

**St. Michael's Orthodox Church
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Gospel: Luke 14:16-24

December 15, 2019
Holy Forefathers

Epistle: Col.3:4-11

Schedule of Services

Sunday, December 15th, Obednitsia 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Parastas – 40th Day for Helen Senio, offered by husband Peter Senio.

Sunday, December 22nd, Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

The Very Rev. David Hester, will celebrate the Divine Liturgy next Sunday, and during the time of the recovery of Fr. John from his surgery. **Please remember Fr. John in your prayers.**

Perogi Construction Project will be held this Monday, December 16th beginning at 8:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Center. **Please come out and help us!**

Homemade Bread for Christmas will be made on Wednesday, December 18th at 8:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Center. **Please come out and help us!**

St. Michael's Christmas Sale: Homemade by the bakers at St. Michael's Center. All Holiday Rolls: \$10.00: Nut, Poppy, Lekvar, Apricot, Pineapple, Coconut, & Raspberry Cream. Homemade Bread: Plain \$6.00 or Raisin \$7.00. Perogies (Frozen only) \$7.00 Doz. Soppressate, \$14.00 per stick. Order Call: 876-1456 or Fax 876-3454. Pick up Friday, December 20, Noon- 4p.m. Cutoff date Sunday, December 15.

Christmas Poinsettia Large \$20.00 Small \$15.00 & Candles \$10.00. You may offer for the continued good health of family or for the eternal memory of your loved ones. **We thank you in advance for your support.**

\$20.00 Poinsettia was given in honor of parents Mary and Frank Bowen, Barbara and Gabriel Petorak, offered by Protodeacon Gabriel and Matushka Dolores. **\$20.00** Poinsettia in loving memory of Andrew & Olga Grancey, Nicholas and Helen Myshak. **\$10.00** Christmas Candles offered by Paul Kostiak for his continued health, **\$10.00** Christmas Candles offered by Delores Brophy for the health of Delores, Stephen, Ellen, William and Megan. **\$10.00** Christmas Candles in memory of Stephen and Mary Kostiak, And Mary Wahal offered by Delores Brophy and Paul Kostiak.

Church Offering Envelopes for 2020 are underneath the Church in Alphabetical Order. A Special Thank You to Gloria Shaw and Eva Demchak for all the hard-work in organizing this project. **May our Lord Bless Them for Many Years!**

Church School will be held this Sunday, December 15th, following the Divine Liturgy. Please bring your children to Church School. Matushka Kathy and Matushka Dolores are the teachers.

Church Calendars for 2020 have arrived. A special thank you to the Battenberg Funeral Home for their annual donation.

November 15, was the beginning of the Nativity Fast, As Orthodox Christians we begin this journey to the **Feast of the Nativity** which is celebrated as 'Christmas' on December 25. This is a joyous Fast in anticipation of the Nativity of Christ. This fast is observed as a kind of winter Lenten season in preparation for the coming of Christ at His birth.

Annual Christmas Out-Reach to underprivileged children in our area will be held with a special collection to be held this morning,, December 15, during the second offering. This is being coordinated again by Susan Schlasta. Any direct donations can be given to Susan by calling her at 570-840-9544.

Choir Rehearsal for Christmas Liturgy will be held on Monday, December 23rd at 6:00 p.m. The rehearsal is being call by summer intern; Peter Simko. **Please make every effort to attend!**

Please remember in your prayers: Annabel Franchak who is guest at the Wayne Woodlands Manor, in Waymart., Pa. **Peter Senio** who is a guest at; The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa., **Marie Derkash & Ann Butler** are guests at the Oakwood Terrace, 400 Gleason Dr. Moosic, Pa. 18507 **Mary Slenska**, Allied Rehab.

Sunday Hostesses: December 15, Jean Malec, Maryann Serafini Theresa Krenitksy. **December 22,** Mille Telep, Dorothy Allen, Kay Fedirko, **December 29,** Maryaan Dube, Matushka Dolores, Matushka Kathy.

