

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY: 27th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY

9:00am: Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy

Acolytes: check in the Altar

Thanksgiving Prayers: George Patrick
Orthodoxy Class

Church School

Pot Luck: H-P
(fish, wine & oil)

Mon: 12/19: 6:00pm: Vespers, Little Compline with the Canon of the Forefeast

Tues: 12/20 FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY

6:00pm: Vespers, Little Compline with the Canon of the Forefeast

Wed: 12/21: FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY

6:00pm: Vespers, Little Compline with the Canon of the Forefeast

Thur: 12/22: FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY

6:00pm: Vespers, Little Compline with the Canon of the Forefeast

Fri: 12/23: FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY

9:00am: Royal Hours

6:00pm: Vespers of the Forefeast with the Compline Canon

Sat: 12/24: EVE OF THE NATIVITY [STRICT FAST THIS DAY]

9:00am: Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy, potluck

1:00pm: Baptism of the Maes & Becker Families

6:00pm: Vigil of the Nativity

Sun: 12/25 28th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, NATIVITY OF OUR LORD & SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

9:00am: Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy of St Basil

Acolytes: check in the Altar

Thanksgiving Prayers: Patrick Moore

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 the ages, from Adam to St Joseph the Betrothed of the Most Holy Theotokos, those who are mentioned in the genealogy of Luke. The holy prophets and prophetesses are also remembered today, especially the Prophet Daniel and the three holy youths. ...for the complete text see: oca.org/FSLivesAllSaints

Fr. Nikolay has blessed that we go back to using the Nicene Creed melody that we have been familiar with for the past several years. This particular melody will not be subject to change, in order to make it easier on all those present at the Liturgy to participate in the singing of the Creed.

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27th Sunday After Pentecost

December 18th, 2011

Sunday before the Nativity

Welcome Visitors! Christ Is In Our Midst!

We are honored you are visiting today. * Liturgy **Books** may be found on the **Candle Table** at the back of the church. * We **invite you to fill out a Visitor's Card**, also 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 **Holy Water Font**. * 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 coffee, 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 and updates along with bulletin announcements to Daniel Schulte at: drschulte@hughes.net or call 505-495-9200.

Rubrics for Today: Resurrection Tone 2

Resurrection tone sheets are on the Literature Table
with special sheets for the Sunday Before the Nativity

Resurrection texts are also in the appendices of the black Liturgy books

PRAYER CORNER

Many Years!!! to William Lipke and Clare Gibson who celebrate their birthdays this coming week.

Please pray for: Velvet Lipke who had reconstructive ankle surgery Tuesday. Keep her in your prayers for a good recovery.

May the Lord grant His mercy and healing to those diagnosed with cancer: Bishop Nikon of Boston, Chris, Kathy, Matushka Valerie, Jashua, Wayne, Martina, Madolyn, Archbishop Lazar, Carmen, Frank, Matushka Katherine, Fr. Peter, Mary Ann, Dr. Frye, Leonard, Jerry, Mike, Glenda, Warren, Dewayne, Bob, Mary Beth, Fr. Demetrios, Christine, Alex, Debra, Rolf, Kenneth, Diane, Brandon, Rosemary, Marilyn, Annette, Anita, Amanda, Jenn, Linda, Martha, Jim, Lukas, Matthew, Marcel, Mike, Anna, Susan, William, Donna, Nancy, Pamela, Bryan, Marcella. And for those in remission from cancer: Ron, Joan, Igor, Fr. Silouan, Seraphim, Jo, Alexander, Jo, Anna.

May the Lord send his angels to protect those deployed or working in combat areas: Jasmine, Zaqueo Daniel, and Dmitrius.

