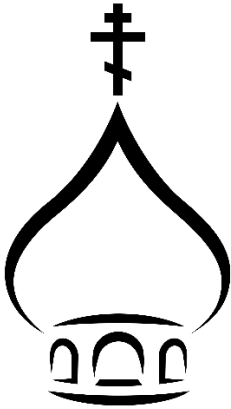


Divine Liturgy

Sunday, December 20, 2020

Forefast of the Nativity of Christ

Sunday before the Nativity



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Note to our Guests and Friends Visiting St. Nicholas:

We offer a most sincere and heart-felt welcome to St. Nicholas Church! Please be advised that according to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves to receive the Holy Sacrament.

(Please note - Information to be included in next Sunday's bulletin must be submitted by noon on Thursday. Thank you! ~ Jennifer N. Bzik)

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Schedule for the Week of December 20, 2020

28th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 3. Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ. Repose of St. John of Kronstadt (1908). Sunday before the Nativity.

Hieromartyr Ignatius the God-bearer, Bishop of Antioch (107). Ven. Ignatii (Ignatius), Archimandrite of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves–1435). St. Philogonius, Bishop of Antioch (323). St. Daniel II, Archbishop of Serbia (1338).

Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

Please note that due to Covid-19 precautions, all confessions will be heard by appointment only. Please contact Fr. Matthew by phone or text to schedule.

(All Parishioners must review and follow the St. Nicholas Church Reopening Guidance when attending services in person.)

Tuesday, December 22, 2020

12:00 pm - Deadline for ALL services this week

Wednesday, December 23, 2020

7:00 pm - Reading of the Royal Hours of Nativity - (Live Stream will also be available)

Thursday, December 24, 2020

Eve of The Nativity of Christ
7:00 pm - Vigil of the Nativity (Live Stream will also be available)

Friday, December 25, 2020

Nativity of Our Lord
9:10 am - Reading of the Hours (Live Stream will also be available)
9:30 am - Divine Liturgy - (Live Stream will also be available)
10:45 am - Communion for Parish Children

Saturday, December 26, 2020

Synaxis of the Theotokos

8:50 am - Reading of the Hours (Live Stream will also be available)

9:00 am - Divine Liturgy (Live Stream will also be available)

10:15 am - Communion for Parish Children (Wait outside the main Church Doors)

6:00 pm - Great Vespers (Live Stream will also be available)

Sunday, December 27, 2020

Sunday after the Nativity of Christ - Feast of St. Stephen

9:10 am - Reading of the Hours (Live Stream will also be available)

9:30 am - Divine Liturgy (Live Stream will also be available)

10:45 am - Communion for Parish Children

Wednesday, December 30, 2020

7:00 pm - Readers Vespers (Live Stream only)

Friday, January 1, 2021

The Circumcision of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; St. Basil the Great

8:50 am - Reading of the Hours (Live Stream will also be available)

9:00 am - Divine Liturgy (Live Stream will also be available)

10:15 am - Communion for Parish Children

Saturday, January 2, 2021

5:15 pm - Monthly Panikhida (Live Stream will also be available)

6:00 pm - Great Vespers (Live Stream will also be available)

Sunday, January 3, 2021

Forefeast of the Theophany
9:10 am - Reading of the Hours (Live Stream will also be available)
9:30 am - Divine Liturgy (Live Stream will also be available)
10:45 am - Communion for Parish Children

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Theophany Eve
9:00 AM - Reading of the Royal Hours (Live Stream will also be available)
6:00 PM - Great Compline with Great Blessing of Water

Wednesday, January 6, 2021

Holy Theophany
8:50 am - Reading of the Hours (Live Stream will also be available)
9:00 am - Divine Liturgy (Live Stream will also be available)
10:15 am - Communion for Parish Children
7:00 pm - Readers Vespers (Live Stream only)

Divine Liturgy

Sunday, December 20, 2020

Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ Sunday before the Nativity

Tone 3 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world great mercy.

Tone 4 Troparion *(Forefeast)*

Prepare, O Bethlehem, for Eden has been opened to all! Adorn thyself, O Ephratha, for the Tree of Life blossoms forth from the Virgin in the cave! Her womb is a spiritual paradise planted with the Divine Fruit; if we eat of it, we shall live forever and not die like Adam. Christ comes to restore the image which He made in the beginning.

