

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 Bill and Janet Allard, Helen Baburchak, Jessica Barton, Lydia Boras, Laura Chapin, Elaine Costello; Janet Cross; Bill Dranchak, Marilee Driggs, Anthony Gallis, Justin Garcia, Kristine Garner; Kathy Gregory; Marge and Bill Herciga; Stella Holowatch, Alicia Laskowski; Christopher and Hanna Mack, Linda Main; George Murphy, Alexander Newsom; Tanya Pylypciw, Janeel Rahman, Sheila Ransom, Mohamed Rawoof, Joni Mitchell, Ann Sawchak, Millie Sviatyla, Rachelle Vitale, Elayna Volock, Bob Wartonik, Valentina Yelangy, & 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.

ARCHBISHOP MICHAEL VISIT – SATURDAY JANUARY, 8TH & SUNDAY, JANUARY 9TH. During the Divine Liturgy on Sunday January 9th, our Fr. Timm Holowatch will be awarded one of the highest Priestly Awards – Jeweled Cross, by Archbishop Michael, on behalf of The Holy Synod of Bishops of The Orthodox Church in America. A Festive Luncheon will follow the Divine Liturgy. After Luncheon, our Sunday School Children will perform a Christmas Program – Yolka. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend as we honor FR. Timm! AXIOS, AXIOS, AXIOS! May God grant FR. Timm Many Blessed Years!

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL – will be held on Sunday, January 2nd. As usual, we encourage everyone to bring their holiday dish to share, come and enjoy fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ, and assist in clean-up after.

2021 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING SUNDAY, JANUARY 30th, 2022 immediately following Divine Liturgy. Everyone is encouraged to attend and to take part in charting the direction of the life of our church for the next year. Reports / Budgets are due before for the Annual Meeting by Monday, January 17, 2022.

HOUSE BLESSINGS - As is the Holy custom of our people during Theophany season, the houses of our parishioners will be blessed. If you would like Fr. Alexey or Fr. Timm to come and bless your house in January & February, please fill out the enclosed form and return to the Church Office or contact Fr. Alexey or Fr. Timm for a mutually convenient time.

THANK YOU! Special thanks to ALL of the workers who dedicated their time at the baking and cooking workshops for our Christmas Bake Sale, and to all the people who participated in any way to make this another successful fundraiser. The Profit was over \$4,000. Thank you and God Bless you all!!!

REMINDER: 2022 WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE MAILED TO YOUR HOMES ON A QUARTERLY BASIS! If you cannot find your envelopes, please notify someone in the church office. 2022 Calendars are also available in the vestibule of the church.

The presence of Christ can be felt in every church, no matter how large or how small. Orthodox Christians, however, must realize that His Divine Presence in the world extends far beyond the walls of our various houses of worship. Before ascending into heaven, Jesus told His Apostles: "LO, I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN TO THE END OF THE AGES." (Matthew 28:20) Our Savior has kept that promise to all of us. He is with us in sickness and suffering with His **HEALING PRESENCE**. He is with us when we battle the temptations of the devil with His **STRENGTHENING PRESENCE**. He is with us when death takes away a loved one with His **COMFORTING PRESENCE**. He is with us when we struggle with moral decisions in our lives with His **REASSURING PRESENCE**. Yes, God is always with us -- He is only a prayer away! Our Lord desires to be with those who desire to be with Him. In the words of the saintly Bishop Nikolai Velimirovic, "Christ is the Light that is ever present to the eyes of those who look for Him." He comes to meet us - do we go to meet Him?



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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