St. Michael's Orthodox Church

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Gospel: Matt.2:13-23

Sunday, December 26, 2nd Day of the
Nativity of Christ.

Epistle: Gal.1:11-19

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

Sunday, December 26, Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. & Christmas Carolers

Friday, December 31, New Year's Eve – Great Vespers 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 1, Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. & Prayers for the New Year 2022

Sunday, January 2, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

<u>A Special thank you</u> to Protodeacon Gabriel Petorak and all who worked with him in decorating the Church and our beautiful Christmas Trees.

<u>Bread & Perogi Sale</u> held this past Wednesday at St. Michael's Center was a huge success. We thank you for your support!

St. Michael's Christmas out-reach to the marginalized families & children in our area collection came to \$1,044.00. **We thank Susan Schlasta for organizing this beautiful Christmas charity!**

<u>Church Lectionary Wall Calendars for 2022</u> are in back of the Church. A Special thank you to the Battenberg funeral home for the sponsorship of our calendars, and printed by St. Tikhon's Monastery Press.

<u>Offering Envelops for 2022 are underneath the Church</u>. A Special thank you to Gloria Shaw and Eva Demchak for organizing this project. <u>Please pick-up the offering envelopes for your family!</u>

<u>Coffee Hour for Sunday, January 2 – Please bring your homemade favorite Christmas cookies</u>

<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>Large Poinsettia</u> \$20.00 & \$10.00 Christmas candle in loving memory of Delores and Paul Serniak and the Guzey & Kelechawa families offered by children; Debbie Bernosky and Steven Serniak. <u>Large Poinsettia</u> \$20.00 in loving memory of Elizabeth Lizio. Large Poinsettia \$20.00 in loving memory of Robert A. Furiosi, offered by wife Melanie.

\$100.00 offering in loving memory of David Essig offered by Skard, Mrykalo and Peter Mensky families, **\$100.00** in loving memory of David Essig offered by Willard & Sue Brown, **\$50.00** in loving memory of David Essig, offered by the Meredith Hose Company, **\$25.00** in loving memory of David Essig offered by Joyce Albert.

<u>Please remember in your prayers; Alexander Wanas</u> who is a patient at the Geisinger Community Medical Center, 1800 Mulberry St. Scranton, Pa. 18510. Please send him a get-well card. <u>Irene Leschak</u> who is home receiving rehab:.229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. <u>Peter Senio is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge</u>, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa.

<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>Omicron variant is in all 50 states in our country</u>. It is recommended to keep everyone safe to start wearing masks while in Church.

Troparion — **Tone** 4

Your 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 You, / the Sun of Righteousness, / and to know You, the Orient from on High. / O Lord, glory to You!

Kontakion — Tone 3

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 a star! / Since for our sake the Eternal God was born as a Little Child!