

Holy Virgin Dormition

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26th Sunday after Pentecost 3 December 2023

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY (Tone 1)

Ephesians 5:8-19; Luke 12:16-21

Next Sunday, Ephesians 6:10-17; Luke 13:10-17

Vespers every Saturday evening @ 5:00 PM

REQUIEM MEMORIALS FOR TODAY

ND Olga Mikus, offered by Barron Family

ND Mihailo Dragovich, offered by Simo & Paula Dragovich

ND Barbara Homa, offered by Nick Gatto

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Presentation of the Virgin Mary – Monday, December 4

Immediately following Divine Liturgy – Great Vespers with blessing of bread, wheat, wine and oil

Monday Morning, 9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

SAINTS NAME FOR THIS WEEK TODAY, SUNDAY (Dec 3/Nov 20)- Greogry, Proclus, Evstathius, Thespesius, Anatoly, Dasius, Azatus, Sasonius, *Thekla, Anna*, Nirsus, Joseph, John, Saverius, Isaac, Ipatius. MON- Presentation of the Holy Virgin into the Temple: Yaropolk, Peter. TUE- *Cecilia*, Valerian, Tiburtius, Maxim, Kallistos, Menignus, Michael, Philemon, Archippus, *Apphia*. WED- Amfilogius, Gregory, Alexander (Nevsky). THUR- *Catherine, Augusta, Mastridia, Merkurius, Porfyrius*, Simon, Alexander, Luke. FRI- End of Presentation Feast, Clement, Peter. SAT- Alipius, Innocent, George, James/Jacob, Nikon.

Christmas Candle Reservations

Orders for special candles for Christmas are now being taken in the back of the church. Please use the book provided to make your candle request. When requesting candles or vigils, please use one line per candle. Reservations are due no later than Sunday, December 31, 2023.

Nativity Fast

We are currently in the Nativity Fast begins. No meats should be eaten until we celebrate the Feast of Nativity of Christ on January 7th. During this Lenten period, all of us should make an effort to receive Confession and Communion and we should prepare ourselves to receive Communion on Christmas Day.

Wall Calendars for 2024

Wall Calendars for 2024 are now available. These calendars are a gift from Dr. Robert Yakovac. Please use these calendars to plan your daily activities around the feasts and fasts of the church.

First Votive Cross

Offered by Simo & Dragovich.

Second Votive Cross

Offered by Carolyn Simkovich.

St. Herman's Shrine

Offered by Nick Gatto in memory of wife, Fran.

Iconostas Lampadi

Offered by Barron Family.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for the year 2024 are now available to our parishioners. As in the past, they will be in the church auditorium and you are asked to take your envelopes for you and your family.

Just a reminder that there are only five Sundays left for the year 2023. DO NOT USE YOUR 2023 ENVELOPES AFTER SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2023. Like it has been state many times, your number has likely changed for 2024 and you will be giving credit to someone else. This has happened as well in the past.

MAINTENANCE OBLIGATIONS FULFILLED For November 2023

Archpriest Dimitri & Mat. Natasha Ermakov 20 Elena & Philip Anischenko 30 Patricia Barron 20 Robert Barron 20 Carole Bonczek 40 Elizabeth Bratkowski 15 Vera Croitoru 50 Ronald Demay 30 Carol DePaul 20 John Dolekary 20 Nadine Dorosa 20 Paula Dragovich 20 Rdr. Dimitri Ermakov II Sandra Gephart 20 Carolyn Greco Anthony & Janet Homa 20 Traci Hrehor 20 Evan Hrehor 20 Isaac Hrehor 20 Peter Kasich Georgeann Klipa 25 James & Adriana Klipa 20 Daniel & Lindsay Klipa 60 Sandra Kloszewski 20 Nicholas Kloszewski Dale Kuehner 20 Dustin Lacko 20 Michael & Marina Mezinsky 20 Dan & Mary Mizik Nancy Parker 40 Helen Pennington 50 Deborah Schultz Julia Shaffer 20 Carolyn Simkovich Marcella Sippey Marion Temple 30 Diane Tomkowitz Michael Tomkowitz Stephen Tomkowitz Cathy Torchia 11 Arthur & Dolores Vidil 40 Eileen Wall Dr. Robert & Tamara Yakovac 195 Sheri Yammarino 20