



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Week of December 19 - 25, 2010 ❖ 30th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday before the Nativity - Sunday of the Holy Fathers ❖ Tone 5*

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40

BRETHREN: By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God. By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, of whom it was said, "In Isaac your seed shall be called," concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense. By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come. By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff. By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones. By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw he was a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king's command. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented - of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all

these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

Matthew 1:1-25

The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac, Isaac begot Jacob, and Jacob begot Judah and his brothers. Judah begot Perez and Zerah by Tamar, Perez begot Hezron, and Hezron begot Ram. Ram begot Amminadab, Amminadab begot Nahshon, and Nahshon begot Salmon. Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and Abijah begot Asa. Asa begot Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat begot Joram, and Joram begot Uzziah. Uzziah begot Jotham, Jotham begot Ahaz, and Ahaz begot Hezekiah. Hezekiah begot Manasseh, Manasseh begot Amon, and Amon begot Josiah. Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon. And after they were brought to Babylon, Jeconiah begot Shealtiel, and Shealtiel begot Zerubbabel. Zerubbabel begot Abiud, Abiud begot Eliakim, and Eliakim begot Azor. Azor begot Zadok, Zadok begot Achim, and Achim begot Eliud. Eliud begot Eleazar, Eleazar begot Matthan, and Matthan begot Jacob. And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ. So all the generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations, from David until the captivity in Babylon are fourteen generations, and from the captivity in Babylon until the Christ are fourteen generations. Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, [OVER]

DAILY READINGS:

Dec 20th
Heb. 3:5-11,17-19
Mark 9:42-10:1
Dec 21st
Heb. 12:25-26;13:22-35
Mark 10:2-12
Dec 22nd
James 1:1-18
Mark 10:11-16
Dec 23rd
James 1:19-27
Mark 10:17-27
Dec 24th
Heb. 1:1-12
Luke 2:1-20
Dec 25th
Gal. 4:4-7
Matt. 2:1-12

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, December 19th
Church School 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour -
Choir Rehearsal 11:15 a.m.

Tuesday, December 21st
Confession 3:00 p.m.

Friday, December 24th
EVE OF THE NATIVITY
Vespertal Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Compline & Matins 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 25th
NATIVITY OF OUR LORD
Festal Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday December 19th
Greeter: Bartos
Cleaning: R. Delaney
Coffee: Wanik

Sunday December 26th
Greeter: Bartos
Cleaning: R. Delaney
Coffee: 20/40 Club

Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 192
YTD:\$117,601 [83.1%]
YTD Goal: \$141,600.00
(50 wks) [\$ 2832.00/wk]



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and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name JESUS, for He will save His people from their sins. So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, which is translated, "God with us." Then Joseph, being aroused from sleep, did as the angel of the Lord commanded him and took to him his wife, and did not know her till she had brought forth her first-born Son. And he called His name JESUS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦**Sisterhood Christmas Cookie Sale:**
Come downstairs and pick-up some wonderful home made Christmas Cookies!!!

♦**Greeters & Cleaners:** The list for Greeters for the first half of 2011 along with the list for cleaners, by weeks, for December through February is posted on the bulletin board. PLEASE sign-up today!!

Thank you December and January cleaners and to everyone who has taken the time to beautify OUR church!



"For the sick and suffering"

George Liwen
Megan Bartos
John Steffick
Vera Luzetti
Marion Bichun

Archimandrite Alexander [Golitzin] (stroke - friend of Fr. David; Milwaukee, WI)

Archpriest Michael Mihalick (MS - All Saints, Johnstown, PA)

Archpriest William DuBovik (All Saints, Hartford)

Deacon John Zarras (cancer - Christ the Savior, Southbury)

child Timothy Armstrong Jr. (Great-nephew of Ann Myszka)

Judy Flood (Sister-in-Law of Rosemary Delaney)

Rosario Sarcia (Father-in-Law of Kevin Delaney)

Thomas Prince (Cousin of John Delaney)

Joyce Prince (Cousin of John Delaney)

Robin Prince (Cousin of John Delaney)

Helen Skrobat (recovery for hip surgery - Mother of John Skrobat)

Sonya Bartos (Mother of David Bartos)

Shirley Lucas (Daughter of Ruth Lucas)

Eva Jackson (Friend of Margaret Wagner)

Nicholas Borick (Friend of Margaret Wagner)

..... and all those shut-in and in Nursing Homes!

Newly Departed:
Mary Bogdan [Nov 17]
Priscilla Cherhoniak [Nov 30] (Aunt of Rosemary Delaney)
Ria Coleman [Dec 2] (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)
Mary Stankewicz Cherpak [Dec 14] (Lutz, Florida)



♦**Coffee Hour:** The NEW 2011 Coffee Hour sign-up sheet is being passed around by Phyllis Bartos. PLEASE put your name on the list!!!

♦**Stewardship:** We have come to the last month of the year and it is time for all of us to look at our financial obligation to HTOC. This should be a time of "catching up" not falling farther behind. Everyone should have made a commitment for 2011 by filling out a pledge form. As of today we have only received 25 out of a possible 98 forms.

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." (Luke 12:34)

♦**The December monthly charity** is for the "Friendship Center of New Britain" The Friendship Center has grown to encompass a Continuum of Care philosophy of offering services for those who are poor, hungry and homeless. The collection is taken NEXT SUNDAY. You may donate early by using the envelope provided in your monthly mailing.



Donald Rotenberg (Physician of Margaret Wagner)
child Justin Holmes (Friend of the Bichun's)
Sawa Kokotiuk (Father of Raisa Shafran)
Laura Iles (Friend of Diane Polzun)
child Isabelle Negron (Friend of Larissa Rembisz)
Krista Nordmark (cancer - Friend of Laura Burrill)
Raymond Bargielski (cancer - Friend of Nelson & Arlene Potter)
David Hull (cancer - Physician of Arlene Potter)
Daria Zagorska (Daughter of Eva Zagorska)
child Daniel Hawn (brain cancer - Friend of Diane Dounouk)
Jen Gowac (pericarditis - Friend of Juliana Koles)
Alexandra Hopko (in-operable tumors - Sister of Fr. John Hopko)
Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Terryville)
Infant Leo DuMoulin (Holy Resurrection, Claremont, NH)
John Dorsey (Husband of Lydia Dorsey)
in need of our prayers:
Lydia Dorsey

♦**Home Blessing schedule:** Please check the bulletin board which has tentative 2011 Home Blessing schedule. If your name does not appear on the list, and you want your home blessed, talk to Fr. David at coffee hour.



♦**Men's Club Lotto -**
24 Irene Ferrandino
Support the Men's Club
Church Improvement Fund!!
All proceeds will go to the church for renovations!

♦**Future Dates:**
Wednesday, January 5th - Theophany / Baptism of Christ: Festal Vesperal Liturgy & Great Blessing of Water 6:00 p.m.
Monday, January 10th 7:00 p.m. - Parish Council meeting.
Sunday, Jan. 23, 2011 - Annual Meeting and Lunch for the Men's Club after Divine Liturgy.
Sunday, Jan. 30, 2011 - Annual Parish Meeting following Divine Liturgy and extended coffee hour.