

Saint Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church

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Glory to Jesus Christ!

Slava Isusu Christu!

Glory Forever!

Slava na V'iki!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER 1, 2024

Sun., Dec. 1 ***28th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***

9:00 AM - +John Deliman, by Anna Petro

Weds., Dec. 4 ***HOLY GREAT MARTYR BARBARA***

9:00 AM - +John Guzi, by Catherine Fulgum

Thu., Dec. 5 ***VIGIL: FEAST OF OUR HOLY FATHER NICHOLAS***

7:00 PM - For All the Members of Our Parish Family

Sun., Dec. 8 ***29th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST***

FEAST OF THE MATERNITY OF ANNA

9:00 AM - +Nicholas Stroz, by his wife, Ellen

Sunday Propers: Resurrectional Tone 3, pp. 135-137

Readings for Next Sunday: Gal. 4:22-31 (pg. 158), Luke 8:16-21 (pg. 57)

News & Happenings

Vigil Lamp: The vigil lamp is burning during December for +Nicholas Stroz, by his wife, Ellen.

Giving November 24, 2024

Sunday Offertory: \$728.87

Total: \$728.87

Giving Wreath: Diane D'Addario-Billimoria is once again coordinating our Christmas Giving Tree this year. Tags can be found on our little trees in the back of the church for us to choose and purchase a gift for someone in need from Family and Children's Aid. The gifts can be put under our Christmas trees and will be delivered to the children before Christmas. The deadline for gifts is December 15. Please be generous in this outreach to our community during this season. Thank you and God bless you!

Study on the Incarnation of Christ for Saint Philip's Fast. We continue our discussion Saint Athanasius' classic book, *On the Incarnation*, today, after the Divine Liturgy in the Sanctuary. I think it is important during this season to understand why God became flesh for our salvation. If anyone is still interested in this study, you can still come and join us. I look forward to sharing this study with you and hope you can attend!

News & Happenings

Bishop's Appeal for 2024: You should soon receive the envelope containing the Bishop's Appeal for this coming year. The Chancery has set the goal for our parish at \$7,000. Prayerfully consider donating to the appeal. Do your best; do what you can, and God bless you for your generosity in this Appeal.

Saint Nicholas Day Brunch: Our parish Saint Nicholas Brunch will be held **next Sunday**, December 8th, down in the Hall after the Divine Liturgy, in celebration of our patron. All are welcome; please invite family and friends. This will be a great time for all to celebrate the feast of the great Saint Nicholas. Come and enjoy brunch, fellowship, and good cheer. We can also use your help. The church will provide the main course. We would like to ask parishioners if they would bring their favorite side dishes or a dessert. Also, we would welcome any door prizes that we can raffle off at the end.

We will have events for the kids, and hopefully, Saint Nicholas will come and be with us! Volunteers for set up and clean-up would be greatly appreciated. Donations at the event are appreciated to help defer the cost. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church. Bring the whole family and your friends!

Friday Night Bingo: Our weekly Friday night bingo will end Friday December 13, 2024. We could not continue running this weekly event with the limited parishioners that volunteered. The expression "It takes a Village" certainly applies. We will start on January 11, 2025, running a once a month, second Saturday of every month an "expanded bingo". We are hoping that a once-a-month Saturday evening bingo will generate more support from the parishioners.

More details to follow by mid-December. -Dave & Steph Fanning