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Sunday before Christmas: Holy Fathers

31 December 2023

SCRIPTURES FOR TODAY (Tone 5)

Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40; Matthew 1:1-25

Next Sunday, Galatians 4:4-4; Matthew 2:1-12

# **REQUIEM MEMORIALS FOR TODAY**

ND Patricia Rogers

Louis W. Gephart (1 yr, 12/30), offered by wife & family

SAINTS NAME FOR THIS WEEK TODAY, SUNDAY (Dec 31/18)-Sebastian, Nikostratus, Zoia, Castorius, Tranquilin, Markelinus, Mark, Claudius, Symforian, Victorin, Tivurtius, Castulus, Florus, Michael, Modest. MON- Bonifat, Aglaida, Elijah, Provus, Arisus, Polievteus, Timothy, Gregory, Susanna. TUE- Ignatius, Filogon, Daniel, John (Kondstadt). WED- Juliana, Peter, Themistoclius, Prokopy. THUR- Anastasia, Theodotia, Chrisogonus, Evodus. FRI- Theodulus, Satorninus, Evporus, Gelasius, Evnikian, Zoticus, Pompius, Agathopus, Vasilidus, Evarest, Paul, Naum, David, Theoctist. SAT- Eve of Christ's Nativity: Eugenia, Claudia, Philip, Hyacinth (Jancinth), Basilla, Protos, Nicholas, Antiochus, Afrodisius, Achmedus.

# **Christmas Candle Reservations**

Today is the last day for candle requests. No requests received after today will be printed in the Christmas bulletin. Please use the book provided to make your candle request. When requesting candles or vigils, please use one line per candle.

# Luncheon Sign-ups

We hope to continue Sunday Luncheons this coming new year. A new list is in the back of the church for anyone who would like to sponsor a luncheon next year.

# Nativity of Christ Schedule of Services (2024)

Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup> 8:30 AM, Royal Hours

Christmas Eve (Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup>) 9:00 AM, Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom 7:00 PM, Complines and Matins

Christmas Day (Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup>) 9:15 AM, Hours 9:40 AM, Christmas Carols 10:00 AM, Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

Second Day of Christmas (Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>) 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy Hot Dog Brigade to Mr. Hoagie after services.

Third Day of Christmas - (Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>) 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy

#### OFFERING ENVELOPES

This is the last Sunday of 2023. DO NOT USE YOUR 2023 ENVELOPES AFTER TODAY. You may dispose of all unused offering envelopes for the year 2023 immediately. Any donations received after today will be credited on the 2024 financial reports. Like it has been stated 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.

#### **Church Decoration**

We will be decorating the church for the Feast of the Nativity on today. Anyone wishing to help in this endeavor are welcome to stay after Liturgy that day to accomplish this task.

# Christmas Offerings

Remember that only offerings made in the "Christmas" envelope will be printed in the gift list.

### Last Chance for Confessions

Confessions will be heard Friday morning after the reading of Royal Hours. Confessions will also be heard Saturday evening before and after the Complines and Matins. Confessions on Saturday evening will begin approximately at 6:00 PM. No Confessions will be heard before Divine Liturgy on Christmas Day.