

The Word of Sts. Peter & Paul

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Christ is Born!

Today

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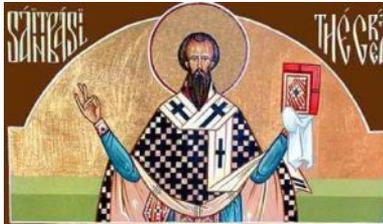
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Today, on Sunday January 14, 2018 we are celebrating three occasions. The feast of Circumcision of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Feast of St. Basil the Great, archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia and Julain New Year!

In the fourth century, one of the greatest Fathers of the Christian Church appeared on the spiritual horizon of the Orthodox Faith. His name was Basil and he was Bishop of Caesarea, Cappadocia (Asia Minor). He was born four years after the First Ecumenical Council held in the year 325 A.D. Saint Basil was one of the three Cap-

padocian Fathers of the Church (the others were Gregory of Nazianzus, his best friend, and his brother, Gregory of Nyssa).

Saint Basil was the first person in human history to establish an orphanage for little children. He also founded the first Christian hospital in the world. His fame as a Holy Man spread like wildfire throughout the Byzantine world. He was considered one of the most wise and compassionate clergymen in the entire history of the Church. His Feast Day is observed on January 1st, the beginning of the New Year and the Epiphany season. The Church, therefore, in respect for his many contributions to the Church and to mankind in general, combined the joy and happiness of the New Year with the glory of the birth of Christ, and the Epiphany into what is known in the Orthodox Church as the Vasilopita Observance.

The conclusion of one calendar year and the beginning of another is a time filled with reflection and anticipation. It is a time when we look back over the past year and consider our challenges and joys, our highlights and struggles, and our accomplishments as well as the tasks that are not completed. It is also a time when we look ahead to a new year with a sense of anticipation, contemplating what may come, planning our activities, and hoping for health and happiness.

All of this reflection and anticipation is encouraged by a culture around us that celebrates the passing of the year and of time without a deep spiritual connection to the events and commemorations that reflect genuine hope and assurance. As Orthodox Christians we are blessed at this time of year to celebrate two beautiful and holy feasts of the Church which are filled with both reflection and anticipation. Only a few days have passed since our celebration of the Feast of our Lord's Nativity, a commemoration of the light of truth dispelling the darkness of sin and death and a feast of joy in anticipation of God's blessings. Today we celebrate the day when new born King of Kings has received His name – Jesus – saves us all!

In a few days we will celebrate the Feast of Theophany, another great occasion filled with light and grace. We will commemorate

Liturgical Schedule

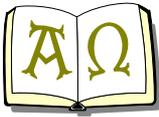
Today
Sunday
January 14

32nd Sunday after Pentecost. Tone seven.

Sunday after the Nativity and before the Baptism of Our Lord and God and Saviour Jesus Christ
The Circumcision of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

St. Basil the Great, archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia (379). Martyr Basil of Ancyra (ca. 362). St. Amelia, mother of Sts. Macrina, Basil the Great and Gregory of Nyssa (375).

St. Gregory, bishop of Nazianzus (374) and father of St. Gregory the Theologian.



Colossians 2:8-12 Circumcision

Luke 2:20-21, 40-52 Circumcision

2 Timothy 4:5-8 Sunday Before

Mark 1:1-8 Sunday Before

Reader of the Hours - Harry Oryhon

Reader of the Eng. Epist.- Harry Oryhon

Reader of the Ukr. Epist.- Halyna Kashpar

Thursday January 18 6:00pm Eve of the Theophany Vespers and
Great blessing of the water

Friday, January 19 9:30 am Divine Liturgy and blessing of the water.
The Holy Theophany.

Sunday
January 21

33rd Sunday after Pentecost. Tone eight.

Sunday after the Baptism of Our Lord and God and Saviour Jesus Christ. Venerable Gregory, wonderworker of the Kiev Caves (1093). Venerable Gregory, hermit of the Kiev Caves (14th c.).

