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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, NOVEMBER 26, 2017 DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM
GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!
SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA NA V'IKI!

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: Regular Sunday Antiphons and the Beatitudes. Propers for Tone 8 on pp. 102-104. "*Zastupnice*" from the hand-out sheets. There will be *Mirovanije* (Festive Anointing) at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy today in honor of the Feast of Saint Michael and All the Bodiless Powers of Heaven.

EPISTLE: Ephesians 4:1-6. **GOSPEL:** Luke 10:25-37.

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

For the week of November 26:

Sun., November 26: (After Liturgy) **Panachida** in memory of parents +**Julia & +Joseph Komorowski**. Requested by children Mary Ellen and Joseph. Also in memory of +**George Repchak**. Requested by Carolyn Kyanko. Also in memory of +**Joan and +Richard Snyder**. Requested by Joe Zavatsky.

Wed., November 29: (6:30 PM) **Moleben** to Saint Nicholas of Myra.

Sat., December 2: (6:00 PM) **Great Vespers** for the *26'th Sunday after Pentecost*. Propers for Tone 1 and the Venerable Gregory Decapolites.

Sunday, December 3
The 26th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM: Preparation Prayers for Holy Communion.

10:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy** for the *26th Sunday after Pentecost and 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.

THE ETERNAL LAMP burns *in memory* of parents +**Julia & +Joseph Komorowski**. Requested by children Mary Ellen and Joseph.

THE LEFT SIDE ALTAR LAMPS (Prothesis) 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*.

THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS. **TODAY** is the *last day* of our Thanksgiving Food Drive. We will also have a special collection **TODAY**. All proceeds will benefit the *Bridgeport Food Pantry*.

THE LADIES’ ALTAR SOCIETY will meet **TODAY** after the Divine Services.

2018 ECCLESIASTICAL WALL CALENDARS are **now available** in the **back** of the church. CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES will be available in the near future.

COOKIE TRAY BAKE SALE. The Ladies Altar Society is seeking bakers for a potential Cookie Tray bake sale. Bakers are asked to **donate 8-10 dozen cookies**. Cookies will be needed by **Tuesday, December 19th** for the tray assembly. If you are willing to assist with this project, please sign-up by **TODAY** in the back of the church or downstairs on the bulletin board. We will make a decision in the near future, based on the number of volunteer bakers who sign-up, as to whether or not the bake sale will proceed.

THE NATIVITY FAST begins *this Tuesday, November 28*. The *first day* is a Day of Abstinence from meat products. At minimum, *Wednesdays* and *Fridays* throughout the Fast period are also Days of Abstinence from meat products. The liturgical color for this special season of preparation for the Birth of Our Savior is **PURPLE**.

This time of prayer, fasting and good works is meant to prepare us in body and spirit for a worthy celebration of the Coming of God in the Flesh. Another excellent way to get ready for Christmas is to make a good **Confession** during this time! Don't wait until the last minute if you plan to go to **Confession** — Christmas will be here before you know it!

YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE will be held *this Wednesday, November 29* 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, November 30* at **6:30 PM**.

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION for IOCC brought-in **\$700.00**. Thank you so much for your great generosity! May God bless you richly for caring so much!

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!**

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 a child count to **Pan’i** of any extra children, and ages if possible, who will be visiting for the dinner.

OUR CHURCH SCHOOL STUDENTS will be collecting monies for the **ZOE for Life** Advent Project at the Saint Nicholas Dinner. Stay tuned for details!

NATIVITY FAST PRAYER CHALLENGE

To focus our journey of peace and love this Nativity season, Bishop Gregory is once again offering a challenge to all of the clergy and faithful, and especially the youth and young adults of the Diocese. It is not enough to talk about making the world a more peaceful place. Rather, we must actually do something about it.

And the challenge is: To offer a special prayer for peace during our evening prayers. Special Prayer Cards will be passed-out at the end of the Divine Liturgy TODAY. Each household should have sufficient copies, so that each young person that can read has one by their bed to use nightly; and those who are too young to read may say this prayer together with their parents before they go to bed. Of course, all adults should join the challenge as well, so that all together our prayers will reach our Lord's ears.

During the Litany of Fervent Supplication at each Divine Liturgy during Advent, a special petition will also be included.

CROSSROAD is a ten-day academic summer institute that prepares high school juniors and seniors to make big life decisions and invites them to connect with the Orthodox Christian theological and spiritual tradition. Participants from all over the country come together to experience daily worship, take theology classes from some of the best professors in the country, visit local parishes, serve their neighbor, tour the city, and even spend a day at the beach. Historically, CrossRoad has been hosted solely on the campus of Hellenic College Holy Cross. This year, we are excited to announce that CrossRoad is expanding to Chicago! This summer, there will be a third session offered on the campus of North Park University in Chicago, IL. Scholarships covering the registration and tuition fee will be available to our Diocesan students who apply and are accepted to any one of the three sessions. Diocesan Students interested in attending are asked to apply to the program before the **February 1, 2018** deadline. Please visit acrod.org for more information.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Saturday Vespers (11/18) — 6

Sunday Divine Liturgy (11/19) — 76

Saint Michael Vespersal Divine Liturgy (11/20) — 18

Moleben of Thanksgiving (11/22) — 17

UPCOMING EVENTS IN 2017

Monday, November 27 — Bishop Gregory's 5'th Anniversary of Ordination to the Episcopacy.

Tuesday, November 28 — Nativity Fast (Advent) begins.

Saturday, December 16 — Church Cleaning. 10 AM.

Sunday, December 17 — Saint Nicholas Dinner.

Saturday, December 30 — Tree Decorating. 9 AM.