



HOLY GHOST ORTHODOX CHURCH

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JANUARY 12, 2025 – 29th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 4

After-feast of the Theophany. Sunday after Theophany

<u>Scripture Readings</u>	<u>Services</u>
<p>MONDAY, JANUARY 13 Hebrews 8:7-13 Mark 8:11-21</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 Hebrews 9:8-10, 15-23 Mark 8:22-26</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 Hebrews 10:1-18 Mark 8:30-34</p> <p>THURSDAY, JANUARY 16 Hebrews 10:35-11:7 Mark 9:10-16</p> <p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 17 Hebrews 11:8, 11:16 Mark 9:33-41</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 Ephesians 5:1-8 Luke 14:1-11</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8 Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 Great Vespers.....4:00 p.m.</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 – 29th Sunday after Pentecost After-feast of the Theophany, Sunday after Theophany Divine Liturgy.....9:00 a.m. “Second Sunday” will feature Egg-Sandwich Sunday</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 Bible Study.....6:30 p.m.</p> <p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 Great Vespers.....4:00 p.m.</p> <p>SUNDAY, JANUARY 19 – 30th Sunday After Pentecost Divine Liturgy.....9:00 a.m. Parish Council Meeting.....11:30 a.m.</p>
<p><i>All services will also be streamed online via Facebook Live as follows:</i> https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Ghost-Russian-Orthodox-Greek-Catholic-Church-681248091936330/</p> <p>Reminder: The schedule of services can be found on the front page of our website, holyghostbpt.org. The schedule is recorded on the Google Calendar of the church’s acct. You can add it to your own Google Calendar by clicking the + sign on the bottom right corner of the calendar window.</p>	

After-feast of the Theophany of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Commemorated on January 12

The sixth day of the After-feast of Theophany falls on January 12. Divine grace shines forth so that we might be freed from the power of the devil, and cleansed of our sins in Baptism.

“He who once assumed the appearance of a malignant serpent and implanted death in the creation, is now cast into darkness by Christ’s coming in the flesh....” (Ode 3, second Canon at Matins).

“Through the Spirit and by the grace that comes through water, He grants a new birth to all who acknowledge His divinity, delivering them from their faults” (Ode 6, first Canon at Matins).



Ephesians 4:7-13

(Epistle, Sunday After)

7

But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ’s gift.

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Therefore, He says: “When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men.”

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(Now this, “He ascended” – what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth?

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He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.)

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And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

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for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

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till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

Matthew 4:12-17

(Gospel, Sunday After)

12

Now when Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, He departed to Galilee.

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And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali,

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that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying:

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“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, by the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles:

16

The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned.”

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From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

HOUSE BLESSINGS AFTER THEOPHANY ... A reminder that Fr Mark will be blessing houses after Theophany this year. Please see Fr Mark if you would like your home blessed.

CANDLE DESK DUTY

January 12 – Tim Savisky

January 19 – Daria Ploski-Slavin

If you are unable to make your scheduled day, please switch with another member.

NEW: COFFEE HOUR CLEAN-UP ROTA ... This week's cleanup crew is Group K through O. If this is your week to help, please see crew chief Jerry Kopko for instructions. Thank you!

DONATIONS / CANDLES

- Lampatki over Royal Doors for the health and happiness of Carter Savisky Varrichio on his second birthday, from his family.
- Large Cross (L) in loving memory of Eugenia (Jeanne) Zaffis on her 9th anniversary of falling asleep in the Lord, from her daughter, Barbara Dulin and family; and in loving memory of Step-grandfather, Jacob Kisley.

2024 TAX RECEIPT NEEDED? ... Please see Sue Maugeri if you would like a receipt for donations made to Holy Ghost in 2024.

“SECOND SUNDAY” TODAY! ... Egg, Sausage, & Cheese sandwiches with tater tots and beverage can be purchased for \$8.00.

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ... is scheduled for **January 19th**.

LOCAL VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY ... The Beth-El Homeless Shelter in Milford is looking for volunteers to help out from late morning to early afternoon on Wednesday, January 29 and Friday, January 31 in preparing and serving lunches to clients. If you're available and interested, please contact Dave Lepesko or Fr Mark.