Martyrs Julian and his wife Basilissa, and with them Marcionilla and her son Celsus, Anthony, Anastasius, seven children, and twenty soldiers, at Antioe in Egypt (313).

1 Timothy 4:9-15

Luke 19:1-10

Ephesians 4:7-13 Sunday After

Matthew 4:12-17 Sunday After



Colossians 3:4-11 Epistle

Luke 14:16-24 Gospel

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the baptism of Jesus by John in the Jordan and the revelation of the Holy Trinity as Christ inaugurated His earthly ministry. On this day we will reflect on the spiritual significance of this miraculous event, and we will anticipate our continuous transformation in the journey of faith unto salvation.

Both of these feasts help us to put the passing of time and the beginning of the new year into a proper and spiritual context. When joined with our festal commemorations as Orthodox Christians, this beginning of a new year, this time of reflection and anticipation is focused on our spiritual lives and on our ministry of prayer and service. In the Feast of the Nativity we are presented with the One who became man for our salvation, and in the Feast of Theophany we are enlightened by the witness of the One who sanctifies our lives with His presence. In His holy birth we receive the gift that should be offered and proclaimed throughout the world, and in His baptism we see the power of the Holy Spirit who also anoints us to share grace and truth through our lives.

Thus, we begin a new year with our hearts and minds filled with these celebrations and with the grace and calling we share as the children of God. We begin a new year with opportunities for worship and service as we deepen our communion with God and strengthen our witness to others. We begin a new year in the Lord with a commitment to live each moment in the presence of Christ and to use each day to bring Him honor and glory. We begin a new year reflecting on the revelation of God's love, on His forgiveness, on our journey, and we anticipate the blessings of His power and grace in days to come.

Seraphim Group



Seraphim group meets every second Tuesday of the month. ***Next meeting is Tuesday January 16, 2018 We will meet*** at Noon at the Church Hall for lunch and socializing. ***Election of the seraphim Group President.*** Join us for great get togethers, outings and more each month. Fun time in the circle of fellow parishioners. Delicious food, nice atmosphere and great company. Great opportunity to socialize, make friends. ***For more information see Fr. Vasyil.***

Parish Council

Wishing all of our parishioners and guests Blessed Nativity and Happy New Year!

Parish Council meeting is every third Sunday of the Month.

Next meeting is Sunday January 21st after the Coffee Hour.

Representatives from parish organizations must be present.

Donation envelopes

Donation envelopes for 2018 are ready to be picked up at the entrance of the Church. Look for your last name.

If you do not have donation envelopes but would like to get for 2018, please see John Grzysky or fill out a form on the back table in the Church.

The donations envelopes help us keep track of your donations, so we can issue a letter at the end of the year with a summary of your donations for tax purposes.

Sisterhood of St. Anne

Thank you again for a good and successful year. May God continue to bless you and your family throughout the New Year.

Next Pierogy working days are:

Sunday January 28 - make cheese balls

Monday January 29—8:00am—Noon

January 30- 8:00am—Noon

January 31- 8:00am—Noon

February 1 Thursday Sale—Noon—4:00pm



Prayer Corner for the Month of January

We ask all of you to remember in your prayers the following individuals, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

Eleanor, Ethel Smith, Michael P, Stephanie Luchyn, Catherine Hladky, Andrew Hladky, Wally and Ann Podlecki, Valentina Schacht, Susan Hendrixson, Rayan, Dean Manson, Vera Beggs, Pavlo & Polina, Barbara Patronik, Elias, Roxana, Irene, Katheryna Czerniak, Lilian Cepynsky, Josephine Hobert, Anthony Bendy, Katie Bruce, Maria Omelian, Patti Faye, Toni Marie Klavin, Hazel Gardiner, Michael Kimak, Chloe Mckinney, Yuri Zmysly, Paul Jr & Dorothy Seliga, Wolodymer Kashpar, Nick Kapusta, Priest Vasyl Dovhan, Priest Bazil Zaveruha, Priest David Clooney, Frankie, Zachary, Alexander, Paul, Dolores.



