

SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY



Icon of Theophany -- January 6th

Divine Liturgy Guide

Sunday, January 2, 2022

Sunday before Theophany

SAT JAN 1: 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Marlene Laskowski by Helen Pagnotti

SUN JAN 2: 10:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday before Theophany God's blessing for His People

MON JAN 3: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Ann M. Ellis by The Lilik Family

TUES JAN 4: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Michael Soniak by Sophie Soniak

WED JAN 5: Malachy -Prophet READ Luke 20-27-44

THURS JAN 6: 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Theophany of our Lord Great blessing of water

FRI JAN 7: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy Blessing for Myronyuk Family by The Lilik Family

SAT JAN 8: 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Michael Stec by The Fetch Family

SUN JAN 9: 10:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday After Theophany God's blessing for His People

Collection Basket



12/25 & 12/26 \$ 7,972

Thank you to last week's counters

Mike Trusz & Olenka Chandoha-Knott

Next Week's Counters are:

Paul Ewasko & Pat Waznak

Happy Birthday!

January 1 - 7

John C. Knott - Jan. 4

A PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

Heavenly Father, your Son taught us "Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be called children of God."

At this hour, we fervently pray that your Holy Spirit may inspire men and women in Ukraine to become Peacemakers. May they seek reconciliation and dialogue and end the violent confrontation and killing. May they restore tranquility to their nation and restore human rights, democratic principles and religious liberty to their troubled land.

God, our Father, we beseech you to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded and accept the souls of the departed into Your Heavenly Kingdom.

And may the Most Holy Mother of God, extend her Blessed Mantle of Protection over Ukraine. And make each of us always live our lives as instruments of your peace. Amen.

PILGRIMAGE WITH A CROSS OF GRATITUDE TO ALL CAPITALS AND MAJOR CITIES OF THE WORLD

The Pilgrimage of Gratitude began in Lviv, Ukraine in November 2005 with a large oak cross and a figure of our crucified Savior upon it. Since then it has visited forty six (46) cities and currently is in the United States with future visits planned for South America, Asia, Africa, Indonesia and Australia. The aim of the pilgrimage is to unite all nations of the world into one family at the Cross of Jesus and that He gives us the gift of eternal life. We are highly honored with the cross coming to Scranton's St. Vladimir Church which will be open for veneration on the following days and hours:

- Thursday, January 6th - 4:00pm to 7:00pm
- Friday, January 7th - 10:00am to 12 noon and 4:00pm to 6:00pm
- Saturday, January 8th - 10:00am to 12 noon
- Sunday, January 9th - 12 noon to 2:00pm
- Monday, January 10th thru Wednesday, January 12th –
 - ❖ 10:00am to 12 noon and 4:00pm to 6:00pm
- Final Day Thursday, January 13th - 10:00am to 12 noon

A warm invitation is extended to our brothers and sisters of parishes in Northeastern Pennsylvania.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 2022 CHURCH CALENDARS

2022 church calendars are available near the envelopes in the back of the church. We are grateful that once again they are donated by Edward J. Chomko Funeral Home & Cremation Services. Thank you!

2. 2022 CHURCH ENVELOPES

2022 church envelopes are available in the back of the church. If there are any corrections or questions, please let Father Myron know. If you know of any home bound parishioners that cannot pick them up, please be so kind as to deliver them. Envelopes are issued only to those who have used them last year. (Within the last 12 month period).

3. BLESSING OF WATER ON THURSDAY

The Theophany of our Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation, is this Thursday, January 6th. Divine Liturgy will be held at 9:30am. The Blessing of Water will take place at the conclusion of Liturgy. Please bring along a container if you would like to take Holy Water home with you.

4. BLESSING OF HOMES

If you would like your home Blessed by Fr. Myron, mark an envelope "Home Blessing" and drop it in the collection basket. Fr. Myron will then contact you to schedule a Home Blessing. Take advantage of this long-time Ukrainian Tradition!

5. "THANKSGIVING CROSS" BLESSED BY POPES

Pope John Paul II blessed the Cross and initiators of the "Thanksgiving Cross" pilgrimage mission on March 10, 2004, at the Vatican. Later the Cross was blessed by Popes Benedict XVI and Francis. The mission is dedicated to the 2000th anniversary of the Crucifixion and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ (33-2033) and is designed to visit all the capitals of the world. The Pilgrimage of the "Thanksgiving Cross" invites people to express their boundless gratitude to Jesus Christ for love shown to us through His suffering and death on the Cross for our salvation and His Resurrection from the dead.

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6. EASTERN CHURCH HAS LESSONS ON SYNODALITY FOR THE WEST

Between COVID-19, secularization and polarization, Archeparch Borys Gudziak of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia has plenty of reasons to feel gloom. Yet, during the past year, he chose instead to “surrender” himself to God, daily saying the prayer of surrender: “Jesus, I surrender my life to you, take care of everything.” And it seems to have worked, because despite the challenges, he continues to believe in the church. “Over the centuries, many have been writing their obituary of the Body of Christ, but the body of Christ is divine. The mystical Body of Christ is divine. And we can find our peace in that truth.” Born in Syracuse, New York, he spent 30 years in Europe, most of them in Ukraine, where Gudziak played a key role in funding Ukraine’s Catholic University. He then served as the head of the Greek Catholic Ukrainian eparchy of France, that also includes Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxemburg, and Switzerland. Pope Francis appointed him to Philadelphia in 2019. Gudziak: COVID was a radical change for all of us. We all had friends who were sick or who died. In our metropolia, we had about 300 priests and religious, and 22 of them died in the first year. Not all from COVID, but we had a 7 percent mortality rate and many funerals. But I think it was also good for me, because we couldn’t travel, and we all stayed in one place. In the meantime, it was a time of looking at the systems of our archeparchy: There were some difficult decisions that needed to be made. And subsequently, there has been great grace because we have six new priests from Ukraine. And we’ll have a seventh one in February. So that’s a big change, because we have 64 parishes.



