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MYSTERY OF HOLY CONFESSION: Before & after Saturday evening Vespers. Other Sacraments by appointment.

GOING TO THE HOSPITAL? Please notify Father when you are admitted if you want him to visit. Kindly notify Father also when you are discharged.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2017 DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM
GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!
SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA NA V'IKI!

THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT: Antiphon "Bless the Lord, O my soul" on p. 8. The Beatitudes on pp. 14-15. Propers for Tone 1 on pp. 81-83. "Zastupnice" from the hand-out sheets.

EPISTLE: Ephesians 5:9-19. GOSPEL: Luke 12:16-21.

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES
For the week of December 3:

Sun., December 3: (After Liturgy) **Panachida** in memory of +Andy Troyanovich. Requested by Rosalie & Family.

6:00 PM: **Great Vespers** with Litija for the Feast of the *Entry of the Birthgiver of God into the Temple.*

**Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple
Monday, December 4**

9:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy** for the Feast of the *Entry of the Birthgiver of God into the Temple*. Special Antiphons and all Propers can be found on pp. 118-122. There will be *Mirovanije* (festive anointing) at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

6:00 PM: **Parastas** in memory of +**Burl Matthews**. Requested by Virginia Polinsky.

Wed., December 6: (6:30 PM) **Moleben** to Saint Nicholas of Myra.

Sat., December 9: (6:00 PM) **Great Vespers** for the *27th Sunday after Pentecost*. Propers for Tone 2 and the Great Martyr James of Persia.

**Sunday, December 10
The 27th Sunday after Pentecost**

9:30 AM: **Preparation Prayers** for Holy Communion.

10:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy** for the *27th Sunday after Pentecost and the Second Sunday of Advent*. Antiphon “*Bless the Lord, O my soul*” on p. 8. The Beatitudes on pp. 14-15. Propers for Tone 2 on pp. 84-86. “*Zastupnice*” from the hand-out sheets. There will be *Mirovanije* (festive anointing) at the end of today’s Liturgy in honor of the Holy Day of the *Entry of the Birthgiver of God into the Temple*.

THE ETERNAL LAMP burns with prayers for the **health** of **Carol & Frank Latimer**. Requested by Judy Moore.

THE RIGHT SIDE ALTAR LAMPS (Diakonikon) burn with prayers for **Laney & Anna Ross**. Requested by Laney & Cindi Ross.

THE TETRAPOD LAMPS burn with prayers for **Special Intentions**. Requested by Theresa Reese.

YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE will be held on **Wednesday, December 6 at 7:00 PM**. Our young people will be practicing material for their Saint Nicholas Dinner Singing Program.

OUR BIBLE STUDY GROUP will meet *this coming* **Thursday, December 7 at 6:30 PM**.

THE SWEARING-IN of Parish Council Officers and Trustees will take place at the end of Divine Liturgy *next Sunday, December 10*. It is essential that all Council members be present to be sworn-in.

OUR MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING will be held *next* **Sunday, December 10**.

SPECIAL THANKS to the following parishioners who recently donated a case of altar wine to be used in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy: **Marie Kovalcik; Cindi Ross; Mary Ann Troyanovich** and our **Ladies Altar Society**. *Many Years and God Bless!*

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING ENVELOPES have been included with today’s bulletin. Please use these envelopes if you wish to donate a Christmas Flower (or Flowers) in memory of a departed loved one and/or with prayers for the health & salvation of the living. Names and donors will be published in the Christmas edition of the bulletin.

OUR THANKSGIVING COLLECTIONS brought in a total of **\$900.00**, as well as numerous non-perishable food items. Your charitable donations were delivered to the **Bridgeport Food Pantry**, and will help local folks in need. *Many thanks to everyone who contributed so generously! God bless you!*

COOKIE TRAY SALE. The Ladies Altar Society Cookie Tray Sale is ON! You can order your cookies trays today by signing-up on the list posted in the back of the church. Cookie Trays will include **5 dozen assorted cookies** and are **\$25 per tray**. Trays are limited, so place your order **TODAY!** Trays will be available for pick-up on **Friday, December 22**.

COOKIE BAKERS NOTE: We have **18 bakers** participating in the cookie tray sale. Please follow the following guidelines: Each baker is asked to *bake 10 dozen of 1 kind of cookie*. Cookies will need to be dropped-off to the church in a sealed container by **Tuesday, December 19**. Make sure your container is *labeled with your name* so it can be returned to you.

THE ADVENT WREATH service will continue to be held **each Sunday** of the Nativity Fast at **9:50 AM**. Our young people are invited to come up front and help light the candles; and we invite an older student to read a Scripture lesson. Those who wish to participate should be in church by **9:45 AM!**

WE THANK Marie Kovalcik for polishing the Processional Cross and the two Liturgical Fans from behind the Altar. **Many Years! May God bless you!**

THE ADVENT JOURNEY

Let us journey towards the Feast of the Nativity with joyous hearts! Fast not only from food, but also from hatred and fear. Bring forth goodness and kindness to all. Forgive. Be generous. In all things, give glory to God.

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

6 Brianne Street * **10** Robert Strain * **10** Harv Hurley * **12** Chase Cargnel * **14** Samantha Street * **17** Paul Foster * **17** Christopher Street * **19** Dr. Fausto Lazo * **24** Sam Zitterich * **26** Dyana Aziz * **31** Noah Zitterich.

HAPPY DECEMBER ANNIVERSARY

24 Harv & Kim Hurley.

SYMPATHY. We offer our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy to Teresa Zitterich, her mother Linda, and the Zitterich Family on the falling asleep of father, husband and grandfather **+Burl Matthews**. *May his memory be eternal!*

WE THANK the **Karpinski Family** for donating two of the late **Elizabeth Karpinski's paintings** to our church. As some of you may know, Elizabeth was quite an accomplished artist. We also thank **Bob Reese**, who is in the process of hanging these paintings in the church.

2018 ECCLESIASTICAL WALL CALENDARS are **now available** in the **back** of the church.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Sunday Divine Liturgy (11/26) — 89
Moleben of Saint Nicholas (11/29) — 18

A **50/50 RAFFLE** will be held in conjunction with our Saint Nicholas Dinner. See **Carolyn** for tickets.

CHILD COUNT. In preparation for Saint Nicholas' visit on **Sunday, December 17**, we need to know the total number of children who will be present at the Saint Nicholas Dinner. Please give your child count to **Pan'i**.

OUR CHURCH SCHOOL STUDENTS will be collecting monies for the ***ZOE for Life*** Advent Project at the Saint Nicholas Dinner. Please support this vital ministry!

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2017

Saturday, December 16 — Church Cleaning. 10 AM.

Sunday, December 17 — Saint Nicholas Dinner.

Saturday, December 30 — Tree Decorating. 9 AM.