Seven Day Vigil Candles

For the health of my son Mikola and Olga
by Halyna Kashpar

For the health of my parents Polina & Pavlo in Ukraine
by Halyna Kashpa

For the health of my daughter Iryna with family by
Halyna Kashpar

God's blessings for a healthy, happy new year and always in the
future for the Oberts family Anne, Bill, Nicholas & Michael. Spe-
cial intentions for the Oberts Family

For the health and God's blessings for Our Friend Vince
by Redmerski Family

For the health and healing of Loraine Ehlert by Katie &
Barbara Bruce

God's blessings for the health of family members by Barbara and
Katie Bruce

God's blessings for our expecting mother PM Olenka
by Fr. Vasyl

For our dear mother & Grandmother Eleanor
by Masur Family

For the health of Maxwell & Henry by Masur Family

In loving memory of newlydeported Leonid in Ukraine
by Kashpar Family

Michael Cheroim and His Family in loving memory of his sister
Alexandra Pawlenko

In memory of our dear friend Andrea Ishikawa by Masur Family



Christmas Season Donations in the mail

William & Carol Bartlett in memory of our parents Orich & Hu-
sayko Families- \$225.00

Dorothy Husayko - \$100.00



Snow Removal Winter 2018

WEEK OF 01/14 THRU 01/20 -- JEFF BENDY

WEEK OF 01/21 THRU 01/27 -- HARRY ORYHON

WEEK OF 01/28 THRU 02/03 -- MARK MASUR

*If unable to make your scheduled week, please find
the replacement and let Fr. Vasyl know.*



Soup –er Bowl Sunday



UOL Chapter – Soup-er Bowl Sunday
Once again this year, Senior UOL chapter is sponsoring and organizing Soup-er Bowl on Sunday February 4, 2018 after Divine Liturgy. Please come and share a bowl of soup for a good cause. All proceeds will be donated to Soup Kitchen in Ukraine.

Our talented Chefs of the parish please create and donate soups for the event. You have a chance to shine with your talents!!!

Sign up sheet at the entrance of the Church.

For more info see Anatol Bilyk

Church Humor

A pastor fell out with his church council over various church policies and procedures, including how the finances were handled. After bitter arguments and many nights of lost sleep, he decided to leave the congregation to take a job as a prison chaplain. He preached his last sermon at the church on John 14:1: “I go to prepare a place for you.”

Eternal Light

In memory of Michael & Dorothy. Memory Eternal
by Katie & Barbara Bruce.



Monthly Memorial Panahyda



Janaury 28: In memory of +Nickolas Podlecki
Sr. Requested by Carol Podlecki

In memory of Brother + Michael and Sister
+ Dorothy by Barbara & Katie Bruce.

In loving memory of my mother +Nadia Wanshula.
Requested by Liliana Roviario

Coffee Hour Schedule



We kindly remind to provide and set aside snacks/food/ drinks for our children who attend Sunday School.

Today -- PM Olenka & Fr. Vasyl

January 21 -- open

January 28 -- Nina Coker and Pat Wolsko

February 4 --“SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY”

February 11 -- Sandra Hladky and Jeanne Maack

February 18 -- Donna & Jim Nevels

February 25 – Masur Family

If you would like to volunteer for the Coffee Hour or need to change your scheduled date, please see Dr. Harry Oryhon call 708-301-5565 or email harrymolars@aol.com

Nativity Season Schedule

Sunday, January 14 at 9:30am Divine Liturgy. Sunday Before Theophany and the New Year Julian calendar and the Feast of St. Basil the Great

Thursday, January 18 at 6:00pm Eve of the Theophany Vespers and Great blessing of the water

Friday, January 19 at 9:30 am Divine Liturgy and blessing of the water. **The Holy Theophany.** The Baptism of Our Savior Jesus Christ. *House blessing Begins*

Saturday January 20, at 5:00 pm Vespers and Confessions

Sunday, January 21 at 9:30 am Divine Liturgy Sunday after Theophany

Saturday January 27, at 5:00 pm Vespers and Confessions

Sunday, January 28 at 9:30 am Divine Liturgy