Tone 2 Troparion *(Holy Fathers)*

Great are the accomplishments of faith, for the three Holy Youths rejoice in the fountain of flames as though in the waters of rest; and the Prophet Daniel appeared a shepherd to the lions as though they were sheep. So by their prayers, O Christ God, save our souls!

Tone 1 Kontakion *(Fathers)*

Rejoice, O Bethlehem! Prepare thyself, O Ephratha! The Lamb is on her way to give birth to the Chief Shepherd she carries in her womb. The God-bearing Forefathers will rejoice, beholding Him, and with the shepherds, they will glorify the Virgin nursing Him.

Tone 3 Kontakion (*Forefeast*)

Today the Virgin comes to the cave to give birth to the Eternal Word. Hear the glad tidings and rejoice, O universe! Glorify with the angels and the shepherds the Eternal God, Who is willing to appear as a little child!

Tone 4 Prokeimenon (*Holy Fathers*)

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, / and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever! (*Song of the Three Holy Children, v. 3*)

For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us! (v. 4)

Epistle

(Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40 (*Sunday Before*)) By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God. By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, of whom it was said, "In Isaac your seed shall be called," concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense. By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come. By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff. By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones. By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw he was a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king's command. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of

weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

Tone 4

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

We have heard with our ears, O God, for our fathers have told us. (Ps. 43:1a)

For Thou hast saved us from them that oppose us, and hast put to shame them that hate us. (Ps. 43:8)

Gospel

(Matthew 1:1-25 (*Sunday Before*)) The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and Abijah begot Asa. Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and Joram begot Uzziah. Uzziah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, and Ahaz begot Hezekiah. Hezekiah

begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot Amon, and Amon begot Josiah. Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon. And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, and Eliakim begot Azor. Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, and Achim begot Eliud. Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, and Matthan begot Jacob. And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ. So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon are fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations. Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins." So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, which is translated, 'God with us.'" Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, and did not know her till she had brought forth her firstborn Son. And he called His name JESUS.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (*Ps. 148:1*)
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! (*Ps. 32:1*)
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Sixth Sunday of Advent

The red candle reminds us of Holy Communion

Priest:

Christ, Who was born in Bethlehem, and Who will come again at the end of time, comes to us now in the great Sacrament of Holy Communion. He was born in Bethlehem so that He might come and be born in our hearts.

Scripture: John 6:50 - 58

The Lord said, "This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."

Priest:

Guide and direct us, O Lord, always and everywhere with Your holy light, that we may discern with clear vision Your presence among us, and partake with worthy intention of Your Divine Mysteries. Be present, O Jesus, our Great High Priest, as You were present with Your Disciples, and be known to us in the breaking of bread, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

Choir: Amen.

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

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O come, O come Em - man - u - el, And
 O come, Thou Rod of Jes - se, free, Thine
 O come, Thou Day-Spring, come _____ and cheer, Our

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10 D Bm Am D G

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13 D Em Bm G Am D Em D

joice, re - joice! Em - man - u - el, shall

17 G C Am Bm Em

come to Thee, O Is - - ra - el!

Candle Offerings for Sunday, December 20, 2020

Votives in Altar

Safe Travels Daniel & Emily, Offered by Guliana Holobeny

Crosses

In Memory Of Hutz/Bretz Families, Offered by Barry & Ann Marie

Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary

In Memory Of Rosalia, John, Joseph, George Felix, Offered by Patty Felix

Flowers to Adorn the Icon of The Nativity of Our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ

For Health Of Family, Offered by The Mason Family

Christmas Poinsettia Donations

Red Poinsettias

Offered by The Distefano Family

Offered by Ann Marie Bretz

Offered by Michele Guydan

Offered by Subdeacon Michael Guydan

Offered by The Brusko Family

Offered by The Dorosh Family

Offered by The Kavchok Family

White Poinsettias

Offered by The Brusko Family

Offered by The Dorosh Family

Entering the Church for Services

As we enter the winter season, starting Sunday, December 6th, all attendees must use the doorway located at the center of the church hallway. Using this entrance will eliminate the need to climb stairs to enter the church. A Parish Staff member will be available to conduct the health check and survey at this entrance. Please continue to wear a mask and to follow appropriate social distancing.

Children, not attending the Divine Liturgy, can still receive Holy Communion after parishioners have completed receiving the sacrament. The children and their guardian should enter through the doorway at the center of the church and follow the guidance of the Parish Council member staffing the Narthex. Before entering the church hallway, the guardians must be wearing a mask.

House Blessing Schedule

If you are interested in having Fr. Matthew bless your home this year, please sign up on the sheet at the candle desk. Thank you!

