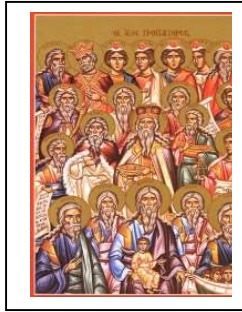


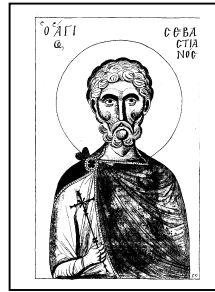
SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Sunday, December 16 27TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 9:00 a.m. SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS
 (Church) For the Parish Family



Monday, December 17 Daniel (Great Prophet)
 8:00 a.m. +Louie Domenick
 (Church) Req. by Matthew and Courtney Miner
 5:00 p.m. Emmanuel Moleben
 (Church)

Tuesday, December 18 Sebastian and Others (Martyrs)
 8:00 a.m. +Mary Jones
 (Church) Req. by Kathy Burns and Pat Richardson



Wednesday, December 19 Boniface (Martyr)
 No Liturgy

Thursday, December 20 Ignatius (Bishop-Martyr)
 8:00 a.m. Health of Theophilus Harink
 (Church) Req. by Matthew and Courtney Miner

Friday, December 21 Juliana (Martyr) (Simple Abstinence from Meat)
 8:00 a.m. +Bernard Polkabila, Jr.
 (Church) Req. by Sister, Nancy Polkabila

Saturday, December 22 Saturday Before Christmas
 5:30 p.m. Anastasia (Great Martyr)
 (Church) +Kathryn Kloc
 Req. by Steve and Kathy Rush



Sunday, December 23 SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS
 9:00 a.m. For the Parish Family
 (Church)
 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Christmas Penance
 (Church)

Monday, December 24 VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS (Strict Abstinence from Meat or Dairy)
 8:00 a.m. Royal Hours
 8:00 p.m. VESPERS AND DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL FOR CHRISTMAS
 10:30 p.m. Great Compline
 (Church)

Tuesday, December 25 CHRISTMAS – BIRTH OF OUR LORD
 9:00 a.m. For the Parish Family
 (Church)

Wednesday, December 26 SYNAXIS OF THE THEOTOKIS
 9:00 a.m. For the Parish Family
 (Church)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR 12/9/18

<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Candles</u>	<u>Holy Day</u>	<u>Pirohi</u>	<u>Christmas Flowers</u>	<u>Loose Cash</u>
\$2011.00	\$506.00	\$734.00	\$25.50	\$602.00	\$104.00
<u>Bulletin Covers (Jan)</u> = \$200.00		<u>R&B</u> = \$108.00	<u>TOTAL</u> = \$4182.50		

PRAYER LIST – Joe, Emily, Gabriel, Gina, Trish, Mark, Nadine, Robert, PJ, Jamie, Kris, Margie, Arlene, Kay, Bill, Jack, Mary, Sandy, Heather, Midge, Ted, Patty, Tillie, Bernard, Rita, Margaret, Brandon, Peggy, Blake, Monica, Anita, Helen, Mary, Janet, Barb, Shirley, Beatrice, Alice, Dorothy, Joan, Clara, Audrey, Dave, Josephine, Daniel Jr., Sandy, Lisa, Cathy, Trevor, George, Connor, Cindy, Will, Michael, Butch, Amelia, David, Henry, Barbara, Joan, Dave, Louis, Fred, Jamie, Chris, Mike, Cindy, Dianne, Helen, Janet, George Jr., Diana, Emil, Margie, Curtis, Stephanie, James, Frank Sr., Frank Jr., Fr. Eugene, Raymond, Jamie, Tammy, James, Ashley, Patrick, Michelle, Olivia, Barbara, Edward, Sherry, Beverly, Troy, Traci, Trevor, Tanner, Mary Ellen, Frances, Davey, Barb, Dave, Patty, Bill, Bob, Tom, Thomas, Joyce, Tanya, Wilma, Irma, Bernie, Ambrose, Anne, Mary Ellen, George, Riley, Jennifer, Elaine, Nancy, Kris, Elaine, Micheal, Judy, Ken, Dave, Charlene, Debbie, Dan, Marcia, Paul, George, Dorothy, Hannah, Janet, Davey, Carol, Jean, Dina, Rita, Tom, Chris, Linda, Mary, Marianne, Ryan, Melvin, Melania, Jean, Mason, Amy, Fr. Bob, Mark, Chuck, Marilyn, Kenny, Rita, Ashley, Angie.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER - That we may use our Advent journey to waken others to the decline in respect for the sanctity of every life, we pray to the Lord.

CHRISTOS RAZDAJETSJA! SLAVITE JEHO!

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTMAS CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION- Reconciliation will be held on Sunday, December 23 from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. There will be multiple priests available to hear your confession.

GCU LODGE 81 and THE UNIONTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY – welcome all children of the parish on Saturday, December 15th in the Children’s Room, at 1:00 p.m. Stage Right players will present “How the Grinch Stole Christmas” followed by the arrival of Santa at 1:45 p.m. Make a Christmas craft, share their Christmas cake, and every child in attendance will receive a candy cane and a book!

2019 BULLETIN COVERS – Two months are still available (August and October). If you would like to sponsor a month, please call the church office. Thank you!

THE 5TH SUNDAY OF THE PHILLIPIAN FAST PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS – We continue our 5th week of this minor penitential period and continue to follow Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem by preparing ourselves for the spiritual meaning of Christmas. Not only prior to Christmas but always through our earthly pilgrimage, we must carry Him reborn in our souls by sanctifying the temple of our Body. It is through prayer, abstinence, almsgivings, frequent confession of sins, works of virtue, and additional participation in the Divine Liturgies, we can accomplish this end. Together as a parish, let us collectively practice simple abstinence (no meat) or an equivalent penance on Wednesdays (recommended) and Fridays (required) for the intention for the return of our beloved back to Church. The color PURPLE is worn as a sign of ROYALTY of the One to be born in Bethlehem.

ON THE SUNDAY OF THE FOREFATHERS

"Come, O Lovers of the Feast, let us sing a hymn of praise to the assembly of the Forefathers: Adam, and those before the law. Let us also honor Moses and those after the Law...and all those who preached Christ, the Life and Resurrection of Mankind." (Vespers)

Lord, today we are reminded in these hymns that we are all a single people. We all are the work of Your hands, from Adam and Eve, down to our time, and beyond to the second glorious coming. Your Holy Spirit gives life to us and we are created unique - the only "one of us" that there will ever be. This is something that we know innately but nevertheless, we so often live as strangers to one another and to You. We do not want to become vulnerable and defenseless. Knowing this, You manifest Your humility and obedience by coming in the flesh as an infant child and living in union with the will of the Father. This is perfect humility and great vulnerability.

