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**SERVICES January 21, 2018 - January 28, 2018**

Sunday, January 21, 2018.....9:00 am – Hours; 9:30 am – Divine Liturgy; Sunday School; Coffee Hour;  
Adult Study/Bible Study

Wednesday, January 24, 2018.....6:00 pm – Healing Service

Saturday, January 27, 2018.....5:00 pm - Vespers

Sunday, January 28, 2018.....9:00 am – Hours; 9:30 am – Divine Liturgy; Sunday School; ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

**JANUARY 21, 2018**

**EPISTLE: 1 TIMOTHY 4:9-15**

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. These things command and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.

**GOSPEL: LUKE 19:1-10**

Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, “Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house.” So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, “He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner.” Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold.” And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

**NEXT WEEK: JANUARY 28, 2018 2 TIMOTHY 3:10-15 LUKE 18:10-14**

**BE ALL THAT GOD WANTS YOU TO BE**

Every parish is a community of believers – a family of worshippers – dedicated to serving the Lord and carrying His gospel to the world. If every church is the “dwelling place of the living God”, why is it that some flourish while others struggle for survival? Why are some churches filled with life, while others have the definite appearance of “whitened sepulchers”? It can be said that the success or failure of any given congregation corresponds with the effort that its members exert in making their parish an extension of God’s Kingdom here on earth.

God has placed certain talents into each of our hands, and He expects us to use them for His greater glory and for the advancement of His Holy Church. It is our sacred duty to realize exactly what the Lord has called us to do in terms of using our God-given abilities. Some have been called to be PRIESTS. Others have been blessed with the ability to SING. Others have a talent for TEACHING. Still others may have a gift for ORGANIZING and LEADING in a parish setting.

May we all identify our individual strengths and put them to use in our particular church. We cannot “bury” them like the foolish servant in Christ’s famous “Parable of the Talents”. May we be guided by St. Paul’s words to the Christian community in Rome: “We have many members in one body, and all of the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ. Having different gifts, then, according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them.”

January 21, 2018

**PRAYER LIST :** We offer our prayers for all of our shut-ins who are unable to attend church services, especially: **Pauline Russell, Vera Tatusko and William Tellep Jr.**

Also offer your prayers for those in need especially **Vladimir Alexeev, Helen Baburchak, Lawrence Barlow, Matushka Joanna Bohush, Lydia Boras, Laura Chapin, David Davies, Nadine Dranchak, Thanos Fotiou, Kathy Gregory; Marge Herciga, Natalie Kostyshak, Ann Koval, Emelia Kulikowski, Robert Kushner, Alicia Laskowski; Linda Main; George Murphy, Tanya Pylypciw, Janeel Rahman, Sheila Ransom, Joni Mitchell, Jeannie Sura; Millie Sviatyla, Dorothy Tarasevich, Arlene Tatusko, Rachelle Vitale, Elaine Volock, Olga Warski & 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. **Thank you!**



**MEMORY ETERNAL!** We offer our condolences to:

- Bob and Rita Kushner & Family on the falling asleep in the Lord of Rita's sister, **Sonia Johnson.**
- Sandra Zona & Family on the falling asleep in the Lord of her aunt, **Alberta McHenry.**
- Don and Deanne Johnston & Family on the falling asleep in the Lord of Don's father, **Don Johnston.**

**MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL!**



**COFFEE HOUR:** Come downstairs and socialize with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Today: Tamara Sytnik, Ludmila Boychenko, Natalia Nikulin, Vera Yaremko, Marina Pomukchynsky

Jan 28: **ANNUAL MEETING**

Feb. 4: Rita Kushner, Nadine Fedones, Anne Sawchak, Ellen Baxendale, Patty & Dave Deamond

Feb. 11: Babe Farbanish, Nettie Lukovich, Connie Devine, Natalie Kostyshak, Sister Macrina

**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 form enclosed in your January Monthly Bulletin and return it to the Church Office or contact Fr. Alexey or Fr. Timm for a mutually convenient time.

**2018 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2018 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.

**PLEASE NOTIFY OUR CHURCH OFFICE OF ANY ADDRESS, PHONE # OR EMAIL CHANGES TO OUR MAILING LIST. THERE IS A FORM IN THE OFFICE AND ON THE STAND IN THE VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH.**



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 for our Fellowship Hour & to visit our Bookstore.

**NOTE:** Our new website has been constructed, updated and ready to use: [ssppeny.org](http://ssppeny.org)

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