May the Lord grant His mercy and healing to those with other ailments, injuries, difficult situations and intentions needing prayer: Emilia Valerie, child Anthony, Savelia, Dcn Steven, Fr George, George, Steve, Dcn Gerry, LouAnne, Sbdcn Columille, Sbdcn Mark, Bill, Maria, Blair, Elizabeth, Robert, Gus, Bill, Thomas, Mark, Patrick, Patricia, Paul & Joyce, Maria, Vasile & Valerie, George, Marylee, Diana, Warren, Bill, Robert, Doug & his family, Mark, Frank, Infant Leo, Karen, Cassandra, Julie, Cynthia, Dawit, Glenda, Tamera, Faith, Hope and Thomas, Chuck and Melissa, Anna, Irene, Nina, Matushka Marilyn, Kent, George, Hieromonk John, Emilee, Jeremy & Coltin, Janet, Paul, Fr Sergei, Monica, Darla, Melissa, Andrea, Arline, Layla Anne, Renee, Gus, Maria, Mary Ann, Matthew and his mother Hoda, Marilyn, Stephanie, William, Anya, Jose, Ludmilla, Jim, Loren, John, Sharon, Subdcn. Gregory, Maria, Fr Christopher, Mary, Shanna & daughters Michaela, Cheyenne and Logan, Bryan, child Elijah and parents Janice and Timothy, Bob, Mary, Gail, Arnold, Sarah, Elizabeth, Ernest, Ryan, Robert, Mother Anna, Basil, Stephen, Rick, Connie, Susan, Rebecca, Rick, Lela & her brother.

God Grant You Many Years to all those others celebrating Name Days, birthdays and anniversaries.

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

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT: YTD THROUGH NOVEMBER 2011

Operating Income: \$120,081^{.19} Operating Expenses: \$103,367^{.06}

Charity Collections: \$4,338^{.00} Building Fund: \$20,231^{.51}

PROJECT MEXICO & ST. INNOCENT ORPHANAGE has received a \$50,000 year-end matching grant! This means that every donation made from now until December 31st will be doubled by a generous group of donors up to \$50,000. In light of this, if you would like to help Project Mexico take advantage of this matching grant opportunity, please write a check to All Saints and indicate on the check that it is for Project Mexico. To learn more about Project Mexico please go to: <http://projectmexico.org/> Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES

- **BOOKSTORE:** Check the book table for Christmas cards and new books for adults and children. Just in: "Creation and the Patriarchal Histories" by Fr. Patrick Reardon and "The Edge of Mysterion" a fiction tale in the spirit of Narnia. Consider children's books for godchildren, grandchildren or your own children and put a good book under your tree for your own spiritual development.
- **LAST SUNDAY'S FISH DINNER FUNDRAISER** brought in \$270.²³ for the work of the Sisterhood. Thank you to all who worked in the kitchen to make this a successful event to the Glory of God and to the parish for its support!!!
- **THE ST. NICHOLAS CHARITY BOX** was overflowing with items for St. Martins (men's pants, underwear, socks, hats, shirts and a jacket) and for Cuidando Los Niños (diapers, clothing and toys). We are grateful for all of the donations. Women's clothing will go to Barrett House.
- **THE NATIVITY FLOWER DONATION BASKET** is out on the Candle Table. Donations help pay for the poinsettias, greens and flowers that will adorn the church for the Feast.
- **WE STILL NEED HELP WITH THE WEEKLY CHURCH CLEANING: ESPECIALLY MOPPING.** Please see Patrick Moore if you'd like to help out.
- **THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WILL BE AFTER LITURGY ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 15, 2012.** If you didn't sign & turn in your pledge form (ANNUAL COMMITMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH FOR 2012) please do so soon. This is not just about money. It is by the means of the pledge form that we are able to assess parish membership figures to report to the DOS and the OCA and to determine if there are enough parishioners present at the Annual Parish Meeting for a quorum (50%) and to determine who is eligible to vote (declared parish members only.) Thank you.
- **JANUARY CALENDAR ITEMS** are needed by this Wednesday, December 21st. Please contact Diane Prokipchak at: dianepnm@q.com or call: (505) 792-4507.

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 and prayer it is also imperative that each one of us goes to Confession before Christmas. You can come either to me or Fr. George. Our 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

...Fr Nikolay