthdays.

The **Altar Candles** are given by the Koretz Family in loving memory of Leo Koretz.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by MaryAnn & Donna Kelly in loving memory of Joseph Boback.

The **Proscomedial Table** is given by Irene Hvozda For God's Blessings & Good Health for Beth Davis.



Candle Intentions Before the Icon for the Month of December

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by MaryAnn Jarolen For God's Blessings & Good Health for Beth Davis.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by Irene Hvozda 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.