FOCUS NA EXPLORATORY MEETING AT HOLY GHOST THURSDAY, JANUARY 23rd
FOCUS North America is a national pan-Orthodox organization dedicated to serving the poor and needy in urban areas across the country. They have recently set their sites on starting a center in Bridgeport! To explore what this would look like, there will be a meeting here at the basement of Holy Ghost on **Thursday, January 23 at 7:00PM**, with dinner provided by FOCUS. You are invited! Come and join other Orthodox Christians around the area to explore how we might all serve our community together. Please RSVP to sblevins@focusna.org by **January 16**. See attached flyer and information.

DECEMBER 5, DIVINE LITURGY – EVE OF THEOPHANY, BLESSING OF WATER



DECEMBER 5, BLESSING THE CHURCH / YOLKA PERFORMANCE



DECEMBER 6, THEOPHANY DIVINE LITURGY



PARISH METRICS (JANUARY 12 THRU JANUARY 18)

BIRTHDAYS

Jack McGinnis, January 11th (13 years old)

God Grant him Many Years!

Многая лета!

ANNIVERSARIES

None Listed

DEPARTED FROM THE PARISH METRICS

JANUARY 12 – Zinaida Gribko, 1911; John Kasper, 1929 (58); Jacob Kisley, 1966 (80); Vitaly Drobashevsky, 1968 (71); Paul Marmish, 1968 (72); Michael Rukan, 1977 (59); Joseph LaPut, 1984 (67); Olga (Leson) Rader, 1999 (87)

JANUARY 13 – Nicholas Salosevich, 1928 (10 days); Michael Super, 1960 (83)

JANUARY 14 – Stephen Dichko, 1900 (2 months); Albert Ambrose, 1907 (68); John Cherpak, 1950 (80); Nikolai Romanchenko, 1967 (80); Mary Zamoida-Bruchansky Rebachonok, 1972 (76); John Yevich, 1991 (77)

Catherine Cherpak, 1962 (72); Paul Beloblosky, 1971 (78); August G. (Constantine) Costeines, 1981 (67); John Wesnak, 1996 (87); Anna Zinovenko, 2003 (94)

JANUARY 15 – Michael Super, 1908 (31); Sophia Gudov, 1919 (16 months); Joseph Pishtey, 1940 (67); Michael Klotz, 1941 (60); Boris Bondar, 1956 (75); Nicholas Shishkin, 1957 (78); William Karaseff, 1972 (80); Mary Titorenko Hudak, 1974 (57); Edward Rostocki, 1985 (55); Alexander Fabian, 2006

JANUARY 16 – Stephanida Sidor, 1907 (40); Tatiana Nazarov, 1911 (28); Irina Milevsky, 1917 (11 months); Sophia Bratkowsky, 1940 (42); Alexei Sidorovich, 1948 (61); Victor Martinoff, 1961 (60); Elizabeth Beloblosky, 1962 (56); Walter Klepadlo, 1967 (55); Stephanida (Stella) Misovich Yurgilevich, 1972 (78); Chester Andzrejewski, Sr., 1972 (48); Zinaida Koval, 1972 (77); George Jankura, 1976 (84); Pelagia (Pauline) Gorelick, 1987 (92); Theodore Lepesko, 2013 (81); Eugenia (Jeanne) Bychkowski Zaffis, 2016 (93)

JANUARY 17 – Gregory Jankura, 1921 (2); Anton Nestor, 1962 (74); Joseph Pretko, 1985 (87); Natalie Wysocki, 1986 (95); Ann Fuchs, 2005

JANUARY 18 – Alippy Mitskovich, 1927 (38); Kuzma Shariko, 1956 (71); Alexandra Rukan, 1957 (63); George John Jankura, 1959 (48); John Rodak, 1968 (78); William Koteas, 1986 (56); Anne Baird, 2004

Memory Eternal!

Вечная память!



(Beautiful, festive flowers provided & arranged by Debbie Rapaport. Thank you Debbie!)