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**Gospel: Luke 17:12-19**

December 10th, 2017

**Epistle: Eph.6:10-17**

**Holy Martyr Menas, Hermogenes & Eugraphus**

**Schedule of Divine Services**

**Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**, Obednitsa 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

**Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**, Great Vespers 4:00 p.m. Confession 3:30 p.m.

**Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>**, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. (Parastas for Ann Ferenchak offered by Andrew Petorak.)

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**Perogie making Project for the Christmas Sale** will be held this Monday December 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Center. We need helpers!

**CHRISTMAS SALE AT ST. MICHAEL'S CENTER:** Homemade by the bakers at St. Michael's All Holiday Rolls \$10.00: Nut, Poppy, Lekvar, Apricot, Pineapple Coconut, Raspberry Cream. Home Made Bread: \$5.00 plain or \$6.00 raisin, Perogies \$7.00 doz. (frozen only), Sopperssata \$12.00 lb. **Pick-up Thursday, 12/21/17 from Noon -4pm. To order call: 570 876-1456 or (Fax) 570 876-3454**

**A Special Thank You to Reader Bill and Maryanne Dubee** for chanting the Divine Liturgy this morning in the traditional Carpatho-Russian Plain Chant and to Dorothy Allen in singing the response to the Sunday morning Obednitsa for the 8:00 a.m. service. **May our Lord Bless Them For Many Years!**

**Christmas Flowers & Candles are being accepted.** \$20.00 Large Poinsettia plant \$15.00 small plant and \$10.00 for candles can be offered in loving memory of departed family members, or for the health of your family.

**\$25.00 Christmas Candles** for Elizabeth and Alex Hockin offered by their families. \$20.00 Christmas Flowers in loving memory of Allan Senio, Christmas Flowers in loving memory of (Kum) Daniel, Mary & godchild Barbara Kitchura, offered by Peter and Helen Senio.

**Our Regular Weekly & Church Committee Special Parish By-Laws Meeting** will be held this Tuesday, December 12th and we will have our By-Laws in conformity to the Orthodox Church in America. **A Special Annual Meeting has been moved to Sunday, December 17th to present the Template of our up-dated By-laws to the Parish for ratification.**

**Advent Confession & Holy Communion visitation to our shut-ins** will begin this week. Fr. John will call the evening prior to the visit.

**Church Dues are being collected prior to the end of the year.** If you are in the arrears, please make every effort to send in your dues. If you are interested in knowing the balance of your Church dues, please contact Gloria Shaw at 570-876-5506.

**St. Michael's Scholarship Raffle** is being held to benefit five church graduates for next year. Please see Protodeacon Gabriel during Coffee hour and show your support!

**We pray for the speedy recovery:** of Oleg Beljaeff who continues to receive rehabilitation treatment at home. Oleg is planning to direct the Choir next Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Please remember Oleg in your prayers and send him a get-well card.

**A Special Collection will be held for (O.C.P.M)** Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry will be taken this Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> during the second offering. This is their annual Christmas Appeal. Please be generous in your offering. Fr. John Kowalczyk is Secretary of this National Prison Organization.

**Church School** will be held on Sunday, December 17th, following the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Matushka Kathy and Matushka Dolores are the teachers. **Please plan to bring your children to Church School!**

**Christmas out-reach to needy children in our area:** is being organized by Susan Schlasta. Our Church will provide special assistance and purchase Christmas presents. **A Special Collection will be taken next Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> during the second collection** and we will read the gifts provided to our local children on Christmas morning December 25<sup>th</sup>, during the celebration of the Divine Liturgy.

**2018 Church Calendars are available.** A Special Thank you to the Battenburg Funeral Home for sponsoring the calendars. Please take extra for you family & Friends.

**Please remember in your prayers; Peter** & Helen Senio who are guests at; The Gardens of Green Ridge, Rm. #101, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. Ann Butler a guest at the Elmeroft of Mid-Valley, Michael Klaptach who is guest at the Wayne Woodlands Manor, in Waymart., Pa. Mary Slenska, Allied Rehab, and Irene Kiehart is a guest at the Atria at Farmington, 111 Scott Swamp Rd, and Rm.14B Farmington, CT 06032.

**Hostesses:** Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>; Debbie Bernosky, Eileen Brzuchalski, Maryann Dubee, December 14<sup>th</sup>; Kay Fedirko, Helen Grancey, Matushka Kathy Kowalczyk, December 31<sup>st</sup>; Theresa Krenitsky, Susan Schlasta, Valerie Nidoh