Parishioners of all ages should take preventive health measures during the house blessing. These include social distancing, wearing a mask and frequent hand washing. If someone has symptoms or becomes ill, please contact Fr. Matthew to reschedule the house blessing.

2021 Calendars Available

The St. Tikhon's Monastery 2021 Lectionary Wall Calendar is now available at the candle desk. Please see a staff member to receive a copy.

Request for Annual Church Organization Reports

Please note that all Church Organization Reports must be submitted to the Administrative Assistant by January 15, 2021 in order to prepare the packets for the Annual Parish Assembly. Kindly submit all reports formatted as Microsoft Word documents or in text in the body of an email to the Administrative Assistant. Packets will be distributed to parishioners prior to the meeting scheduled for February 21, 2021.

Prayer Offering Candles

Candles will be available for purchase in the Narthex before the Divine Liturgy service. A Parish Council Staff member will be available at the candle stand to assist you. To ensure the safety of all parishioners please use the following guidance:

- Bring the exact dollar total and place in the provided candle basket. No change will be available.
- Allow the Parish Council member to hand you the candles.
- To ensure appropriate social distancing, check to make sure no other parishioner is near the candle stand before proceeding to light your candle.

A Note of Thanks

"We are thankful for all the prayers and good thoughts for my parents, Nicolae and Doina Marian, during their recent hospitalization in Romania. By God's grace, their health improved enough to be released from the hospital and are now continuing to recover at home.

With gratitude, Aliana and Radu"

St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church

Revitalization Ministry - December 2020 Report

The Communication, Christian Education and Active Service groups were impacted by the 2020 COVID-19 virus as were many ministries and activities at St. Nicholas parish. The revitalization groups worked primarily during January, February, and March and many of the initiatives were not completed the way they were intended. The report reflects the work that was able to be done this year.

Communication Group - Goals & Objectives 2020

Goal 1: The Communication Group will complete the St. Nicholas Welcome Packet in 2020. (Incomplete)

- Objective 1.1 A rough draft of the entire Welcome Packet will be completed by June 2020. (Incomplete)
- Objective 1. 2 Welcome Packets will be printed and available by November 2020. (Incomplete)

Other Projects

- At the end of 2019, a new St. Nicholas logo was created for parish internal and external communications. The logo was implemented throughout 2020 and can be found on church stationary, the website, general communications, and advertisement of events.
- To increase communication during COVID-19, the Communication Group initiated a monthly email that began in May 2020. The information is emailed to parishioners at the beginning of each month. The emails provide light content, general information, and reminders.

Christian Education Group - Goals & Objectives 2020

Goal 1: Provide opportunities to continue life-long learning and Christian spiritual growth through parish educational activities for 2020 (Incomplete)

- Objective 1.1 St. Nicholas parish will connect with a minimum of 1 local charity for community outreach by June 2020. (Completed: Bright Hope

Pregnancy Support Centers was invited to speak during coffee hour on January 19th (Sanctity of Life Sunday) about their local community services. Communications were sent to parishioners to provide awareness about how St. Nicholas parish can connect with local charities.)

- Objective 1.2 Incorporate a minimum of 3 opportunities for parishioners to enhance their understanding and experience of Orthodox Christian values by November 2020. (Incomplete)

Other Projects

- During COVID-19, Fr. Matthew offered live stream educational presentations titled, Ask The Priest, on April 26th, June 7th, May 19th, and July 26th. Three sessions were available for adult and teen parishioners and 1 for young Church School children. Parishioners submitted questions a few days prior to the presentations and Fr. Matthew provide answers during the sessions.
- From May - July 2020, Fr. Matthew hosted virtual Zoom Coffee Hour sessions after Sunday Liturgy. During this time, many parishioners stayed home and had limited access to other people. Zoom sessions lasted from 1 - 1 ½ hours and provided an opportunity for parishioners to interact with each other face to face. When in-person Sunday Liturgy's resumed, coffee hour was held outdoors on the property grounds, weather permitting.
- At the end of 2019, new library shelves and books were purchased for adults and children and placed in the multipurpose room in January 2020. After March 2020, the library books were not available for check out due to COVID-19.

Active Service Group - Goals & Objectives 2020

Goal 1: Provide a minimum of 3 local community OUT-Reach opportunities to St. Nicholas parish by December 2020. (Completed. St. Nicholas parishioners were made aware of how our parish can connect with local charities. Three Bright Hope Pregnancy Centers functions involved: Lehigh Valley Walk for Life, the Annual Gala, & the Divine Resale Boutique shop. Feed the Children International Charity program was also chosen as an OUT-Reach opportunity.

