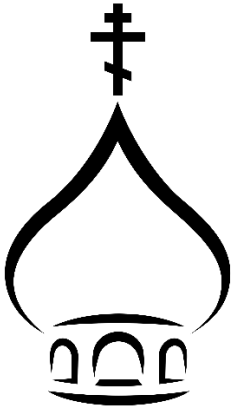


Divine Liturgy

December 25, 2022

**The Nativity according to the Flesh of
Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ**



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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)

***Please turn off or silence your electronic devices
before entering the church. Thank you.***

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Schedule for the Week of December 25, 2022

28th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 3. The Nativity According to the Flesh of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ . The Adoration of the Magi: Melchior, Caspar, and Balthasar. Commemoration of the Shepherds in Bethlehem who were watching their flocks, and went to see the Lord.
Priestmonk Jonah the Martyr of Pechenga (1590).

Fr. Nikolai's Office Hours

Fr. Nikolai will be on Vacation from
Wednesday, December 28th - January 4th.
Regular Office Hours will resume after the House Blessing Season.

Coffee Hour Today

Coffee Hour today is hosted by
Mat. Mila Breckenridge, Guliana Holobeney, Victoria Lustig & Natalia Luther

Christmas Day Luncheon Today

Please join us for light lunch on Christmas Day after the Divine Liturgy. We invite you to break the fast with Borsht (meat version), deviled eggs stuffed with caviar, salad with shrimp, chopped salad, roasted potatoes with grilled sausage and dessert.

Weekly & Upcoming Calendar

****Live Stream will also be available for all services.****

Monday, December 26

Synaxis of the Mother of God

8:50 am – Reading of the Hours

9:00 am – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 31

4:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, January 1

St. Basil the Great/Circumcision of the Lord

9:10 am – Reading of the Hours

9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

Thursday, January 5

Eve of Theophany

9:00 am – Royal Hours

6:00 pm – Theophany Compline with Blessing
of Waters

Friday, January 6

Theophany

8:50 am – Reading of the Hours

9:00 am – Festal Divine Liturgy

Saturday, January 7

4:30 pm – General Panikhida

5:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, January 8

Sunday after Theophany

9:10 am – Reading of the Hours

9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, January 14

5:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, January 15

31st Sunday after Pentecost

9:10 am – Reading of the Hours

9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, January 21

5:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, January 22

32nd Sunday after Pentecost

9:10 am – Reading of the Hours

9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, January 28

5:00 pm – Great Vespers

Sunday, January 29

Sunday of Zacchaeus

9:10 am – Reading of the Hours

9:30 am – Divine Liturgy

Divine Liturgy

December 25, 2022

The Nativity according to the Flesh of Our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ

The First Antiphon

I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will make all Thy wonders known. *(Ps. 110:1a)*

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

In the company of the upright, in the congregation, great are the works of the Lord. *(Ps. 110:1b-2a) (Refrain)*

They are sought out according to His will. *(Ps. 110:2b) (Refrain)*

Full of honor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever. *(Ps. 110:3) (Refrain)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever,
and unto ages of ages. Amen. *(Refrain)*

The Second Antiphon

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments. *(Ps. 111:1)*

Refrain: O Son of God, born of the Virgin, save us who sing to Thee:
Alleluia!

His descendants will be mighty in the land, the generation of the upright will be blessed. *(Ps. 111:2) (Refrain)*

Glory and wealth are in His house and His righteousness endures forever. *(Ps. 111:3) (Refrain)*

Light rises in the darkness for the upright; the Lord is merciful, compassionate, and righteous. *(Ps. 111:4) (Refrain)*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

("Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God... ")

The Third Antiphon

The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at My right hand." (*Ps. 109:1a*)

Tone 4 Troparion

Thy Nativity, O Christ our God, has shone to the world the light of wisdom! For by it, those who worshipped the stars, were taught by a star to adore Thee, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know Thee, the Orient from on high. O Lord, glory to Thee!

