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Clergy: Father Paisius McGrath, Pastor Protopresbyter, William Diakiw, Attached Parish Board President: Stanley Ostwinch

Choir Director: Eric Prokopchak

<u>Today's Commemorated Feasts and Saints</u>: 25th Sunday after Pentecost-Tone 8; Holy Forefathers of Christ/ Commemoration of Saint Nicholas

Today, Sunday, December 11, Sunday of the Holy Forefathers and Commemoration of Saint Nicholas, Memorial Litia for Katherine Duke 9:50 am Divine Liturgy 10 am Memorial Litia for Dorothy Pakutz Coffee Hour: Brenda Minto (Ladies Guild) Monday, December 12, Saints Spyridon and Herman, Divine Liturgy 9:30 am Executive Board Meeting 6:30 pm

Wednesday, December 14, Moleben for Nativity 9:30 am

Thursday/Friday, December 15/16, Parish Pirohi Sale, Thursday 8-12, Friday 8-4 Saturday, December 17, Great Vespers 5 pm

Sunday, December 18, Sunday of the Holy Ancestors of Christ, Divine Liturgy 10 am Blessing of Prosphoras for Holy Supper Saint Nicholas Program and Luncheon(Church School)

For Healing and Good Health: Metropolitan Antony, Bishop Daniel, , Protopresbyter William Diakiw, Pani Sonia Diakiw, Father John Harvey, Father Nestor Kowal, Panimatka Lillian Hnatko, Edna Knicely, Orycia Hammerschmitt, John Keffalas, Katheryna Dowbenko, Stephen Sheptak, Gregory Prokopchak, Jessica Burka, Amanda Burka, Tanner Noble, Nick and Arianna Coyle, Jean Markiw, Connie Markiw, Kathryn Tymkiw, Jack Povlick, Mary Ann Jurysta, Sherri Burka, Emil Russo, Helen Burka, Michael Romanyshyn, Mary Demarco, Nicholas Burka, , Eva Bilowich, Patty Hnatko, Rose Hnatko, Sherri Markiw, Ethan Rock, Scott Cygan, Metrophan Martin, Ronna Frenchak Pindel, Lovie Tymkiw, Donna Grey, Helen Olenic, our brothers and sisters suffering in Ukraine, Syria and Iraq

Memory Eternal: Katherine Duke, Dorothy Pakutz, Paul Olenic, George Walek,

This morning we offer memorial prayers for the departed servants of God, Katherine Duke and Dorothy Pakutz. May the Lord our God grant a blessed repose to His servants, Katherine and Dorothy, and may their memory be eternal!

Today from 12:30-1:30 Saint Anthony's Orthodox Church will be having a presentation by Father Bogdan on the Orthodox Liturgical Hymns of Christmas. Everyone is invited to join our fellow Orthodox Christians to learn about what they teach us about the Nativity of Christ.

For those who are interested, a Christmas Choral Concert will be held today at 5:30 pm at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church , 123 Gilkeson Road(across from the Galleria) Mt. Lebanon, PA. This annual concert features the songs and hymns of Nativity sung from the various Orthodox musical traditions sung by Orthodox choirs from around the Pittsburgh area with a free will offering taken to help support the work of FOCUS Pittsburgh.

Tomorrow on Monday, December 12 we will have Divine Liturgy at 9:30 am for the Feast of Saint Spryridon the Wonderworker and for the commemoration of Tuesday's Feast of Saint Herman of Alaska. We would like to ask those able to join us and stay to help with the decorating of our Church for Nativity.

We offer a reminder that the Parish 2017 Wall Calendars are available and can be found on the tables in the Church Basement. We thank Geibel's Funeral Home for their continued sponsorship of these calendars for our parish.

We continue with the December Basket Raffle of a basket donated by Antoinette Kennedy and containing a light-up decorative tree and 7 Instant Lottery tickets and tickets are available for 1 for \$1, 5 for \$3 or 10 for \$5. The drawing will be held next Sunday, December 18 with all proceeds to benefit our General Fund and we encourage everyone to participate in this wonderful opportunity to help our Parish.

We again offer the opportunity for everyone to participate in the beautification of our Church during the Nativity season by donating for the Poinsettias. The cost is \$10 for each one and these donations can be made in honor or in memory of a living or departed loved one. Please use your parish offering envelopes and mark them as "Christmas flowers".

We continue to encourage everyone to participate in the Sacrament of Holy Confession as we prepare to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. There will be opportunities for this before Divine Liturgy on Sundays and any week day Feast as well as by appointment and we ask that everyone please try and come for Confession before Christmas Eve, December 24.

We invite everyone to come out to help with our Parish Pirohi Sale this week on Thursday and Friday, December 15 and 16: this will be the last one before Christmas and for 2016.

MAY CHRIST OUR GOD GRANT TO HIS SERVANTS ALL OF THE FAITHFUL OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH AND ALL OUR VISITORS TODAY, PEACE, HEALTH AND SALVATION AND MAY HE SAFEGUARD AND KEEP US ALL FOR MANY YEARS!