

**St. Michael's Orthodox Church
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Gospel: Matt.2:13-23

December 31, 2017

Epistle: Gal.1:11-19

Sunday after Nativity

Schedule of Divine Services

Sunday, December 31st, Obednitsa 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.
Great Vespers 4:00 p.m. and prayers for the New Year!

Monday, January 1st, 2018 Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 9:00 a.m. & prayers for the New Year!

Friday, January 5th, Great Complines 4:00 p.m. **& Blessing of Water (Strict Fast Day)**

Saturday, January 6th, Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. **(Feast of Theophany) & Blessing of Water**

Sunday, January 7th, Obednitsa 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Blessing of Home Schedule

Saturday, January 6th: 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm East-side Jermyn, 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm West side Jermyn.

Sunday, January 7th: 1:00 p.m. Mayfield, - 5:30 pm Carbondale & Simpson.

Monday, January 8th: - 1:00 pm Pleasant Mt. 2:00 p.m. Vandling, Richmondale, Uniondale, Forest City & Dundaff, 4:30 pm Dickson City, Peckville, Olyphant, Eynon, Archbald.

Tuesday, January 9th: 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Waymart, Seelyville, Beach Lake, Honesdale, Moscow
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 pm Clifford, Greenfield, Chapman Lake & Clarks Summit.

Wednesday, January 10th: Make-Up Day (in afternoon). Wanas Family & Alexander's Restaurant. - Fr. John Kowalczyk 570-561-8696 (Cell Phone)

Church Offering Envelopes for 2018 are underneath the Church. Please pick-up your envelopes this morning. A Special Thank You to Gloria Shaw and Eva Demchak in organizing our envelopes.

Please remember in your prayers: Oleg Beljaeff who is a patient at the Regional Hospital in Scranton, Pa. Rm. #727. Please make a visit or send him a get-well card!

Christmas Flower donation: \$50.00 in loving memory of departed Barbara Franchak offered by her husband Anthony Franchak, \$10.00 Candles offered by Paul Kostiak for his health, \$10.00 for the health of Delores, Stephen, Ellen, William and Megan Brophy, \$10.00 in memory of Stephen & Mary Kostiak and Helen Wahal, offered by Paul Kostiak and Delores Brophy, \$15.00 Flowers for the continued good health of the Fedirko & Mills families, \$10.00 Candles in memory of the Keklak, Mills, Fedirko & Kutch families.

St. Michael's New Church By-laws have been unanimously ratified by our Special Parish Meeting held last Sunday. His Eminence, Archbishop Mark blessed and accepted our new By-laws and we are now in conformity with the statutes of the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania and the Orthodox Church in America.

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.

Church Committee Weekly Meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, January 2nd, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Church School will be held on Sunday, December 31st, and Sunday, January 7th, following the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Matushka Kathy and Matushka Dolores are the teachers. **Please plan to bring your children to Church School!**

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** 31st; Theresa Krenitsky, Susan Schlasta, Valerie Nidoh , Sunday, January 7th, Melanie Wanas, Marilyn Petorak and Maryann Serafini.

Thought for the Day: "Friend, neighbour, confidante: you have improved my life so much that, as we enter a new year, I wish for you all the love you have shown me."
Happy New Year!