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## Divine Liturgy Schedule November 21, 2021



**Saturday, November 20**  
6:00 PM

**ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS INTO THE TEMPLE**

† Anna Ozehowski- Alberola & Weron Families

**Sunday, November 21**  
10:30 AM

**ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS INTO THE TEMPLE**

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners

**Monday, November 22**  
10:00 AM

God's Blessings on America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

**Tuesday, November 23**  
10:00 AM

God's Blessings & Good Health for Ted Wurster-Anna Kutsup

**Wednesday, November 24**

10:00 AM

God's Blessings for All Parishioners in Thanksgiving to God

**Thursday, November 25**  
9:00 AM

**THANKSGIVING DAY**

† Dwayne Oshinski- Placek Family

**Saturday, November 27**  
6:00 PM

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

God's Blessings on Joan Skordy- Helen Lipowski

**Sunday, November 28**  
10:30 AM

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners



**Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners:** Please pray for our Parishioners

**Assisted Living:** Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Anna Kutsup, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Marion Hvozda, Sophie Staronka, Josephine Latoszewski; MaryAnn Kelly **Away:** Leona Kobela **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko; Fr. Uriy Markewych; Fr. Peter Waslo; Bishop John Bura Emeritus; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG;

Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Fr. Daniel Gurovich. Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Marion Hvozda; Rita Kurtz, Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber, John R. Benjamin.

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 21, 2021

**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.

**TROPAR:** Today is the prelude of the good pleasure of God, and the proclamation of salvation for mankind. 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 now and forever and ever. Amen**

**KONDAK:** The Savior'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.

**PROKIMEN:** Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You. verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. (No Repeat.)

### **A reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews (9:1-7):**



Brethren, now the first covenant had regulations for worship and also an earthly sanctuary. A tabernacle was set up. In its first room were the lampstand and the table with its consecrated bread; this was called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain was a room called the Most Holy Place, which had the golden altar of incense and the gold-covered ark of the covenant. This ark contained the gold jar of manna, Aaron's staff that had budded, and the stone tablets of the covenant. Above the ark were the cherubim of the Glory, overshadowing the atonement cover. But we cannot discuss these things in detail now. When everything had been arranged like this, the priests entered regularly into the outer room to carry on their ministry. But only the high priest entered the inner room, and that only once a year, and never without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed in ignorance.



**ALLELUIA: (3).** God gives me vindication and has subdued people under me. (3). Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever. Alleluia (3). Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear. Alleluia (3).

**Luke 12:16-21:**

The Lord told this parable: “The land of a certain rich man brought forth abundant crops. And he began to take thought within himself, saying, ‘What shall I do, for I have no room to store my crops?’ And he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store up all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have many good things laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry [happy].’ But God said to him, ‘You fool, this night do they demand your soul of you; and the things that you have provided, whose will they be?’ So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich as regards God.” After He had said this, He cried out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”

**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. 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. I will take the chalice of salvation; and I will call upon the name of the Lord. I will take the chalice of salvation; and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



**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.

**CHURCH NEWS .... "Every day is a Holy Day of Opportunity. Pray Without Ceasing.**

**BELATED HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** A Very Happy Belated Happy Birthday to Mrs. Helen Bogdan who celebrated her birthday on November 12. Mnohaya Lita! May God grant her and her Family May Blessed, Happy & Healthy Years!



**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SALE:** The Christmas sale will be held Saturday Nov 27, December 4 and December 11 from 9 a.m, to 2 p.m. and Sunday December 12 from noon to 2 p.m. Baskets will be raffled at 1 p.m. Sunday Dec 12. Food is available to eat in or take out. We are still collecting new or gently used Christmas items. **NO CLOTHING PLEASE.** Questions or concerns, please call 570-256-7883. Help is always appreciated

**PYROHY:** Our deepest gratitude to our PYROHY GROUP! Thank You!



**SHARING THE TRADITION:** (Thanksgiving Day Meal-Thursday, November 25)  
Sharing the tradition is a time to give a Thanksgiving Meal to those who are unable to experience a traditional meal due to health or family circumstance. To schedule delivery of a meal call Yalch Insurance 570-474-6300. (Delivery to Nanticoke, Newport, Mt. Top, Wapwallopen, Mocanaqua, Shickshinny, Ashley, Sugar Notch, Warrior Run). (Delivery reserves the right to limit the number of dinners available to one household. See Bulletin Board in Back of Church for More Details.)

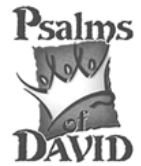


Remembrance Day of Holodomor (death by starvation) in Ukraine is **November 27, 2021**. Remembrance Day for the Victims is annually observed in Ukraine on the fourth Saturday in November. This Remembrance Day is dedicated to the events of 1932-1933, that took millions of lives of the Ukrainians.

