

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

TODAY: 26th SUNDAY OF AFTER PENTECOST, SUNDAY BEFORE THE
NATIVITY, SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS
9:10am: 3rd & 6th Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy, Special
Collection for the Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry

Acolytes: check in the Altar Church School

Potluck: Q – Z

(fish, wine & oil)

Hours: Ed Johnson

Thanksgiving Prayers: Katie Bufford

Mon: 12/19 FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY
6:00pm: Vespers with the Compline Canon of the Forefeast

Tues: 12/20: FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY
6:00pm: Vespers with the Compline Canon of the Forefeast
7:00pm: Parish Council Meeting

Wed: 12/21: FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY
6:00pm: Vespers with the Compline Canon of the Forefeast

Thurs: 12/22: FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY
6:00pm: Vespers with the Compline Canon of the Forefeast

Fri: 12/23: FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY
10:00AM: ROYAL HOURS OF THE NATIVITY
6:00pm: Vespers with the Compline Canon of the Forefeast

Sat: 12/24: EVE OF THE NATIVITY
10:00am: Divine Liturgy (Slavonic); Panikhida for Vasily, Maria & Nina.
6:00pm: Vigil of the Nativity

Sun: 12/25: 27th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST,
NATIVITY OF OUR LORD & SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST
9:10am: 3rd & 6th Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy
Acolytes: check in the Altar Church School

Hours: Ed Johnson

Thanksgiving Prayers: Luba Thome

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

...is a major component of the Nativity Fast. The Lord says: "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God" (Matthew 5:8). As we strive to purify our hearts through fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, it is also proper that each one of us goes to Confession before Christmas. The typical time for Confessions is on Saturdays after Great Vespers. However, I'm available at other times if you would like to contact me and make an appointment. May God purify our hearts this fasting season, so that we may behold the glory of our New Born King, our LORD JESUS CHRIST. God is with us...Fr Nikolay

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26th Sunday after Pentecost December 18th 2016

Heb 11: 9-10; 17-23; 32-40 Sunday of the Holy Fathers

Matt 1: 1 – 25

WELCOME VISITORS! CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!

We are honored you are visiting today. * Liturgy **Books** may be found next to the **Candle Table** at the back of the church. * We **invite you to fill out a Visitor's Card** on the Candle Table & place it in one of the Collection Baskets there. * We do not take up a **Collection** during our services but rather ask you to place donations in one of the baskets on the Candle Table or next to the **Book Store Table**. * While only Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves may receive **Holy Communion**, everyone is welcome to come forward at the end of Liturgy to receive a blessing from our priest and to take the blessed bread. * It is the **Orthodox practice** to stand during services as a sign of reverence for the Lord but if you need to sit, please do so. Use of chairs is shared. If you are able, we particularly try to stand during the processions with the Gospel and the Gifts, during the Readings, the Creed, during the preparation of the Holy Eucharist, the Lord's Prayer and reception of Communion. * We **invite you** to stay after the Thanksgiving Prayers **for fellowship** and the meal so that we may greet you personally, and to answer any questions you may have about our faith, our parish or today's service. * Please help yourself to the brochures and information on the east side counter. * All children **ages three through twelve** are encouraged to attend our Sunday School after Holy Communion.

* **We hope you will visit us again very soon.** *

PLEASE SEND PRAYER CORNER NAMES & UPDATES ALONG WITH BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS TO:

Daniel Schulte at: drschulte@hughes.net or call 505-495-9200.

Book Store: asonaocbs@gmail.com

Rubrics for Today: Resurrection Tone 1
Resurrection Tone Sheets are on the Literature Table
Resurrection Texts are also in the Appendices of the Black Liturgy Books

PRAYER CORNER

May God Grant Many Years! to **Clare Gibson, Mikle Linnik, Darina Linnik and Matthew Moore on their Birthdays.**

May the Lord grant His mercy and healing to those diagnosed with cancer: Vance, Peter, Ita, Matushka Mary, Kevin, Carol, Deacon Gerasimus, Andrew, Chuck, Juan, Ivan, Lubov, Daria, Cynthia, Karen, Paul, Protodeacon Nicholas, Bishop Nikon of Boston and Archbishop Lazar.

And for those in remission from cancer: Madolyn, Dr. Frye, Mary Beth, Rolf, Ron, Galina, Yelena, Yelena, Galina, Jasmine and Fr Silouan.

