



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Week of December 23 - 29, 2007 ❖ 30th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday of the Holy Fathers*

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 24th
Heb. 1:1-12
Luke 2:1-20
Dec 25th
Gal. 4:4-7
Matt. 2:1-12
Dec 26th
Heb. 2:11-18
Matt. 2:13-23
Dec 27th
James 1:19-27
Mark 11:27-33
Dec 28th
James 2:1-13
Mark 12:1-12
Dec 29th
Col. 1:3-6
Luke 17:3-10

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, Dec 23rd
Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Coffee Hour

Monday, Dec 24th
EVE OF THE NATIVITY
Vespertal Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Compline & Matins 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec 25th
NATIVITY OF OUR LORD
Festal Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec 26th

Thursday, Dec 27th

Friday, Dec 28th

Saturday, Dec 29th
Vespers 4:00 p.m.
Confession

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Dec 23th

Greeter: Bartos'

Cleaning: Myszka's

Coffee: E Cherpak/Bradani

Sunday Dec 30th

Greeter: Bartos'

Cleaning: Myszka's

Coffee: ? ? ?

Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 1707

YTD: \$124,018 [82.7%]

YTD Goal: \$ 149,989

(49wks) [\$3061/wk]



100 PLUS CLUB

Collected: \$ 5800

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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.

*"For unto us a child is born,
unto us a son is given."*

*From our family to all the
faithful of Holy Trinity,
a blessed and joyous feast of
the Nativity of our Lord.*

Christ is Born!

*Fr. David, Melanie,
Juliana & Irene*

"For the sick and suffering "

Olga Skotnicki Mary Glowacki
Mary Roman Maria Stregotsky
Dina Karanowytch Matriona Aguzzi
Vera Luzetti Michael Truhan

Alexy Rudy

— in need of our prayers:

Lydia Dorsey
Peter Roshak (son of Fr. Michael Roshak
Three Saints, Ansonia)
Archpriest Nicholas Timpko
(recovery - knee surgery)
Archpriest William DuBovik
(All Saints, Hartford)
Archpriest Michael Mihalick (MS -
Johnstown, PA)
Nicholas Selivonik (Friends of
Tatiana Selivonik Tania Bouteneff)
Stephen Tvardzik (grandson of Fr. John
& Pani Pat Duranko)
child Justin Holmes (Infant friend of
the Bichun's)
Elena Deschesne (Cousin of Ed Bichun)

Judy Flood (Sister-in-Law of
Rosemary Delaney)
Joan Anderson (Sister-in-Law of
Rosemary Delaney)
Wayne Demske (Cousin of
Rosemary Delaney)
Shirley Lucas (Daughter of Ruth Lucas)
Sawa Kokotiuk (Father of
Raisa Shafran)
Tatiana Kokotiuk (Mother of
Raisa Shafran)
Laura Iles (Friend of Diane Polzun)
Louise Lefebvre (cancer - Friend of
Diane Polzun)
Donat Martin (Father-in-law
of Nancy Martin)
child Timothy Armstrong Jr. (Great-
nephew of Ann Myszka)
Lucille Boynton (Aunt of Maureen
& George Ludko)
John Baraglia (cancer - Cemetery Sexton)
Donna Kriniske (cancer - Cousin of
Mat. Melanie Koles)
Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril &
Methodius, Terryville)

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

NEWLY Archbishop PETER (11/19) [retired Abp. of NY and NJ]
DISPARTED: Zinaida Sotnick (11/22)
Valentin Zurawlew (11/27)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **Sisterhood Holiday Bake Sale:** Today during coffee hour the Sisterhood is holding its annual Holiday Bake Sale. Stop in and pick-up something delicious!!



◆ **Church School:** A short parents meeting for church school aged children will be held today following coffee hour.

◆ **Greeters and cleaners:** Sign-up sheets for Greeters and Cleaners for 2008 are on the bulletin board. Please sign-up today to help next year. Your stewardship of time and effort is greatly appreciated.

◆ **Coffee Hour:** Please see Phyllis or David Bartos to add your name to the 2008 calendar to host coffee hour. The best thing is to pair-up with someone and sign-up for two or three Sundays. THANK YOU!



◆ **The December monthly charity** is the "Warm the Children" which provides new winter clothing for the children of needy fami-

lies. The collection is taken on the last Sunday of the month. You may donate early by using the envelope provided in your monthly mailing.

◆ **Weather Alerts:** When the miserable weather hits, check with NBC 30 or WTIC 1080 for changes to the regular schedule or go to our web site and click the links for online information.



◆ **Men's Club Lotto -**
75 Jennie Everson
Support the Men's Club
Church Improvement Fund!!
Do you have a number ?

◆ **Future Dates:**

.Monday, Dec. 31st Vespertal Liturgy for Circumcision / St. Basil the Great & Mollieben for the New Year 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 5th Festal Vigil for the Great Feast of Theophany 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 6th Festal Divine Liturgy and The Great Blessing of Water for the Great Feast of Theophany 9:00 a.m.