## St. Michael's Orthodox Church

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Gospel: Luke 14:16-24 Sunday, December 12, Holy Forefathers,

St. Spiridon the Wonderworker.

Epistle: Col.3:4-11

## **Schedule of Services**

Sunday, December 12, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Parastas (40<sup>th</sup> Day) for Ronald Sernak offered lovingly by daughter Ann. Parastas for Alex Meholic (21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary) offered lovingly by George & Marilyn Petorak.

Saturday, December 18, Great Vespers 4:00 p.m.

<u>Sunday, December 19</u>, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. <u>Parastas (40<sup>th</sup> Day) for Steve</u> Franchak, offered lovingly by his wife Rose and family.

<u>Annual Parish Meeting</u> held last Sunday was extremely well attended. The Church budget for 2022 was unanimously passed and election of officers -all positions were filled. All reports were accepted. <u>Following a lengthy discussion on St. Michael's Center property, a vote was taken with a unanimous decision in favour of not selling.</u> A full report will be sent to Archbishop Mark, & anticipating his written letter of approval and blessing to hold the installation of our Church Committee.

<u>Bread & Perogi Sale</u> will be held on Thursday, December 23, 12-4 p.m. Order cut-off date: Monday, December 20. Please call Ruth for order at 570-876-1456. <u>Thank you in advance for your support!</u>

<u>Coffee Hour & hostesses</u>: <u>December 12</u>, Vickey Kravetsky and Charette Radionoff, <u>December 19</u>, Maryann Dubee and Susan Schlasta.

<u>A Special Thank You to Lydia Given</u> for directing our Church choir this morning and offering her time and talent. <u>May our Lord continue to bless her for many years!</u>

<u>Christmas Poinsettias</u> \$15.00 and \$20.00 are being accepted. \$10.00 for Christmas Candles. Please make an offering for your continued good health, or for the departed members of our family. <u>God bless you in advance for your donations.</u>

Poinsettia \$20.00 in loving memory of parents; Frank & Mary Bowan and Gabriel & Barbara Petorak, offered by Protodeacon Gabriel Petorak & Matushka Dolores. Poinsettia \$20.00 in memory of Andrew Hanchak, offered by his wife Dorothy Hanchak, Poinsettia \$20.00 in memory of Donald Vaverchak Sr. & Donald Vaverchak Jr. offered by Karlee & Ryan Vaverchak, \$20.00 Poinsettia in memory of Frank & Mary Bowan, \$20.00 Poinsettia in memory of John & Julia Pash, \$20.00 Poinsettia in memory of Joseph & Madilyn Chup from John & Patsy Pash. \$15.00 Poinsettia \$10.00 Candle in memory of Robert Telep and Parents; Nikita & Mary Hrichuk, offered by Millie Telep. \$10.00 Candle for the health of Paul Kostiak, \$10.00 Candle for the health of Delores, Stephen, Ellen, William, Megan offered by Delores Brophy, \$10.00 Candle in memory of Stephen & Mary Kostiak and Helen Wahal offered by Paul Kostiak and Delores Brophy.

**\$200.00 Christmas offering** from Peter & Sarah Jubinski. **\$50.00 Christmas Candle donation** for the continued good health of George, Marilyn & Joshua Petorak.

**<u>\$100 Church Wine Donation</u>** for the continued good health of Sam Mosley and family, and in loving memory of the departed family members.

<u>Christmas carolling Sign up-sheet</u> is in the back of the Church by the Church Bulletins. Please sign the sheet if you want the Christmas Carollers to visit your home. It will be held Sunday afternoon & evening on December 26. The carollers will begin at the Church Rectory following the Liturgy. A special thank you to Lydia Given for organizing this beautiful tradition.

<u>St. Michael's Christmas out-reach</u> to the marginalized families & children in our area. Please call Susan Schlasta at 570-840-9544 if you would like to participate. <u>A Special collection will be held next Sunday, December 19. We thank you in advance for your support!</u>

<u>Please remember in your prayers; Irene Leschak</u> who is home receiving rehab: 229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. <u>Helen Grancey</u> 102 Cleveland Dr. Jermyn, Pa. 18433 who is recuperating at home from surgery. <u>Please send them a "Get Well Card."</u>

<u>Peter Senio is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge</u>, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. <u>Please remember Peter in your prayers.</u>

<u>If your Church Dues are in arrears</u>, please make an effort to send them to the Church. The Annual dues are <u>\$160.00</u> per year. Please call Gloria Shaw at 570-954-3905 to get your balance.

<u>Thought for the Day:</u> "He who has not Christmas in his heart will never find it under a tree." "Like snowflakes, my Christmas memories gather and dance—each beautiful, unique, and gone too soon."