

WEEKLY CALENDAR

TODAY: 29th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST,
SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY
9:00am: Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy
Acolytes: check in the Altar Church School
Thanksgiving Prayers: Bill Boyle Potluck: H-P
6:00am: Vespers, Little Compline with (Fish, Wine & Oil)
the Canon of the Forefeast

Mon: 12/24: EVE OF THE NATIVITY
9:00am: ROYAL HOURS OF THE NATIVITY
1:00pm: VESPERAL DIVINE LITURGY OF ST BASIL
6:00pm: VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST

Tues: 12/25: NATIVITY OF OUR LORD & SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST
9:00am: Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy

Sat: 12/29: SATURDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY
5:00pm: Choir Rehearsal
6:00pm: Great Vespers, Confessions

Sun: 12/30: 30th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, SUNDAY AFTER
THE NATIVITY, SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY
9:00am: Hours 9:30am: Divine Liturgy
Acolytes: check in the Altar Church School
Thanksgiving Prayers: Bryan Maes Potluck: Q - Z

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 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. God is with us! ...Fr. Nikolay

CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASS:

On January 18th we'll begin a study of the Epistle of St. James. We will use as a guide Archbishop Dmitri's book recently published by St Vladimir's Press. Copies of the book will soon be available in our Church bookstore.

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29th Sunday After Pentecost
December 23rd, 2012
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 4

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

May God Grant Many Years! to Matthew Moore, Deacon Stephen Henne and Mathew Jannakos on their Birthdays and to Stephen Jannakos on his Name Day in this coming week.

May the Lord grant His mercy and healing to those diagnosed with cancer: Matushka Marilyn, Infant Silas, Maria, Lindsey, Bishop Nikon of Boston, Chris, Kathy, Matushka Valerie, Jashua, Wayne, Martina, Madolyn, Archbishop Lazar, Frank, Matushka Katherine, Fr. Peter, Mary Ann, Dr. Frye, Leonard, Jerry, Mike, Glenda, Warren, Bob, Mary Beth, Christine, Alex, Debra, Rolf, Kenneth, Diane, Brandon, Rosemary, Marilyn, Annette, Anita, Amanda, Jenn, Martha, Jim, Lukas, Matthew, Marcel, Mike, Anna, Susan, William, Donna, Nancy, Pamela, Bryan, Marcella. And for those in remission from cancer: Galina, Yelena, Yelena, Galina, Jasmine, 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: Ricky & Dmitrius.

May the Lord grant His mercy and healing to those with other ailments, injuries, difficult situations and intentions needing prayer: Shoshannah & the unborn child, Matt, Randall, Subdcn Columcille, Karen, Luba, Veronica, Clare, Teresa, Fr George, Ray & Trish & their children Brett & Donna, Dale, Dawit, James, Galina, Andrey, Fotiniya, Nikolay, Evdokiya, Matrena, John and Sharon, Robert, Velvet, Emilia, Valerie, child Anthony, Savelia, Dcn Steven, George, Steve, Dcn Gerry, LouAnne, 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, 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, 2012

Operating Income: \$109,219⁷⁸ Operating Expenses: \$111,839³⁰ Shortfall: -\$2,619⁵²

Charity Collections: \$7,504⁹⁷ Building Fund: \$18,284⁶³

ANNOUNCEMENTS & NOTICES

- THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING WILL BE ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 20th, 2013. Please see Fr. Nikolay if you are interested in being elected as a parish council member, building committee member, diocesan assembly lay representative or yearly auditor.
- IF YOU ARE NOT SURE whether you have returned your 2013 Commitment Form, there is a list on the Bulletin Board. If you consider yourself a member of our parish, but you don't see your name on the list, please fill out and return the Annual Commitment Form (available on the table in the back of the Church). Thank you.
- LUMINARIAS ON CHRISTMAS EVE: If you would like to help set up, light or take down the luminarias after Liturgy, please talk to Lew Witz.
- WE ARE THANKFUL for everyone, especially Mary Vosevich, who helped make baklava and spinach pita, who baked the nut and poppy seed rolls and to those who came to box up the orders.
- FROM CHINA: Elena Munoz sends everyone her Christmas greetings. She is well and is enjoying her teaching job. She is able to attend a Russian Orthodox church there but misses seeing us. She asks that we remember her in our prayers.
- CHURCH DIRECTORY FOR 2013 is about to be printed. Please make sure Marylee Ruehle has all you updated contact information.
- DONATIONS FOR NATIVITY FLOWERS, POINSETTIAS AND GREENERY: A special donation basket has been put out next to the tithes collection box.
- IF YOU WISH TO CONTRIBUTE to a charitable fund for Fr. George's retirement, all you need do is write a check to ASONA and write "Father George's retirement fund" on the "for" line and it will be passed through to Fr George. Thank you.

The Sunday before the Nativity

COMMEMORATED THIS DAY

Today 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 St 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.

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