"Until I make Thine enemies Thy footstool!" (*Ps. 109:1b*)

Troparion of the Feast

The Lord will send Thee the scepter of power from Zion: "Rule in the midst of Thine enemies!" (*Ps. 109:2*)

Troparion of the Feast

With Thee is dominion on the day of Thy power, in the radiance of holiness. (*Ps. 109:3*)

Troparion of the Feast

Entrance Verse

Out of the womb before the morning star have I begotten Thee. The Lord has sworn, and will not change His mind: "Thou art a priest forever, after the order of Melchizedek." (*Ps. 109:4*)

Tone 4 Troparion

Thy Nativity, O Christ our God, has shone to the world the light of wisdom! For by it, those who worshipped the stars, were taught by a star to adore Thee, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know Thee, the Orient from on high. O Lord, glory to Thee!

Tone 3 Kontakion

Today the Virgin gives birth to the Transcendent One, and the earth offers a cave to the Unapproachable One. Angels with shepherds glorify Him; The wise men journey with the star, since for our sake the eternal God was born as a little Child.

(Instead of the Trisagion)

As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia!

Tone 8 Prokeimenon

Let all the earth worship Thee and praise Thee; let it praise Thy Name, O Most High! *(Ps. 65:3)*

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His Name, give glory to His praise! (Ps. 65:1)

Epistle

Read by Reader Matthew Lezinsky

(Galatians 4:4-7) But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Ps. 18:1)

Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge. (Ps. 18:2)

Gospel

(Matthew 2:1-12) Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying,

"Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. So they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet: 'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel.'" Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found Him, bring back word to me, that I may come and worship Him also." When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.

(Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing:)

Magnify, O my soul, the most pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable and more glorious than the heavenly hosts.

I behold a strange, most glorious mystery: heaven—the cave; the cherubic throne—the Virgin; the manger—the place where Christ lay: the uncontainable God, Whom we magnify in song.

(or, the ninth heirmos of the second canon)

Out of fear, we should choose to love silence, for that is a safer course; so difficult it is lovingly to compose intricately woven songs to thee, O Virgin. But grant us strength, O Mother, equal to our natural calling.

Communion Hymn

The Lord has sent redemption to His people. (*Ps. 110:8a*)
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Candle Offerings for Sunday, December 25, 2022

Vigils in Altar - Windowsill (2)

In Memory Of James & Marianne Blachinski, Offered by Bill & Sandi Keysock

Vigils in Altar - Table of Oblation (2)

In Honor Of Ethan Radio's 19th Birthday, Offered by Greg & Rosalie

Vigils in Altar - Side Table (2)

In Honor Of Ethan Radio's 19th Birthday,
Offered by Dad & Jen, Owen, Kody, Austin & Devin

Votives in Altar

In Memory Of Nick Papaharalambos, Offered by Mat. Fran Vansuch

Votives in Iconostas

For Health Of Radio & Tomsic Families, Offered by Greg & Rosalie

Vigil in Side Candle Holders (2)

Happy Birthday Moses Hodson, Offered by Carmen, Alex & Christopher

Crosses

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

Vigils on the Tetrapod (2)

In Memory Of Alexander & Pauline Radchuk, Offered by Bill & Sandi Keysock

Vigils on Icon Table (2)

Happy Birthday Moses Hodson, Offered by Carmen, Alex & Christopher

Vigils - Icon of the Virgin Mary (2)

In Memory Of Rosemary Barhight, Offered by Fran & Mike Slivka

Votives - Icon of the Virgin Mary

In Memory Of Mary Stetz, Offered by Pat & Joan

Vigils - Icon of St. John the Baptist (2)

In Memory of William & Mary Keysock, Offered by Bill & Sandi Keysock

Votives - Icon of St. John the Baptist

In Memory Of Michael & Mary Stetz, Offered by Pat & Joan

Vigils on South Wall Window Sill (3)

In Memory Of Paul Havrilko, Offered by Nick & Judy

Vigils of St. Gregory (1)

In Memory Of Paul Havrilko, Offered by Dorothy Havrilko

Vigils of St. Paul (1)

