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Nativity 2020

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I would like to take this opportunity to express to you my deepest wishes for a Blessed Nativity Season. As we begin to prepare to celebrate one of the holiest seasons of the year, it is with great love that I pray that God grant each of you the peace and joy in your hearts that is synonymous with Christmas.

We are about to close the year 2020 and begin a new chapter in our lives with the start of 2021. Most will agree that this past year was very unique, to say the least. But I want you to know that none of you have been forgotten. During each and every Divine Liturgy, when the "Prayer in Time of Devastating & Death-Bearing Pestilence" is read, we are calling to remembrance all of you; you who are present at the Liturgy, and you who are absent for a reasonable cause. We can only pray that God will have mercy on us all and take this pandemic away from us so that we can all return to the church and worship together as one family.

Enclosed in this letter is the schedule of services for the upcoming Nativity Season. You are welcome to join us for as many of the services possible.

Also, I would like to inform you that Blessing of Homes will take place as usual. I will start blessing homes on January 18, 2021 and continue through the end of January. Please check our parish website or Facebook page in mid-January for the complete schedule of blessing homes. If you know that you will not be available on your scheduled day, please notify me beforehand.

May your hearts be filled with the peace, love and joy that only the New-Born King can give. Let us all raise our voices and proclaim with the angels: "Peace on Earth and good will towards men".

With love in Jesus Christ,

Fr. Dimitri D. Ermakov