



December 27, 2020

**SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
MEMORY OF DAVID, JOSEPH & JAMES**

Parish Schedule

**Dec. 26 (Sat) Synaxis of the Theotokos
Divine Liturgy 5:00pm**

**Dec. 27 (Sun) SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
MEMORY OF DAVID, JOSEPH & JAMES
FEAST OF ST STEPHEN
Divine Liturgy 10:30am**

**Jan. 1 (Fri) CIRCUMCISION OF OUR LORD
FEAST OF ST BASIL THE GREAT
Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 10:00am**

Jan 2 (Sat) Divine Liturgy 5:00pm
+Maria Rusinko req by Stan & Donna Kulezyski

**Jan 3 (Sun) SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY
Divine Liturgy 10:30am**
+Susan Sabol req by Mickey & Arlene Dzura

Our Tithe to our Parish - December 20, 2020 - \$2,077.00

To all those who have been so faithful in your donations, especially during these trying times, we offer a huge Thank You! Our parishioners have been very conscious in the support of our church that allows us to continue to meet our expenses and even the extra items that come up.



The Sanctuary Lamp continues to burn before the presence of Our Risen Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ in our church during the week of December 27 thru January 2 for Health & Thanksgiving of Janet Belliveau & David Yarosik.

Let us remember in our prayers all of our friends and parish family members who are sick at home or in a nursing facility and for all who are in need of our prayers.



Tillie Abraham, Diana Abraham, Ron Bishop, George Bodnar ,
Jude Bodnar, Pamela Seech Dawson, Steve Fekete, Margaret Gegick,
Barb Gulich, Kevin Ianni, Ted Race, Clarence Rizzi, Helen Rizzi,
Rose Marie Rupnik, Joseph Rusinko Sr.



We offer our heartfelt thanks to those who bought the new trees for the church, to those who decorated them, along with those who purchased and arranged the poinsettias to add to the beauty of our house of worship.

Even though many folks are not able to be here in person, we have already heard comments about the beauty of the church as it appears in the live-stream videos of the Divine Liturgy. This is yet another way in which our parish is reaching out to others both in this area and also to those in faraway regions. It is heartening to hear from folks around the country to regularly tune in to our broadcasts.

OUR CHRISTMAS GREETING

During the Christmas season we greet each other with this salutation:

Christ is Born !

Christos Raždajetsja!

Glorify Him!

Slavite Jeho!

The earth opens up and offers a cave as a hospitable place ... the heavens offer their brightest star ... and the wilderness offers a feeding trough as a bed.

Yes, Christ is born into our world ... and everything recognizes its original purpose ... creation once again sees with the eyes of God and realizes why it was put here.

As we celebrate this feast ... may our eyes also be opened ... and may be transformed by what we see!

LIVE-STREAMING



In the coming days, the Divine Liturgy will be live-streamed on the following days:

24 Dec	Christmas Eve	8:00 pm
25 Dec	Christmas Day	10:30 am
26 Dec	Synaxis of the Theotokos	5:00 pm
27 Dec	Sunday & Feast of St Stephen	10:30am

CALENDARS AND ENVELOPES



The 2021 Church calendars and offering envelopes are now available in the entrance of the Educational Wing. They may be picked up after the Liturgy or on Tuesdays from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm when our secretary Eileen Heinack is in the office

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY NATIVITY

2020

*Today the Virgin gives birth to Perfect Essence,
and the earth offers a cave to the Inaccessible.
The angels sing his glory with the shepherds,
the wise men journey with the star,
for there is born to us an infant Child,
God Eternal.*



Christ's birth into our world ... is God's answer to the cries of hopelessness and frustration and despair of humankind.

In the darkness of this world ... where the problems and cruelty seemed overwhelming ... where nations fought against nations ... where one ethnic or racial group feared another ... where families were torn apart ... where individuals were fragmented and unable to get their lives together ... God, in his mercy, gave his response: *Christ is born!*

Yes, Christ is born into our world ... and the whole world is touched by this. Angels announce the good news and offer their hymns of praise ... simple shepherds offer homage and play their pipes ... magi offer the best gifts from their treasures ... even the animals offer the warm breath as a sign of their adoration.

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