In Honor Of Ethan's 19th Birthday, Offered by Owen, Talia & Jones

Vigils on North Wall Window Sill (3)

In Memory of Mary and son, Jay Radio, Offered by Greg & Rosalie

Vigil of St. Michael (1)

In Memory Of Michael Stetz, Offered by Pat & Joan

Vigil of St. Andrew (1)

In Honor Of Ethan's 19th Birthday, Offered by Aunt Keri & Uncle Jason

**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

In Memory Of The Felix Family, Offered by Patty Felix

In Memory Of Ray, Stephen & Johanna, Offered by the Pasquel Family

For Health Of Nick, Austin & Timmy, Offered by Stephanie Pasquel

For Health of Members of the Metz Family, Offered by Peter & Patricia Metz

For Health Of Wash Telepchak

For Health Of Kavchok & Mascari Families

For Health Of The Brusko Family

In Memory Of Yarostous T.

In Memory Of Richard S.

For Health of Cudlic/Fedora Families

In Memory Of Natalie & Stefan Dancheke, Offered by Halina Danchenko

In Memory Of Natalie & Stefan Danchenko, Offered by Halina Danchenko

White Poinsettias

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

For Health Of Wash Telepchak

For Health Of Kavchok & Mascari Families

In Memory Of Brusko Family

In Memory Of Deak & Jubinski Families

In Memory Of Peter & Mary Baker, Offered by Mat. Pat

In Memory Of John & Anna Mason, Offered by Fr. Jim

For Health Of Hasenecz & Nielsen Families, Offered by Bill & Susan Nielsen



NATIVITY MESSAGE OF HIS BEATITUDE METROPOLITAN TIKHON 2022



Protocol 12/001

To the Clergy, Monastics, and Faithful of the Orthodox Church
in America,

My Beloved Children in the Lord,

Christ is born! Glorify him!

‘But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, “Rise, take the Child and his Mother, and go to the land of Israel...”’ (Mt. 2:19-20)

The protagonist, so to speak, for the first two chapters of St. Matthew’s Gospel is the humble and silent man whom we call the Righteous Joseph the Betrothed.

Joseph is called ‘just,’ that is, he walked according to the commandments of God (Mt. 1:19). And, according to the scriptures, in keeping the commandments, a man may learn true knowledge. As the Psalmist says, ‘Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments’ (Ps. 118:66).

We find that this is exceptionally true in the case of St. Joseph. So just, so righteous, was he, that he was worthy to be taught and led by an angel. In an event that is sometimes called the annunciation to St. Joseph, an angel comes to the righteous man in his moment of doubt concerning the pregnancy of his betrothed, telling him not fear.

And this exhortation not to be afraid is no mere formality, for the next words of the angel disclose a dread and fearful task. The angel asks Joseph to serve the most holy Theotokos and Ever-virgin Mary in place of an earthly husband (‘take Mary your wife’), and to minister to the Lord Jesus Christ in the place of an earthly father (‘you shall call his name Jesus’).

This alone—the command to serve as a foster father to the God of all and as a guardian for the Mother of the Light—would be fearful enough. But soon St. Joseph and the holy Mother and Child for whom he is obliged to care are beset by extraordinary circumstances: a murder plot, an escape to a distant land, and a sojourn in that foreign country. We can only assume that, in Egypt, among strangers, away from home and property, the responsibility to provide for his supposed wife and son weighed very heavily upon this righteous man.

But again, the words of an angel, and this time these are words of relief and joy: ‘Go the land of Israel.’ Return home to your kin; return home to your property; return home to your people and your customs and your land.

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The first time an angel visited the righteous Joseph, he brought a dread order from the Almighty, an order that would have to be carried out under the most trying of circumstances. The second time an angel came, he brought a welcome reprieve.

But in both cases, the just man Joseph was equally obedient to the divine will. When he was commanded to care for Mother and Child, he took up the task without hesitation, no matter what difficulties ensued. And when he was told to return to Israel, he went just as readily.

