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Clergy: Father Paisius McGrath, Pastor Protopresbyter, William Diakiw, Attached Parish Board President: Karen Sheptak

Choir Director: Eric Prokopchak

Today, Sunday, December 17, Sunday of the Holy Forefathers, Divine Liturgy 10 am Church School Saint Nicholas Program and Luncheon Monday, December 18, Parish Executive Board Meeting, 6:30 pm Wednesday, December 20, Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ and Feast of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 am Thursday/Friday, December 21/22, Parish Pirohi Sale: Thursday 8-12, Friday 8-4 Sunday, December 24, Nativity Eve, Divine Liturgy 10 am Blessing of Prosphoras for Holy Supper Great Compline 8 pm

For Healing and Good Health: Metropolitan Antony, Archbishop Daniel, Protopresbyter William Diakiw, Pani Sonia Diakiw, Father John Harvey, Father Nestor Kowal, Panimatka Lillian Hnatko, Mary Keffalas, Kathryn, Brian, Ron Radio, Orycia Hammerschmitt, Stephen Sheptak, Gregory Prokopchak, Jessica Burka, Amanda Burka, Tanner Noble, Nick and Arianna Coyle, Jean Markiw, Kathryn Tymkiw, Jack Povlick, Mary Ann Jurysta, Sherri Burka, Emil Russo, Helen Burka, Michael Romanyshyn, 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, Iraq and Egypt

Memory Eternal: Shirley A. Smith

This morning following Divine Liturgy we invite everyone to join us for our Church School Saint Nicholas Day program and luncheon. Come and join us as we enjoy a wonderful program provided by the teachers and students of our Church School and enjoy a meal together as we get ready to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord!

We offer a special word of thanks to everyone in the parish who came out to help with the Parish Christmas Bake Sale this past week. Thank you very much for giving of your time, energy and talents as we worked together for the good of the Parish in this way!

We offer a word of thanks today to our Parish UOL Chapter and to Father Bogdan Bucur from our neighboring parish of Saint Anthony's for the wonderful Nativity Retreat yesterday. This was a very enjoyable time of learning more about the meaning of Christmas and what we are celebrating as we truly celebrate that God is with us!

This morning in our Parish Bulletin we offer a flyer with our Parish schedule for the celebration of the Festal services for the Nativity of our Lord and Epiphany/Theophany. We invite everyone to join us for these services as together as a parish community we celebrate these joyous days and through participation we offer our thanks to God for the many blessings He has and continues to shower upon us!

This morning we announce that our 2018 Parish Annual Meeting will take place following Divine Liturgy on Sunday, January 28. 2018. As a parish community we will gather together to review the life of our parish community in 2017 and look forward to the new year of 2018. We will also have the election for our Parish Executive Board positions of Vice President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and one Director. For anyone willing to serve the Parish in any of these positions, please talk with Father Paisius or a member of the Executive Board.

We are pleased to announce again that the 2018 Parish Wall Calendars are available on the tables in the basement of the Church, make sure to take your copies home. We offer a word of thanks to Geibel's Funeral Home for providing these calendars for us once again!

As we continue in the season of preparation for the Nativity of our Lord we would like to announce that everyone is invited to participate in the donation of the Poinsettas to decorate the Church for Christmas. Donations of \$10 can be made either in honor of a living family member or loved one or in memory of a departed family member or loved one and we ask that these donations be made by today Sunday, December 17 by using your offering enveloping and marking it for "Christmas Flowers".

This morning at our Luncheon and Saint Nicholas Day Program we will have the drawings for our Parish November and December Basket Raffles. Tickets are still available 1 for \$1, 5 for \$3 and 10 for \$5 with all proceeds to benefit our Parish General Fund. Get your tickets as we support our Parish in this way and have the opportunity to win and enjoy these wonderful prizes and baskets for the Holidays!

We invite everyone to come out to help for the final Pirohi Sale before Christmas this week on Thursday/Friday, December 21/22. Come and help us as we work together for the good of our Parish community in this way!

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!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22

- Nativity Royal Hours 9 am

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, NATIVITY EVE

- Divine Liturgy of Saint John 10 am
- Great Compline 8 pm

MONDAY, DECEMBER 25, NATIVITY OF CHRIST

- Orthros 9 am followed by Christmas Carols
- Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil 10 am

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2ND DAY OF NATIVITY/SYNAXIS OF THE HOLY THEOTOKOS

- Orthros 8:45 am
- Divine Liturgy of Saint John 9:30 am

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 3RD DAY OF NATIVITY/SAINT STEPHEN THE PROTOMARTYR

- Orthros 8:45 am
- Divine Liturgy of Saint John 9:30 am

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30

- Great Vespers 4 pm

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, LEAVETAKING OF NATIVITY

- 3rd Hour and Christmas Carols 9:45 am
- Divine Liturgy 10 am

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST/ SAINT BASIL THE GREAT/ NEW YEAR'S DAY

- -Orthos 9 am
- -Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil 10 am

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, THEOPHANY EVE

- -Royal Hours 9 am
- -Vesperal Liturgy of Saint Basil with Great Blessing of Water 10:30 am
- -Great Compline 5 pm
- -Epiphany Holy Supper at Ukrainian Hall 2nd
 Floor

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, EPIPHANY/THEOPHANY

- -Orthros 8:45 am
- -Divine Liturgy 9:30 am

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, SYNAXIS OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

- -Orthros 9 am
- -Divine Liturgy 10 am

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

- Great Vespers 4 pm

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14, LEAVETAKING OF EPIPHANY/THEOPHANY

- -Greeting of Archbishop Daniel 9:30 am
- -Hierarchical Divine Liturgy 10 am
- -Pan- Orthodox Great Blessing of Water at Moraine 1 pm