

**St. Michael's Orthodox Church
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& 360 virtual tour and 4-part welcome**

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8
Epistle: 2Tim.4:5-8

January 1,2023, Sunday before
Theophany, Circumcision of Christ,
& St. Basil the Great

Happy New Year 2023

Sunday, January 1, 2023, Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great & Circumcision of Christ 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, January 5, Great Compline 6:30 p.m. Eve of the Feast of the Theophany of Christ
Blessing of Wheat, Wine & Oil -Strict Fast

Friday, January 6, Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. The Great Feast of the Theophany of Christ, followed by the Great Blessing of Water.

Saturday, January 7, Great Vespers 6:30 p.m.

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

Church Committee Meeting will be held this Tuesday, January 3 at 5:30 p.m. We will be discussing the up-coming 59 Diocesan Assembly of the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania to be held at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church in Bethlehem, on Thursday, January 26 and Friday, January 27 and other old & new business in preparation for our Annual Parish Meeting.

Church Envelops for 2023 are in alphabetical order underneath the Church. A Special Thank you to Gloria Shaw and Eva Demchak for organizing this project.

Church Calendars for 2023 have arrived and a special thank you to Charles Battenberg in sponsoring the calendars. **Please take extra calendars for family and friends.**

St. Michael's Christmas out-reach to the marginalized families & children in our area came to a total of \$935.00. A Special Thank You to Susan Schalsta for organizing this annual event.

Church School will be held this Sunday, January 1, following the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. A Special thank you to the parents who made a commitment to Orthodox Christian Education and provide a spiritual and religious dynamic for their children.

Coffee Hour Hostesses for Sunday; January 1, Ruth Lasichak & Roxane Neutts
January 8, Vicky Kravetsky and Charrette Radionoff **January 15,** Maryann Dube & Susan Schlasta **January 22,** Millie Telep & Dorothy Allen **January 29,** Matushka Kathy & Matushka Dolores.

Adult Education Class will resume on Thursday, January 5, following the Compline services We will examine the importance of the Feast Day of Theophany and how we can renew a new relationship with Jesus Christ in the New-Year 2023. **Please mark this date on your calendar and make every effort to attend!**

Vision Statement: "We seek to rededicate ourselves to the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Catholic and Apostolic Church. We are here to provide a loving and caring community, by participating in the worship services, so we may reach-out to those who are lost and witness the love of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

- **Adopted on October 17, 2022.**

A Special Donation of \$400.00 was given this week to our Church from John & Michael Krisa. May our Lord bless them for many years!

Please remember in your prayers; Irene Leschak who is home receiving rehab; 229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. **John Drutarosky**, who is a patient at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407 **Peter Senio** is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa.

House Blessing for Theophany will begin on Monday, January 9, please call Fr. John at 570-876-1241 (Rectory) or 570-561-8696 (Cell) if you would like your home blessed.