The same paradoxical way that St. Joseph protected and cared for the omnipotent Master who holds all creation in the palm of his hand, God has given to us, Orthodox Christians, a special charge of sacred stewardship. God needs nothing from us, and yet he delights in allowing us to cooperate with him in the work of preaching the Gospel and sanctifying the world.

We might say that, just like the Righteous Joseph the Betrothed, we are, by divine grace, charged with caring for the newborn Christ. For what is the Church but Christ's Body, growing in this world in wisdom and stature until it reaches the measure of the stature of the fullness in the age to come (Lk. 2:52, Eph. 4:13)? And we all share a responsibility, according to our station in life, to care for the Church through prayer, financial support, sacramental participation, and sharing and teaching the faith.

And then, on another level, we are each charged to care for Christ in our life, in our own heart. St. Paul wrote to the Galatians that he was in travail until Christ be formed in them (Gal. 4:19). Each of us is called to reveal Christ in our life, to become a saint, to become Christ by grace. Through baptism and the Eucharist we have all received Jesus Christ within ourselves, as it were as a newborn Child. By prayer, careful practice of the virtues, attentiveness to our thoughts, and the cultivation of authentic love for God and man, we allow Christ to grow in us, until, we pray, it is no longer we who live, but Christ who lives in us (Gal. 2:20).

Today, celebrating the Nativity of the Savior in the flesh, may we all take St. Joseph as our example as we seek to foster Christ in the Church and in our own hearts. Let us practice the commandments, discern the will of God, and do his will, even when the circumstances are difficult.

Truly, this world is an Egypt, and caring for Christ and his Church as St. Joseph did always involves obstacles and challenges. But if we sojourn with the Christ-child in Egypt, faithfully attending to him in our lives and our communities, we can be assured that we, like St. Joseph, will one day hear those welcome words: 'Go to the land of Israel'—that is, come, ye righteous, and enter the heavenly mansions the Father has prepared for you from before all ages (Mt. 25:34).

By caring for our infant Savior and Lord in this way, we show our willingness to cooperate with the grace of God, God who so desired to have us as his fellow-workers, his brethren, and his friends that he deigned to be born in a cave and laid in a manger, on a cold night 'while gentle silence enveloped all things, and night in its swift course was now half gone' (Wis. 18:14). To him, our newborn God and Lord, be all glory, honor, and adoration, together with his eternal Father and his most holy, good, and life-giving Spirit.

With the blessing of the newborn Messiah, who is Lord and God before the ages, I remain sincerely yours in Christ,



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Archbishop of Washington,
Metropolitan of All America and Canada





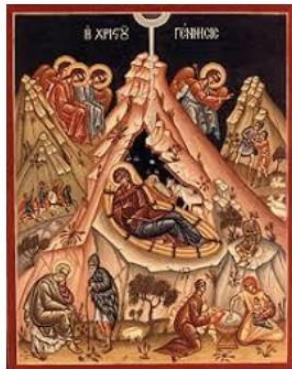
The Orthodox Church in America
DIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA AND EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA
The Most Rev. Mark, Archbishop of Philadelphia

December 19, 2022

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

Beloved Clergy, Matushki, and Faithful,

Come, let us rejoice in the Lord, proclaiming the present mystery; for He hath broken the middle wall of partition, and the flaming spear shall turn about, and the cherubim shall admit all to the tree of life. As for me, I shall return to enjoy the bliss of paradise from which I was driven away before, by reason of iniquity; for the likeness of the Father, and the Person of His eternity, which it is impossible to change hath taken the likeness of a Servant, coming from a Mother who has not known wedlock; free from transubstantiation, since He remained as He was, true God, and took what had not been, having become Man for His love of mankind. Wherefore, let us lift our voices unto Him crying, O Thou Who wast born of the Virgin, O God, have mercy upon us.



Have a blessed Feast of the Nativity and a Joyous New Year! May our Lord bless you with good health, length of days and a happy and peaceful new year! Thank you for your hospitality over the last year as well as your generosity.