May the Lord grant His mercy and healing to those with other ailments, injuries, difficult situations and intentions needing prayer: Peter, infant Jackson, child Sophia, child William, Mikhail, Jason & Kristina, Toby, infant Katie, Nina, Elizabeth, Matushka Ingrid, Chuck & Alice, Emilia, Silouan, Evdokiya, Michael, David, Lois Ana, Randall, Bob & Marilyn, Mary Elizabeth, George, Gabriella & Andrei, Loretta, Richard, Bill, Maria, Galina, Andrey, Nikolay, Fotiniya, Joseph David, Carolyn, Deacon Steven, Kendrick, Camryn, Emma, Julie, Tana, Ruth Ann, Subdeacon Columcille, John & Sharon, Deacon Gerry, Irene, Subdeacon Gregory and Ernest.

Please Pray for our Catechumens: Joseph & Maria, Paul & Elizabeth and DeAndra.

God Grant Many Years! to all those others celebrating Name Days, Birthdays and Anniversaries.

O Lord, please send your angels to watch over all those traveling.

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT: YTD THROUGH NOVEMBER 2016

Operating Income: \$ 99,266²⁶ Operating Expenses: \$100,575⁴⁹ Shortfall: - \$1,309²³
Charity Collections: \$7,407⁰⁰ Building Fund: \$25,440⁰⁸

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE ANNUAL COMMITMENT FORM FOR 2017: Copies of the form are on the Literature Table. Please read through it carefully, pray about it and return the completed form to the Tithing Box. They are now overdue. Thank you.

THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS DONATION BASKET is out next to the Tithes Collection Box for donations to help us purchase poinsettias and greens to decorate the church for Christ's Nativity. Please write "Flowers" on the memo line of checks.

WE 'LL TAKE A SPECIAL COLLECTION in support of the Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry after Liturgy today. The OCPM Mission is to bring the love of Christ to those who are in prison by providing encouragement, material support, transition and reintegration guidance, Christian education, spiritual guidance and the sacramental life of the Church. For more information on the work of the OCPM please go to: <https://theocpm.org/>

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO A BAKLAVA OPEN HOUSE to spend time with the Belyaev family and the Ruehle family on Friday, December 30th from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. It will be held at the house of Mike Ruehle's mother Coryn; 7612 Lamplighter Lane NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109.

BISCOCHITOS, BAKLAVA & SPANIKOPITA ARE STILL AVAILABLE. If you need a last minute gift or something to bring to a Christmas or New Year's potluck, please consider purchasing some of our home made baklava, biscochitos or spanikopita. All proceeds go toward the charitable work of the Sisterhood.

St NICHOLAS CHARITY DONATIONS were delivered to Cuidando los Niños and St Martin's. They were very happy to receive our donations. St Martin's is still in great need of blankets, sleeping bags, gloves, hats and winter jackets (new or gently used). They can be placed in the St Martin's container beneath the Candle Table at any time.

IF YOU WISH TO CONTRIBUTE to a charitable fund for **Matushka Ingrid** all you need do is write a check to ASONA and write "Matushka Ingrid" on the "for" line and it will be passed through to her. Thank you.

THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY

COMMEMORATED THIS DAY

The Sunday before the Nativity of the Lord is known as the Sunday of the Holy Fathers. On this day the Church commemorates all those who were well-pleasing to God from all ages, from Adam to Saint Joseph the Betrothed of the Most Holy Theotokos, those who are mentioned in the genealogy of Luke 3:23-38. The holy prophets and prophetesses are also remembered today, especially the Prophet Daniel and the three holy youths (December 17).

<https://oca.org/saints/all-lives/2016/12/18>

Troparion — Tone 2

Great are the accomplishments of faith, for the Three Holy Youths rejoiced in the flames as though at the waters of rest, and the prophet Daniel appeared, a shepherd to the lions as though they were sheep. So by their prayers, O Christ God, save our souls!

Kontakion — Tone 6

You did not worship the graven image, O thrice-blessed ones, but armed with the immaterial Essence of God, you were glorified glorified in a trial by fire. From the midst of unbearable flames you called on God, crying: Hasten, O compassionate One! Speedily come to our aid, for You are merciful and able to do as You will.

<https://oca.org/saints/troparia/2016/12/18>