- Objective 1.1 St. Nicholas parish will contribute to a minimum of 1 local charity through community service, fundraising or providing material needs by May 2020. (Incomplete)

- Objective 1.2 St. Nicholas parish will contribute to a minimum of 1 local charity through community service, fundraising or providing material needs by August 2020. (Incomplete)
- Objective 1.3 St. Nicholas parish will contribute to a minimum of 1 local charity through community service, fundraising or providing material needs by November 2020. (Incomplete)

Note

- Lehigh Valley Walk for Life, a Bright Hope charity, modified their walking fundraiser this year and encouraged people to participate in their back yard or neighborhoods. Sign-ups to participate were sent to the parish in April 2020.
- The Bright Hope Annual Gala went virtual in September and donations could be made on-line.
- The Bright Hope Divine Resale Boutique shop in Allentown, PA opened for operation during COVID-19.
- Sign-ups to volunteer for the Feed the Children program (Bethlehem) were provided to the parish in March 2020. The event was cancelled in April.
- Partnering with Backpack Pals (Bethlehem School District food program) was initiated in March but has not been finalized.
- Orthodoxy on Tap was scheduled for April 28th with Pastor Mike Landsman from Zion Stone UCC and was cancelled.

Parish Self-Care Ministry

The Parish Self-Care Team remained active during COVID-19 with approximately 20 volunteers who served parishioners by, 1) Sending cards, 2) Offering Prayers, 3) Offering Visitation, and 4) Providing meals. This is an established ministry and new volunteers can join throughout the year. Parishioners may request parish self-care assistance any time.

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“Revitalization” offers parish ministries an opportunity to continually assess where they are and keep moving in a spiritually healthy direction. New volunteers are welcome to join throughout the year. Contact Fr. Matthew Joyner or any member for information.

Denise Distefano, Karen Gowarty, Carmen Hodson,
 Guliana Holobeny, Sarah Jubinski, Jeff Markham,
 Mike Metz, Barb Monarek, Sue Neilson, & Nick Stepanoff.

Grocery Card Collection

To benefit Northampton County needy Adults, Children, Youth and Families

Make a donation to Stephanie Pasquel or purchase a Grocery Card to donate. The Grocery Gift card will then be distributed to the citizens of Northampton County in greatest need. These cards are given to Children, Youth and Families, Aging Citizens and those in Mental Health Crisis in Northampton County. A gift of a grocery store card allows the recipient to purchase food items until other services become available. The County prefers cards of \$10, \$20 or \$25 dollars. Your contribution of any amount is greatly appreciated. Over the years our Parish has been very generous in this endeavor and has helped many in their time of need. **Please make donations by 12/21/20.**

Giving Tree

The Annual Giving Tree Project is underway! The gift tags are on the Christmas Tree in the narthex. Your donation will benefit many children, young adults, mental/physical health consumers and aging citizens receiving support from the Northampton County Department of Human Services.

- Choose a tag from the tree and tear off the perforated tab with gift the items.
- Please do not wrap the gifts, but you may place them in a gift bag or bag. Place your items in the large box next to the Christmas tree in the narthex and secure the tag to the gift or bag.
- Please do not include religious information with the gifts.
- This year, if you would like to make a general item donation, many children, young adults, mental health consumers and aging citizens in Northampton County need the following items: Face masks in a new/sealed package (cloth or disposable), hand soap, hand sanitizer, laundry detergent (liquid) or shampoo.
- Gifts must be received by **Sunday December 20th.**

Poinsettias for Christmas

If you wish to sponsor the Poinsettias that will decorate the church during the Nativity season, please sign up in the book at the candle desk. Red and White Poinsettias are available for a \$12.00 donation and may be taken home at the end of the Nativity Season.

Throughout the year, please remember those in our parish family who are homebound.

Mrs. Ruth Anderson - 615 Chestnut Avenue, Apt. 306, Towson, MD 211204

Kathleen Berge - 2 Gracedale Ave, Tower #6, Nazareth, PA 18064

Mrs. Vincentine Grace Brusko - Whitehall Manor (Room B26), 1177 6th St., Whitehall, PA 18052

Very Rev. & Mat. Thomas Edwards - 4052 Lehigh Drive, Northampton, PA 18067

Mr. Walter Grigoruk - Sacred Heart Senior Living by Saucon Creek, 4851 Saucon Creek Rd, Center Valley, PA 18034, Attn: Walter Grigoruk, Room 330.