Yours in Christ,

+ Mark

+ MARK, Archbishop of Philadelphia and the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania



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"Thou hast made us for Thyself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it finds its rest in Thee." Augustine

Christ is born! Glorify Him!



Join us for an evening of song and celebration
as we celebrate the Nativity of our Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ with a "Virtual" Christmas Concert

Sunday December 25th — 7:00pm EST

Featuring

Nativity Greetings, Hymns & Carols sung by choirs from
across the United States

And

A special Nativity greeting from
His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon

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Rectory Phone Number Change

Please be advised that the Rectory phone number has recently been changed to 610-849-2048. Please make a note of the new number. Fr. Nikolai's cell phone number and email address remain the same.

Theophany Eve Holy Supper

A Strict Lenten Holy Supper will be served at 4:30 pm on Theophany Eve, Thursday, January 5, 2023. Please sign up at the candle desk if you are interested in attending. Thank you to Kyra Monarek for hosting!

A Note Of Thanks

Dear St. Nicholas Parishioners:

As you know the Giving Tree Project has a huge impact on the children/families, adults and aging adults in Northampton County. Once again, your parish family has exceeded my expectations. I appreciate the care and commitment you take to make these purchases on behalf of the recipients. For many of the people I work with, the Holiday Season is not easy. Please know that you made a difference by individually selecting a gift that feels exclusively selected for them. Thank you.

Also, I cannot express enough how much the grocery cards are appreciated as they are distributed to an individual or family when faced with a food emergency. While we use these cards in the holiday season, we often are able to use them into the next year. Allowing an individual or family to make their own food selection with these grocery cards allows for dignity in a tough situation. Thank you.

Your kindness and charitable giving is overwhelming! May all of you have a safe, happy and healthy 2023!

Sincerely,
Darlene Sabol-Perschy
Northampton County CYF
Adolescent Caseworker
610-829-4567

A Note of Thanks

A big thank you to all parishioners that donated items for the during the "One Can Can Help" food drive to benefit the Allentown Rescue Mission. They were so grateful and said that God should bless us all for being so generous.

Sandi Keysock, President RO59/NSS

Parish Budget Presentation

In order to facilitate a smooth Annual Parish Meeting, we will be having an open presentation of the proposed budget that the Parish Council is recommending for 2023. This will be held in the Chernay Fellowship Hall on Sunday, January 15th, after Divine Liturgy and Coffee Hour. We will be talking about the major budget items, so that any questions can be asked well in advance of the February Annual Meeting.

Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

There are several open coffee hour days in the upcoming months. Please consider signing up if you haven't hosted in the past! There are copies of the guidelines for hosting coffee hour available in the signup book at the candle desk if you are not familiar with what to do. Contact Lori Lezinsky if you need help or have questions. Thank you!

The Property Care Ministry Needs Your Help!

The St. Nicholas parish Property Care Ministry is looking for volunteers to help with small maintenance and repair tasks around the church property. Many of these tasks are simple and do not require specialized skills (ie: changing light bulbs). If you would like to volunteer any amount of your time, please contact Radu Lungu or Jennifer Bzik. Please note that you do not need to commit to every work session or commit to a certain amount of time. All help is deeply appreciated. Thank you!

Pierogi Updates

We are currently on our Holiday Break. We will resume regular weekly pickup orders on January 25th. We also have frozen 4 packs of Halupki for sale for \$15. Please note that this schedule is subject to change.

House Blessing Schedule

Dear faithful,

Glory to Jesus Christ!

This year, I am attempting as much as possible to schedule 2023 House Blessings electronically. Therefore I've created an online sign-up form. We will also have the normal paper sign up at the candle desk, for those who don't wish to fill in the form themselves. Blessings will begin on Monday, January 9th, and are arranged according to location, so be sure to check both the time and the location on the schedule when you sign up.

The sign-up form can be found at www.stnicholasoca.org/theophany2023

In Christ,
Priest Nikolai Breckenridge

ATTENTION!!

We have frozen 4-packs of halupki for sale! They are \$15. Please see Val Roberts or Maxine Marsh.

