



# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Week of December 25 - 31, 2011 ❖ 27th Sunday after Pentecost  
Nativity of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ ❖ Tone 2*

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### *Galatians 4:4-7*

**BRETHREN:** By when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

### *Matthew 2:1-12*

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. So they said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet: But you, Bethlehem, in

the land of Judah, Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel.' " Then Herod, when he had secretly called the wise men, determined from them what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found Him, bring back word to me, that I may come and worship Him also." When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Then, being Divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.



## DAILY READINGS:

### December 26th

Heb. 2:11-18

Matt. 2:13-23

### December 27th

2 Tim. 3:16-4:4

Mark 11:11-23

### December 28th

2 Tim. 4:9-22

Mark 11:23-26

### December 29th

Titus 1:5-2:1

Mark 11:27-33

### December 30th

Titus 1:15-2:10

Mark 12:1-12

### December 31st

Eph. 1:16-23

Luke 17:3-10

## *Weekly Calendar*

Sunday, December 25th  
**НΑΤΙΥΠΤΥ OF OUR LORD**

**Fast Free Festal Season**  
December 25th - January 4th

Saturday, December 31st  
**ΛΕΑΥΕΤΑΚΙΝΓ OF THE ΝΑΤΙΥΠΤΥ**  
Great Vespers & Molieben for the New Year 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1st  
Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.  
Coffee Hour

Thursday, Jan 5th  
Festal Vesperal Liturgy & Great Blessing of Water 6:00 p.m.

Friday, Jan 6th  
**ΤΗCΟΡΗΑΝΥ / ΒΑΡΤΥCΙCΜ OF OUR LORD**  
Home Blessing

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday December 25

Greeter: Hromi's

Cleaning: Cleaning Committee

Sunday January 1

Greeter: Novikov

Cleaning: Cleaning Committee

Coffee: Koles

## Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 5,665

YTD:\$141,365 **[98.2%]**

YTD Goal:\$143,922.00

(51 wks) [\$ 2822.00/wk]

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

*Wishing all the  
faithful of Holy Trinity  
a joyous feast of the  
Nativity of our Lord and a  
blessed New Year!*

*Thank you for all of your  
cards and prayers!*

**Christ is Born!**

*Fr. David & Mat. Melanie*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆The December monthly charity collection is for **Boys & Girls Club of New Britain**. The Boys & Girls Club of New Britain has played a leadership role in our community since



1891-strengthening our families, our neighborhoods, and our city, in good times and bad, by changing lives and caring for young people, one child at a time. Our doors are open 1,967 hours each year for any kid to drop in, including weekends, with current membership covering 330 streets across New Britain.

Visit their web site at <http://www.bgclubnb.org/home.html>

Also, we will be collecting new or slightly used board & table games for the kids. A box will be at the bottom of the stairs for your contributions. Please be generous by using the envelopes provided in our monthly mailing. Collection will be taken on TODAY!!

◆**Elections:** We are in need of a number of people to fill vacancies on the Parish Council such as Asst. Treasurer, Auditor, Di-



## "For the sick and suffering"

Megan Bartos Stock Catherine Szeszakow  
Nicholas Hamisevicz Elizabeth Beck  
Jennie (Eugenia) Pich Child Eleanor Parnell

Archpriest Paul Lazor (recovery - surgery)  
Archpriest Steven Belonick (Holy Ghost Church, Bridgeport, CT)

Priest Michael Shuster (Holy Trinity Church, Spring Hill, FL)

Mat. Susanne Senyo (cancer - Pittsburgh, PA. schoolmate of Fr. David)

Mat. Laryssa Hutnyan (ovarian cancer - Sagamore Hills, Ohio)

Veronika Dubnansky (recovery: liver transplant - Grand-daughter of Raisa Shafran)

Gregory Shesko (cancer - Maynard, MA)

John Delaney (Husband of Rosemary Delaney)

Kathy Collins (Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

Anne Healey (cancer - Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

Thomas Kirby (kidney failure - Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

