

**Prayer List**

We offer our prayers for all of our shut-ins who are unable to attend church services. Also offer your prayers for those in need especially Helen Baburchak, Jessica Barton, Mat. Joanna Bohush, Lydia Boras, Laura Chapin, Elaine Costello; Bill Dranchak, Marilee Driggs; Tony Fiacco, Anthony Gallis, Justin Garcia, Kristine Garner; Kathy Gregory; Marge Herciga; Stella Holowatch, Alicia Laskowski; Linda Main; George Murphy, Alexander Newsom; Tanya Pylypciw, Janeel Rahman, Sheila Ransom, Mohamed Rawoof, Joni Mitchell, Ann Sawchak, Tyler Sunday; Millie Sviatyla, Dorothy Tarasevich, Rachelle Vitale, Elayna Volock, Jack Wanchisen, Bob Wartonik, Valentina Yelany & all of our parishioners who are ill. To add or remove names from the prayer list in the bulletin, please let Fr. Alexey or Fr. Timm know.

MEMORY ETERNAL – We offer our condolences, love and prayers to the family, friends and our parishioners, on falling asleep in the Lord of Olga Warski. May our merciful Lord grant his newly departed and ever-to-be remembered handmaiden Olga rest with the Saints in Heavenly Kingdom, Eternal Life and make her Memory to be Eternal!

**SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Please join us Sundays in October after Coffee Hour for a short (30 minutes) bible study. We are currently studying St. Paul's second letter to the Corinthians. Modern day Americans have many of the same problems and challenges that Paul addresses in this letter to the Corinthians. He offers wonderful counsel and encouragement.

**Christmas 2020 Donations for "Beautifying" our Church and "Remembering" our loved ones.** Donations will be used toward the following Nativity and Theophany items: Flowers, Candles, and Altar Supplies. Please complete the form included in your November mailing and return to the church office. Additional forms are available in the church office.

Advent is our preparation to COME AND SEE Christ, the man, born in a manger on the Feast of His Nativity. When we come to Church and hear the hymns of the Pre-Feasts and the Feasts we are invited to COME AND SEE a little further like Nathaniel did. We are invited to see Him as the Son of God. We will see Him as the Son of God in the Feast of His manifestation, the Theophany. The word Theophany means the manifestation or the making of God known. To do this requires hard spiritual preparation. We cannot see this with our physical eyes. We see it only by the grace of the Holy Spirit through our "spiritual eyes." If we participate in the pagan celebrations that are going on in the world around us, our spiritual eyes will be blind and we will not recognize Jesus and who He is. Because it is a fasting period, our preparation consists of three important things: prayer, fasting and almsgiving, and coming to church for Liturgy. Why do we fast? Doesn't this make us miserable? It will if we fast for the wrong reason. We fast to help us realize that the excess of things we lust, or want very badly, are not really necessary for life here in this world and surely not necessary for eternal life in the Kingdom of God. When we are always busy chasing after the material things, food and fun, we forget about God, His Son, Jesus, the Church and what the real purpose of our life is. We are too busy satisfying ourselves with those things. Running after food and drink, entertainment, watching TV, going to movies, parties, etc. steers us away from thinking about God, His incarnate Son and our salvation. Fasting from those things turns our attention to the more important things such as: CHRIST AND WHO HE IS; WHAT HIS COMING MEANS TO ME; WHAT HIS CHURCH IS ALL ABOUT? WHY I AM PART OF HIS CHURCH? WHY AM I HERE IN THIS WORLD? WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF MY LIFE? Fasting is a means to turn our attention to these and other spiritual things.

**STEWARDSHIP REMINDER!!-** Now that we are coming to the end of our fiscal year during difficult time of pandemic, we ask that all of our parishioners review their stewardship contributions to the church and if they have fallen behind, please take this opportunity to catch up. Your church depends on you! Our parish is assessed \$145 per adult member by the Diocese and the National Church (or 10% of our annual non-designated regular revenue) and this constitutes a minimal financial obligation per our by-laws to be considered a member of the parish. None of this \$145 assessment remains in the parish to support the work and ministries and outreach of our parish family. If you need a total of your contributions to date, please contact us at [sspeterandpauloffice@gmail.com](mailto:sspeterandpauloffice@gmail.com) or see Fr. Alexey. Thank you for your generosity!



*to all our visitors and guests who participate in our celebration of the Divine Liturgy! While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the Cross & receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. We invite all of our guests to join us for our Fellowship Hour & to visit our Bookstore.*

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