Mr. Andrew Haseneck - 315 Balleck Road, Riegelsville, PA 18077-9606

Mrs. Helen Karel - c/o Thomas Karel, 1838 Larchmont Ln, Lancaster, PA 17601

Mrs. Pauline Kasick - Devon House, 1930 Bevin Drive, Allentown, PA 18103

Miss Mary K. Koretski - c/o Stephanie Koretski, 2132 Pennsylvania Ave, Apt J-2, Bethlehem, PA 18018

Mrs. Antoinette Lebeduik - 3514 Nicholas Street, Easton, PA 18045-5252

Mrs. Michele Lovell - PO Box 20031, Lehigh Valley, PA 18002-0031

Ms. Nancy Sabol - 801 N. Wahneta St, Apt 45, Allentown, PA 18109

Mrs. Nadya Seifert - 417 Lake Drive, Nesquehoning, PA 18240-2418

Mrs. Pauline Senick - 1553 Lindberg Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020-6440

Mrs. Julia Smolenski - Sterling Heights, 3500 Fairview St, Bethlehem, PA 18017

Announcements are back!!!

If you have something that you would like to have included in the bulletin for next Sunday, please provide the information to Jennifer Bzik by noon on Thursday. Thank you all for your patience and understanding as we figure out new ways to do things during this challenging time.



Looking for a gift for someone?

We've got a perfect way to say "Thanks!"
or "I'm Thinking of You".

Grocery Gift Cards are the ideal gift that everyone can use. When you purchase a gift card from our parish, you are helping our parish earn 5% income every time on each card. Last year alone, your card purchases helped raise \$2,000 for our church.

Participating stores are: Giant, Valley Farm, and Weis Markets. Card denominations are \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50, and \$100. Special value cards for \$200 and \$300 may be ordered upon request with advance notice. Cards do not expire, so please consider purchasing a Grocery Gift Card the next time you need to buy a gift for someone. Better yet, why not get yourself a grocery gift card to use for your weekly shopping purchases and help earn some money for our parish!

See Stephanie Pasquel for Grocery Gift Cards. (Cash or checks please.)

Grocery Gift Cards are still available during social distancing. Please contact Stephanie Pasquel for details.

Heavenly Father...

Physician of our souls and bodies, Who has sent Your only-begotten Son to heal every sickness and infirmity, visit and heal us, Your Servants, from all physical and spiritual ailments, through the grace of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant to us patience in this sickness, strength of body, and recovery of health. Lord, You have taught us through Your Word to pray for each other that we may be healed. For You are the source of healing, and to You we give glory; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers at the Divine Liturgy for the Health of the Servants of God:

Metropolitan Herman

Igumen David Lewis

Archpriests: Thomas Edwards, John Perich, Rodion Pfeifer, James Mason, Claude Vinyard, Dimitri Oselinsky, David Shewczyk, Dennis Swenki, James Weremedic

Priests: Matthew Joyner, Ian Shipley, John Nightingale

Deacons: Geoffrey LoBalbo

Matushki: Ashley Joyner, Marie Mason, Johanna Bohush, Evelyn Edwards, Paraskeva Vansuch, Myra Kovalak, Gloria Martin, Maryann Oselinsky, Priscilla Shipley, Katia Vansuch, Lisa Weremedic

Servants: Bethany Bruder, Mary Brzuchalski, Helen Cotirgasanu, Roberta Cusick, Val Danchenko, Christopher Felix, Olga Frimenko, Patricia G. Fu, David Gowarty, Patricia Grammes, Walter Grigoruk, Rachel Hardesty, Nicholas Hazzard, Jonathan Hontz, Sherry Hromiak, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Pauline Kasick, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Olga Maksimova, Peter Marsh, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Nicolae & Doina Marian, Mary Orzolek, Kylie Pinho, Ryan Pinkowicz, Kiera Pheiffer, Alex Roberts, Gordon Roberts, Clara Roman, Victoria Ross, Mary Ruzila, Nancy A. Sabol, Robert Schainfeld, Cate Shea, Julia Smith, Julia G. Smolenski, Mary Strohecker, Ola Tatusko, Irene Witanek

Child of God: Emily Estrin

Please remember them and all our homebound and nursing home parishioners in your daily intercessory prayers.