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Divine Liturgy Schedule

January 9, 2021

Khrystos Razhdayetsia! Slavyte Yeho!
Christ is Born! Glorify Him!



Saturday, January 8

6:00 PM

Sunday, January 9

10:30 AM

Monday, January 10

10:00 AM

Wednesday, January 12

10:00 AM

Thursday, January 13

10:00 AM

Friday, January 14

10:00 AM

Saturday, January 15

6:00 PM

Sunday, January 16

10:30 AM

SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

†Beverly Messimer – Alberola & Weron Families

SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners

God's Blessings on America - Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

†John Lipowski - Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

†Kaminsky & Augustine Families- Denise Kaminsky

†Michalene Barton- Sandra Zbierski

THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

†Andrew Kobela- Ellen Alqrainy

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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, 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); Rita Kurtz, Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber.

SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

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Antiphon 1

When Israel came forth from Egypt, the house of Jacob from an alien people.

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

Judah became His sanctuary, Israel His dominion.

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

The sea beheld this and fled, the Jordan turned back on its course.

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

Why was it, O sea, that you fled, that you, O Jordan, turned back on your course?

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



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

Antiphon 3

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

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

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

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

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

Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

ENTRANCE: Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Son of God, baptized by John in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

TROPAR: You came down from on High, O most merciful One and accepted three days of burial to free us from our sufferings. O Lord, O Light and out Resurrection, glory be to You.

TROPAR: When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan, worship of the Trinity was revealed; the voice of the Father bore witness to You, naming You the beloved Son, and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the word's certainty. Glory to You, O Christ God, who appeared and enlightened the world.

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

KONDAK: Today, You have appeared to the world and Your light, O Lord, has been signed on us, who with knowledge sing Your praises. You have come, You have appeared, O unapproachable Light.

PROKIMEN: Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord; God the Lord has appeared to us. *verse:* Give thanks to the Lord for He is good for His mercy endures forever. Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord; God the Lord has appeared to us.



A reading of the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians 4:7-13:

Brethren, but to each one of us grace as has been given as Christ apportioned it. This is why it says: “When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people.” What does “he ascended” mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe. So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.



ALLELUIA: ALLELUIA (3). Bring to the Lord, you sons of God; bring to the Lord young rams. ALLELUIA (3). The voice of the Lord is over the waters, the God of glory has thundered, the Lord reigns over vast waters. ALLELUIA (3).

Gospel of Matthew 4: 12 - 17



At that time when Jesus heard that John had been delivered up, he withdrew into Galilee. And leaving the town of Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capharnaum, which is by the sea, in the territory of Zabulon and Nephthalim, that there might be fulfilled what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet, “Land of Zabulon and land of Nephthalim, by the way to the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles: The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light; and upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death, a light has arisen.” From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

INSTEAD OF: “It is Truly Right...”: O my soul, magnify Christ the King, baptized in the Jordan. Irmos: Every tongue is at a loss to praise you as is your due, O Mother of God. Even a spirit from above is filled with dizziness when seeking to sing your praises. But since you are good accept our faith, for you know well our love inspired by God. For it is you who protect all Christians; therefore, we magnify you.

COMMUNION HYMN: The grace of God has appeared bringing salvation to all. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. ALLELUIA (3).

Instead of “Blessed is He who comes...” “We have seen the true light...” “May our mouths...” and “Blessed be the Name...” we sing: All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan.

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH

O Glorious St. Joseph, you were chosen by God to be the foster father of Jesus, the most pure spouse of Mary, ever Virgin, and the head of the Holy Family. You have been chosen by Christ’s Vicar as the heavenly Patron and Protector of the Church founded by Christ. Protect the Sovereign Pontiff and all bishops and priests united with him. Be the protector of all who labor for souls amid the trials and tribulations of this life; and grant that all peoples of the world may follow Christ and the Church He founded. Dear St. Joseph, accept the offering I make to you. Be my father, protector, and guide in the way of salvation. Obtain for me purity of heart and a love for the spiritual life. After your example, let all my actions be directed to the greater glory of God, in union with the Divine Heart of Jesus, the Immaculate Heart of Mary and your own paternal heart. Finally, pray for me that I may share in the peace and joy of your holy death. Amen.



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.



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

PRAYERS: Please keep Anna Kutsup in your thoughts and prayers.

MYOSOPUSNA 2022: Myasopusna will fall on **Sunday, February 20th**. We will have a meeting on **Tuesday, January 11th at 7:00PM** to discuss this event or a similar Lenten Event.

PARISH MEETING: We need to have a meeting to discuss the combing of Parishes. We are looking for feedback to schedule this meeting in conjunction with Father Waslo in the New Year.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING: On Sundays, after Divine Liturgy we will sing a few Christmas after Liturgy has ended to celebrate the Christmas Season. The Christmas Season continues until **February 2**. Everyone is welcome to stay and participate! Thank You Dr. Richard!

BLESSING OF HOMES: If anyone wishes to have Father Walter bless their home, please contact the rectory at 570-735-2262 or put a request in the collection basket.

CANDLES: The 2022 Candle Sheets are now I the back of the Church.