Daniel DeRosa (cancer - Friend of Rosemary Delaney)

John Skrobat (surgery/recovery: Brother-in-law of Rosemary Delaney)

Cindy Eastman (Sister of Phyllis Bartos)

Polly Gunther (Friend of Phyllis Bartos)

Catherine Williamson (Daughter of Steve Bradford)

Thomas Hricus (Brother of Marion Bichun)

Justin Holmes (Friend of the Bichun's)  
child Blake Curtis (Great-great Nephew of Marion Bichun)

Laura Bashar (Friend of the Bichun's)  
Marie Machado (cancer - rehab)  
Janet Roberts (Friend of Barbara Burrill)  
Richard Kusmirek (Friend of the Santoro's)  
Daniel Poproski (Nephew of Ellen Santoro)  
Marcia Stewart (cancer - Friend of the Polzun's)  
Kevin Ward (Friend of the Polzun's)  
Marge Bargielski (cancer - Sister of Potter's Brother-in law)

Patricia Borick (Friend of Margaret Wagner)  
Tamara West (Niece of Margaret Wagner)

Anita Hall (Friend of Margaret Wagner)  
Steven Ball (cancer - Friend of Marie Shimchick)

Debra Shimchick (Cousin of Marie Shimchick)  
Patricia Ranta (cancer - Friend of Marie Shimchick)

Rosalie Mastropaolo (surgery - Friend of Marie Shimchick)

William McKinney (cancer - Friend of Diane Dounouk)

Frank Lozis (Brother-in-law of Diane Dounouk)

Alexandra Lozis (Sister of Diane Dounouk)  
child Daniel Hawn (brain cancer - Friend of Diane Dounouk)

Steven Belonick (Grandfather of Daniel Belonick)

Andrew Veek (Grandfather of Brian Veek)

Alexandra Hopko (in-operable tumors - Sister of Fr. John Hopko)

Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Terryville)

Jennifer Ganley (MS - Friend of Chris Dresko)

### Captives:

Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo, Syria.

..... and all those shut-in at home or in Nursing Homes!

### NEWLY DEPARTED:

Mary Presta [Dec 2] (Friend of Margaret Wagner)

Katherine Kopcha [Dec 3] (Aunt of Mat. Melanie)

ВЪЧНАА ПАМАТЬ

ocesan Assembly representative (and especially to take over Financial Secretary & Treasurer in the future). Prayerfully consider your stewardship to our parish and step up when asked to serve by the Nomination Committee.

◆**Coffee Hour:** The NEW 2017 Coffee Hour sign-up sheet is posted on the Bulletin Board.



◆**Greeters:** Greeters List for the first half of 2017 is available for your participation.

◆ **Three Kings Day collection:** See Matushka Melanie if you can help with toys for our neighbor children.



◆**Men's Club Lotto -**

# 24 Irene Ferrandino

Support the Men's Club  
Special Projects Fund!!

Sign up today.

Do you have your number?!?!

### ◆Future Dates:

**Monday, January 16th:** Parish Council meeting 7:00

**Sunday, January 22nd:** Following the Divine Liturgy & Coffee hour the Sisterhood and Men's Club will hold their Annual Meetings. The Men's Club will also have their traditional lunch.

**Saturday, January 28th:** General Confession!  
**Sunday, January 29th:** Annual Parish Meeting!

**Wednesday, February 1st:** Festal Vesperal Liturgy 6:00 p.m. for the Great Feast of MEETING OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE. Festive Pot Luck supper to follow.

**Sunday, February 5th:** Beginning of the Lenten Triodion. Fast Free week 5th - 11th!

### December Finances

Income: \$ 12,503.00

Expense: \$ 13,670.05

Exp/Inc: \$ **-1,167.05**

### Year-to-date Finances

Income: \$ 153,293.17

Expense: \$ 154,940.83

Exp/Inc: \$ **-1,647.66**