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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Please include in your prayers those members of our parish who are in hospitals, care homes, rehabilitation facilities & those who are not able to join us actively in our church community.

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Mountain View

Irene Slagan

Home

Andrea Geraghty

Stella Patrick

Stanley Krupinski

Helen Ewasko

Andrea Wells

Hunter Harendza

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Father Philip Harendza

Home

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Home

Kathleen Izak

Doris Romancho

Mary Warholak

Dorothy Kowalchick

Michael McConnell

Vera Krewsun

VIGIL CANDLE SPONSORS: week beginning January 1, 2022

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| 1 | Hanging Eternal Lamp
\$10 | By: Doris, Greg and Matthew Romancho
For: I.M.O. +Wasył, +Catherine, +William and + Harry Romancho |
| 2 | 2 Altar Vigil Candles
\$10 | By: Mr. and Mrs. John Knott
For: Birthday Blessings for Stephen Chandoha |
| 3 | Proskomedia Candles
\$10 | By: Mark and Leslie Izak
For: New Year Blessings for Fr. Myron and Family |
| 4 | 2 Tetrapod Candles
\$10 | By: Lilik Family
For: I.M.O. + Paula Butrim |
| 5 | Jesus Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: Regina Kozel
For: Christmas Blessings for Dr. Ken and Karen Lilik |
| 6 | Mary Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: Biloskirka Children
For: I. M. O. + Nicholas and + Nadia Biloskirka |
| 7 | St. Nicholas
\$5 | By: Sharmayne Tucker
For: I.M.O. + Walter Tucker, Jr. |
| 8 | St. Vladimir Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: + Marlene Laskowski
For: I. M. O. + Joseph E. Laskowski, Sr |
| 9 | Jesus Entrance Vigil
\$5 | By: Stella Patrick
For: Health and God's Blessings for Stephen Patrick |
| 10 | Mary Entrance Vigil
\$5 | By: Parish Family of St. Vladimir's Church
For: Christmas Blessings for adherents of the Julian calendar JAN 7 |
| 11 | Mother of God Statue
\$10 | By: Kristen Waznak
For: New Year's Blessings for Mom and Dad |
| 12 | Altar 7 branch Saturday
\$5 | By: Maria Ruane
For: Parishioners - Health & God's Blessings in the New Year |
| 13 | Altar 7 branch Sunday
\$5 | By: Regina Kozel
For: I.M.O. + Ihor Shablovsky |
| 14 | Blessed Mother (side altar)
\$5 | By: His wife Sharmayne with love
For: I.M.O. + Walter Tucker, Jr. |
| 15 | Jesus (side altar)
\$5 | By: Regina Kozel
For: Christmas Blessings for Shablovsky Family & Laryssa |

CONFESSION

For anyone that would like to receive the holy sacrament of confession you can let Father Myron know and set up a time either before or after Liturgy from Tuesday through Saturday.

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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viky!

Divine Liturgies: Saturday 4 p.m., Sunday 10:30 a.m.,

Holy Days & Weekdays see bulletin

**OUR MISSION PARISH: Saints Peter & Paul, 47 Rittenhouse Street, Simpson,
Pennsylvania**

Sick calls / Communion calls / Home visits/ Emergencies: call parish office.

The Christ

Now, in the mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, we again encounter and represent the truth of the Lord's incarnation and His manifestation as the Christ. Jesus' Baptism is in fact His definitive manifestation as the Messiah or Christ to Israel, and as the Son of the Father to the entire world. Here we find the dimension of the Epiphany which was His manifestation to all nations. The Father's voice from heaven shows that Jesus of Nazareth is the eternal Son and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove shows the Trinitarian nature of the Christian God. The true and unique God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, shows Himself in Christ, through Him, with Him and in Him.

The Baptism in the Jordan returns to the great Christmas theme of "Christification", Jesus of Nazareth's spiritual anointing, His presentation

as the Anointed One par excellence, the Messiah or the One sent by the Father for the salvation of mankind. The Spirit that descended on Jesus shows and seals in an incontrovertible way the "Christification" of Jesus' humanity that the Word had already fulfilled from the first moment of His miraculous conception by Mary. Jesus, from the very beginning, was always the Lord's Christ, He was always God. Yet, His one, true humanity, that which is perfect in every way, as the Gospel records, constantly grew in natural and supernatural perfection. "And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favor with God and with men" (Lk2:52). In Israel at 30 years of age, one reached full maturity and therefore could become a master. Jesus came of age and the Spirit, descending and remaining on Him, definitively consecrated His whole being as the Christ.