

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**Sunday After Christmas, December 27, 2015****Feast of St. Stephen**

9:00 AM Lit. + Michael & Helen Blyskun r/by Family

11:30 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Monday, December 28, 2015

No Liturgy Scheduled

Tuesday, December 29, 2015

8:00 AM Lit. + Margaret Zakanycz

r/by Maryann, Susan, John Peter Zakanycz

Wednesday, December 30, 20158:00 AM Lit. + Olena Kuch (40th Day)**Thursday, December 31, 2015**

5:00 PM - Lit. + John Adamshick r/by St. Ann's Society

Friday, January 1, 2016**Circumcision of Our Lord, Feast of St. Basil the Great**

10:00 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Saturday, January 2, 2016

8:00 AM Lit. Health of Anastasia r/by Victoria

5:00 PM Lit. Special Intention of Glenys Ann r/by Family

Sunday Before Theophany, January 3, 2016*Epistle - 2 Tim 4:5-8; Gospel - Mk 1:1-8*

9:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

11:30 AM Lit. + Elena Fazio r/by St. Ann's Society

New Year's Eve Dance, "Zabava"

For the 10th year in a row, the annual New Year's Eve Zabava sponsored by our Parish will be held in our school auditorium on Thursday, December 31, 2015 at 8:00 p.m. Music by "ANNA-MARIA ENTERTAINMENT," tickets - \$80.00 per person. Children (5-12) - \$40.00. (Tickets after Dec. 25, - \$90.00). A Delicious, Bountiful Buffet Dinner will be served at 8:00 p.m. and will be available all evening. There will be a champagne toast and dessert table. Tickets can be purchased during coffee hour after Sunday 9:00 a.m. Liturgy or call 732-826-0767 or 202-368-2408.

Volunteers Needed

The New Year's Eve Dance is a Church sponsored event and proceeds will defray the expenses of the church's property insurance, which last year was over thirty-two thousand dollars.

Many hands make light work, means large tasks become small when divided among several people. Please consider volunteering your services for several hours, whether in the kitchen, helping with decorations, or cleanup on the day after. Volunteers are needed on Tuesday, Dec. 29 starting at 6 PM, Wednesday Dec. 30 starting at 6 PM, and Thursday, Dec. 31 starting at 2 PM. Please come and help if you can! Both men and women are needed!

Sincere Sympathies

Our most sincere sympathies are extended to the family and friends of + NASTIA YURECHKO who was recently called to her eternal reward.

Donations to Church**In Memory of + NASTIA YURECHKO**

\$200.00 - Pohlid Family

\$100.00 - Sharon & George Blyskun

\$100.00 - Helen & Robert Cheloc

\$100.00 - Oksana Drozowiak

\$100.00 - Idak and Chechel Family

\$100.00 - Lydia & Roman Kernitsky

\$100.00 - Alla & Stepan Korostil

\$100.00 - Horbatiuk and Kamarnitsky Family

\$100.00 - Maria Ochotsky

\$100.00 - Diane Basniak Wiesen & Family

\$50.00 - Olga & Mychailo Lystiuk

Bishop Gabro School Endowment Fund

\$500.00 - Rozalia Czaban, in memory of

+ CZABAN and ANDRUSEZKO Families

Parish Christmas Concert

On Sunday, January 10 after the 9:00 a.m. Liturgy our parish children and choir "Boyan" will have a Christmas concert downstairs in our hall. Please plan to attend and to hear the old traditional Ukrainian Christmas Carols being sung and see our young parishioners perform. Admission is free.

Prospora (Holy Supper)

On the evening of Wednesday, January 6, 2015 at 7:00 PM, we will hold a Prospora, Holy Supper, the traditional Ukrainian Christmas Eve supper. This year our Prospora will be sponsored and organized by the men of the Holy Name Society. The menu will consist of meatless dishes. The Holy Name members will prepare the food, so there is no need to bring a dish, but please consider bringing a dessert. There is no charge, but you must sign up by Sunday, January 3, 2016 so that we can set enough places for all. A sign-up sheet is available in the church hall.

Contribution Envelopes

Your 2016 Church Contribution Envelopes are ready for pickup downstairs in the church hall. They are in alphabetical order. If you do not find your box of 2016 envelopes, please contact Fr. Ivan or our parish secretary Anna as soon as possible.

Christmas Concert by "VATRA"

A concert by the popular Ukrainian ensemble "Vatra" founded by a prominent composer Ihor Bilozir, will be held at the school auditorium of Assumption Parish, 380 Meredith St, Perth Amboy, NJ on Saturday, January 2 at 6:00 pm. Tickets for the concert can be purchased at the door. Admission - \$25/adult; \$15/children (6-12). For more information call the rectory, 732-826-0767.

Congratulations

Our parish would like to extend good wishes to our parishioner and choir member Lisa Romanetz on receiving a Doctorate of Medicine. Congratulations on this wonderful achievement Dr. Lisa!

Getting Married in 2016 or 2017?

If you are considering getting married at our parish in 2016 or 2017 please contact Fr. Ivan at 732-826-0767. This year, St. John's parish in Newark, NJ once again will be sponsoring a PRE-CANA Program for all those who plan to get married this coming year. Please note that this year, the Pre Cana courses will be offered only once on the weekend of February 20th & 21st. Pre Cana is a prerequisite for all those who want to have their wedding here. Please register as soon as possible.

Christmas Carol Festival

The Annual Festival of Christmas Carols will be held on Sunday, January 10, 2016 at 3 p.m. in the golden-domed Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia. Choirs from different parishes will participate. Everyone is welcome.

Church's Tree Lighting Ceremony**Kicks Off Holiday Season.**

On Saturday, December 12, 2015 after the 5:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy parishioners gathered in front of the church to herald in the holiday season with the parish's first annual tree lighting ceremony. It was just a beautiful way to bring the community together to start the Christmas season. After the ceremony parishioners and their children enjoyed hot chocolate and cookies in the parish hall. Thanks to the men of the parish Holy Name Society for sponsoring this event.