CHURCH ENVELOPES: The church envelopes have not yet arrived. You can put your donation in an envelope with you name- keep in mind that **we do not use the Church Envelope Numbers to identify a parishioner.** **If you need a plain envelope, there is on available in the back of the church OR you can take a handful of redacted(Numbers & Dates on the Envelopes Blacked Out) church envelopes to use! Help Yourself!**

TFP Presentation: The Scheduled Presentation for January 16 is being postponed. There will be a TFP Presentation during the Lenten Season.



CHRISTMAS FLEA MARKETS OF CHRISTMAS FUTURE: If anyone has a gently used Christmas Tree, Nativity, Outdoor Decorations, etc. that they are no longer using and wish to donate to the church for Flea Markets of Christmas Future please contact the rectory 570-735-2262 or Johanna 570-256-7883. You don't need to hold on to that tree to next November!

JANUARY CANDLES

The **Altar Candles** are given by Father Walter Pasicznyk

In loving memory of Ihor Pasicznyk & Family.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Anna Kutsup

In loving memory of Anna Kucab.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by MaryAnn Jarolen

For the Deceased Members of the Hvozda and Frankowski Families.

The Icon Table Candle before the Theotokos is Given by Lisa Placek

& Helen Lipowski in loving memory of Catherine Slota.

The **Proskomedia Table** is given by Lisa Placek &

Helen Lipowski for God's Blessings on Anna Kutsup.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Olympia Pasicznyk

in loving memory of the Kuczeriawa and Rogozinska Families.



Psalm 104 (1-13)

(Psalm of Creation)

Bless the LORD, O my soul!



O LORD my God, You are very great; You are clothed with splendor and majesty,
Covering Yourself with light as with a cloak, Stretching out heaven like a tent curtain.

He lays the beams of His upper chambers in the waters;

He makes the clouds His chariot; He walks upon the wings of the wind;

He makes the winds His messengers, Flaming fire His ministers.

He established the earth upon its foundations, So that it will not totter forever and ever.

You covered it with the deep as with a garment; The waters were standing above the
mountains. At Your rebuke they fled, At the sound of Your thunder they hurried away.

The mountains rose; the valleys sank down To the place which You established for them.

You set a boundary that they may not pass over, So that they will not return to cover the

earth. He sends forth springs in the valleys; They flow between the mountains;

They give drink to every beast of the field; The wild donkeys quench their thirst.

Beside them the birds of the heavens dwell; They lift up their voices among the
branches.

He waters the mountains from His upper chambers; The earth is satisfied with the fruit of His works. He causes the grass to grow for the cattle, And vegetation for the labor of man, So that he may bring forth food from the earth, And wine which makes man's heart glad, So that he may make his face glisten with oil, And food which sustains man's heart.

The trees of the LORD drink their fill, The cedars of Lebanon which He planted, Where the birds build their nests, And the stork, whose home is the fir trees. The high mountains are for the wild goats; The cliffs are a refuge for the shephanim.

He made the moon for the seasons; The sun knows the place of its setting. You appoint darkness and it becomes night, In which all the beasts of the forest prowl about. The young lions roar after their prey And seek their food from God.

When the sun rises they withdraw And lie down in their dens. Man goes forth to his work And to his labor until evening. O LORD, how many are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all; The earth is full of Your possessions. There is the sea, great and broad,

In which are swarms without number, Animals both small and great.

There the ships move along, And Leviathan, which You have formed to sport in it.

They all wait for You To give them their food in due season.

You give to them, they gather it up; You open Your hand, they are satisfied with good.

You hide Your face, they are dismayed; You take away their spirit, they expire

And return to their dust. You send forth Your Spirit, they are created;

And You renew the face of the ground. Let the glory of the LORD endure forever;

Let the LORD be glad in His works; He looks at the earth, and it trembles;

He touches the mountains, and they smoke. I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being. Let my meditation be pleasing to Him;

As for me, I shall be glad in the LORD. Let sinners be consumed from the earth

And let the wicked be no more. Bless the LORD, O my soul.

Praise the LORD!



Father I have a question for you- how long is the “Christmas Season?”

Like Easter, Christmas is the only other feast that has a 40 day long Preparation Period (Phillip’s Fast) and 40-day Festal Period. Also, like Easter, Christmas is an eight day feast. You might remember that on Easter and the entire week following the Royal Doors and Deacon Doors are open because it is seven days of Sunday. In our church, there are Feasts that 1, 3, and 8 days. On the Feasts that last more than one day, the final day of the Feast is called the Leave-Taking. The Leave-Taking of Christmas is December 31. If you pay attention to the Liturgies, Daily and Sunday, throughout the course of the year, you will notice that for the Feast Day itself, there are multiple special prayers for the Feast, Old Testament Readings, Antiphons, Tropars, Kondaks, Prayers to the Mother of God, Communion Hymns and Ambvon (Priest’s Prayers). For the Feasts that last several days, you will notice that some of the special prayers will be included during this period. Possibly, the Antiphons, Tropars, Kondaks, and Prayers to the Mother of God-(It is Truly Right...). For the forty day Festal Period, we don’t include all of those prayers liturgically, but you know it is the forty day Festal Period because of the greeting Christ is Born! Glorify Him! Part of the confusion with Christmas is that we have the Feast of Theophany, Synaxis of the Mother of God, Synaxis of St. John the Baptist, and the Feast of St. Stephen, in the middle of the Christmas Season, this does not negate the Christmas Festal Period that concludes with the Encounter of Our Lord with Simeon.