Request for Annual Church Organization Reports

Please note that all Church Organization Reports must be submitted to the Administrative Assistant by January 15, 2022 in order to prepare the packets for the Annual Parish Assembly. Packets will be distributed to parishioners from the candle desk beginning on January 29, 2022 for their review prior to the meeting on February 19, 2022.



The Orthodox Church in America
DIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA AND EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA
The Most Rev. Mark, Archbishop of Philadelphia

November 9, 2022

Dear Rev. Fathers, Esteemed Members of the Parish Councils, and Faithful,

Christ is in our midst! I pray you are well and being continuously renewed in Christ! I am writing to ask that our faithful and parishioners continue to remember our seminarians in their prayers and also consider assisting them financially during their time at seminary. The seminarians are kept incredibly busy and outside employment is simply not an option. All but one family has small children, which makes it difficult for the wives to work. A monthly check could be sent directly to them or to the Diocesan Chancery with a notation. Here are the names of the seminarians and their families:

Dn. John & Mat. Alexandra Black
Children: Lydia, Joshua, Noah
St Vladimir's Seminary
575 Scarsdale Rd
Yonkers, NY 10707-1699

Dn. Nathan & Mat. Katherine Clausson
Children: Basil and Lawrence
5130 Has Pond Rd.
Madison Township, PA 18444-6809

Seminarian Jacob & Olivia Zawatski
45 Beech Grove Road
Honesdale, PA 18431

Reader William and Sara Rusk
Children: Cora and Ruth
205 Hemlock Grove Rd.
Greentown, PA 18426

As the Nativity Fast is rapidly approaching, we also want to remember the children as they prepare to celebrate the nativity of our Lord in the Flesh. Asking your God-pleasing prayers, I remain your unworthy father in Christ,

+ Mark

+MARK, Archbishop of Philadelphia and Eastern Pennsylvania

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 for the Health of the Servants of God:

Archbishop Mechisedek Pleska

Igumen: Patric Carpenter, David Lewis

Archpriests: Thomas Edwards, John Perich, James Mason, Claude Vinyard, Dimitri Oselinsky, David Shewczyk, Ian Shipley, Dennis Swenki, James Weremedic, John Onofrey

Priests: Nikolai Breckenridge, John Nightingale

Deacons: Geoffrey LoBalbo

Subdeacons: Michael (Frank) Guydan

Matushki: Liudmyla Breckenridge, Marie Mason, Johanna Bohush, Evelyn Edwards, Paraskeva Vansuch, Myra Kovalak, Gloria Martin, Maryann Oselinsky, Priscilla Shipley, Katia Vansuch, Lisa Weremedic, Stephanie Onofrey

Servants: Bethany Bruder, Mary Brzuchalski, Helen Cotirgasanu, David G. Cudlic, Roberta Cusick, Val Danchenko, Betty Fedora, Christopher Felix, Olga Frimenko, Patricia G. Fu, Linda Gardner, Michele Gianfarcaro, Walter Grigoruk, Rachel Hardesty, Nicholas Hazzard, Don Holobeney, Jonathan Hontz, Sherry Hromiak, Michael H. Isbansky, Sarah Jubinski, Alexandra Keysock, Mary K. Koretski, Stephanie Koretski, Bernard Kusior, Jean Kusior, David Lezinsky, Judy Lezinsky, Victoria Lustig, Olga Maksimova, Amber Metz, Lanelle Mikolaitis, Catherine Miller, Nicolae & Doina Marian, Kylie Pinho, Kiera Pheiffer, Laurel Riley, Victoria Ross, Mary Ruzila, Nancy A. Sabol, Connor Samuels, Robert Schainfeld, Catherine Shea, Francine Slivka, Michael Slivka, Julia Smith, Julia G. Smolenski, Dorothy Stafiniak, Joan Stetz, Mary Strohecker, Ola Tatusko, Irene Witaneck

Handmaidens of God: Amanda Riley, Kaylee Riley, Alyssa Weaver and their unborn children, Lisa Metz, Molly Polacco, Tosha Roberts and their newborn children.

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