**Collectivization = Starvation**

A law enacted in August 1932 ("The Law of Five Ears of Grain") stated that anyone, even a child, caught taking any produce from a collective field could be shot or imprisoned for stealing "socialist property." A decree in January 1933 sealed the borders. To further ensure that Ukrainian farmers did not leave their villages to seek food in the cities, the Soviet government started a system of internal passports, denied to farmers, so that they could not travel or obtain a train ticket without permission. Those caught attempting to flee to the cities or beyond Ukraine's borders, where conditions were better, were imprisoned or sent home to die.

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.



**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense 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, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.



## NOVEMBER CANDLES

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by Lisa Placek

In loving memory of George Palermo.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Brian & Joanne Kawczenski

In loving memory of Michael & Anna Yanoschak.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given Lisa Placek for

God's Blessings on Nikolas Placek.

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by MaryAnn Jarolen in

loving memory of her father, Michael Hvozda.

The **Candle before John the Baptist** is given by

Lisa, Nikolas & Benjamin Placek in loving memory of Olga Yurkowski.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by Donna Davis

For the Deceased Members of the Hvozda and Frankowski Families.

The **Candle before the Icon of the Theotokos** is

Given by Bob & Johanna Longenberger in loving memory of Michael Rodko.

The **Icon Table Candle before the Theotokos** is

Given by Lisa Placek & Helen Lipowski in

loving memory of Irene Hvozda.

## Nativity Fast Traditions for Byzantine Catholics

Source: [Holy Protection of Mary Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix](#)

The Byzantine Catholic Church invites all to participate more fully in the central mysteries of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through her calendar of feasts and fasts. The feast of the Nativity of Our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ (Christmas, December 25) is one of the great feasts of the Church year, celebrating the birth of the Messiah (which in Hebrew means "He who is anointed by the Spirit" or in Greek, *Christos*), Jesus Christ. Christ was born into the world through the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary to offer us the wondrous gifts of salvation and theosis, our transformation into the likeness of God, by sharing in His holiness through the energies of His grace. Through this mystery we celebrate in the Nativity, we too are invited to become the children of God, sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father. But this transformation does not occur overnight. Rather, it requires a rediscovery of the essential disciplines of a disciple of Jesus Christ. **Training for Body, Mind and Spirit:** For Saint Paul, Christian discipleship is like an athletic contest in an arena, which requires both training and effort. This is the root of the Christian understanding of asceticism and praxis. By training our body, mind and spirit with the help of God's grace to seek and follow His commands and cultivate the virtues of the saints, in turn we help

to extract the poison of corruption, sin and death within our own lives and to realize the saving and transforming power of Christ's life given to us in Holy Baptism. The Church has traditionally taught four main ways to engage in Christian asceticism, no matter what our state in life. These are prayer, fasting, almsgiving and love. By actively engaging in these disciplines of discipleship during the time of the fast, we unite ourselves more perfectly to Christ as we celebrate the joy of the feast of His Nativity. **Christian Praxis Activities:** In anticipation of the advent or "coming" of the Messiah that we celebrate during the feast of the Nativity on December 25, Byzantine Christians enter into a time of preparation known as the "Nativity Fast" ("St. Philip's Fast" or "Pilipiwka" since it begins each year on November 15, the day after the Feast of St. Philip the Apostle). As with most periods of fast before the great feasts, the Nativity Fast is a time for a deeper interior conversion to Christ by embracing the four forms of Christian praxis. Below we offer some suggestions for ways to put into practice the four forms of Christian praxis or asceticism during the Nativity fast. **Prayer:** Spend at least 15 minutes in the morning and evening in prayer each day. Pray the Jesus Prayer, "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner." 100 times a day. Display an icon of the Nativity in the prayer corner of your house or room and spend 10 minutes each day meditating on the saving mysteries surrounding the story of Christ's Birth. Receive the Mystery of Repentance (Confession) at least once during the fast. Use the prayer guide with family or friends. **Fasting:** Abstain from meat and dairy products on Monday, Wednesdays and Fridays. Dairy is allowed on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but still no meat. Fast from certain foods, such as soda, alcoholic beverages or candy. With each meal, eat only an amount that is sufficient for nutritional needs, without feeling full. Fast from select forms of entertainment (television, movies, radio, internet, novels, etc.) **Almsgiving:** Give your time, talent and/or treasure to a parish outreach or a authentic Catholic or authentic charity. Increase your parish tithe for the season. Clean out your house of any excessive items or possessions and share them with the poor and needy. Purchase gifts for homeless or needy children or families. **Love:** Meditate on the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes and identify one or two of these to put into practice each week. Examine your conscience each night[in preparation for confession], asking for forgiveness from God or others as needed. Find opportunities to share your faith with others.