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**Christos Razdajetsja!
Slavite Jeho!**



Sunday, December 22, 2019

Gospel: St. Matthew 1:1-254

Tone 1

Epistle: Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40

27th Sunday after Pentecost

Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ / Sunday before the Nativity

Greatmartyr Anastasia & her Companions

DECEMBER Bulletin Sponsor: NONE

Liturgical & Events Schedule

Sunday, December 22

9:05 am: Hours followed by social / Change Altar Linens

Monday, December 23

6:30 pm: Royal Hours for Christmas

Tuesday, December 24

2:00 pm: Christmas Eve Vigil followed by Christmas Carols

Wednesday, December 25

9:25 am: Hours followed by C followed by Christmas Carols

12:30 pm: First Annual Christmas Dinner for Community

Saturday, December 28

4:00pm: Great Vespers

Sunday, December 29

9:30 am: Hours followed by Divine Liturgy / social

PRAY FOR OUR CATECHUMENS

Rachael Adamcio

Luke Welch

Tristen Welch

Lydia Welch

Jake Muscaro

Possible Catechumens:

Loreen Welch

Cheyenne Welch

May God & the Holy Spirit guide them in their journey in the Orthodox Church and the Orthodox way of Life.

VIGILS- DECEMBER 8

Laura Kovach (3) Health of Joe H, Joe R, Margi, Mark, Lisa, Chuck, Bohdi, Steve, Julia, Betty; Birthday blessings to Ben and Tina; Safe travel for family

Sandy Martin (2) Birthday blessings and health to Joe; Special intentions

Jim Mazur(2) Health of family and friends

Darlene, Nick & Gabe Mazurik (1) Special intentions

David & Roddie Mazurik (5) Safe travel; In memory of Uncle Junior; In memory of Nancy's mother; Health and Blessings for Debbie, Marc and Mom & Dad

Ron & Bobbie Royhab (1) In loving memory of Therese Liesenfelt

Twarek (6) Birthday blessings to Tina; Health and recovery of Matushka Melania; Health and recovery of Chuck , Steve, Bohdi, Jim, Joe Habegger, Nancy, Heidi, Judy, Liz, Christine, MaryAnn and Bob, Joe, Sonya, Julia, Diane, Stella, Ron, Becky, Jake, Helen; Special intentions; Special intentions; Special intentions

DECEMBER

Cleaners

Readers

Social

8 Marguerite Tim *Open*

15 Open Ron *Open*

22 Fred & Terry Wayne *Open*

29 Basil & Tim Natalie *Open*



ATTENDANCE - DECEMBER

Sunday December 1: 33 total (23 members; 1 non-member reg. ; 4 children; 5 guests; 18 communicants; No Vespers)

Thursday, December 5: 13 Attended Vespers

Sunday, December 8: 22 Total (19 members; 2 non-member reg.; 1 child; 12 communicants; 9 attended Vespers)

Sunday, December 15: 24 Total (16 members; 1 non-reg. Member; 3 children; 4 guests; 13 Communicants; No number for Vespers taken)

OTHER WEEKLY INCOME

Sunday, December 1: \$16 for candles; \$90 for Vigils; \$25 Eternal Light & Icon Screen; \$60 Special Collection Hospice

Sunday, December 8: \$19 for candles; \$80 Vigils

Sunday, December 15: \$20 Candles; \$50 Altar Candles; \$70 Vigils; \$135 Special Collection Hospice; \$165 Christmas Flowers; \$71 Bookstore; \$5,000 Anonymous Gift

MONTHLY TITHING ONLY NOVEMBER

Goal Pledged per month: \$4,100

Sunday, December 1: \$847
Sunday, December 8: \$801
Sunday, December 15: \$497

CANDLE / BULLETIN SPONSORS FOR DECEMBER

Bulletin: (\$50) OPEN

Chandelier: (\$50) Elchisco Family: In loving memory of mom Helen Elchisco

Altar Candles: (\$50) Jean: Health of the Hilema family & all the blessings received during the year

Candles on the tomb: (\$25) Diane: In loving memory of Aunt Marion & Uncle Norm

Eternal Light & Icon Screen: (\$25) Jean: In memory of her father William Pipenur

40 DAY REMEMBRANCE

December 1: 3 soldiers killed in training in GA

December 8: Serge Mihaly Jr, / John McDonald

December 15: Detective from Dayton / Mike Chemorov

December 22: CA school shooting, San Diego shooting; FF Jas from MA

December 29: Fresno shooting; Police officer killed in Detroit, Nick Hunt / Francis Zatorsky, Paulette; Sheriff in Alabama

January 12: Shooting victims from Pearl Harbor & FL Naval stations

January 19: Mary (Marika) Lefas; Jersey City shooting victims; Police officer killed in NJ

CHRISTMAS DAY MEAL



Have you ever spent a holiday alone at home? Many people do. Depression tends to increase for many during the holidays.

Holy Assumption Orthodox Church will be sponsoring a Christmas Day meal. Location: the church social hall. Further details to come. Fr. Andrew will be organizing, cooking and serving the event.

CANDLE / BULLETIN SPONSORS FOR JANUARY

Bulletin: (\$50) Fr. Andrew In memory of my Dad, George

Chandelier: (\$50) Fr. Andrew for the Health of my Spiritual Father, James on his 51st Anniversary to the Holy Priesthood

Altar Candles: (\$50) OPEN

Candles on the tomb: (\$25) OPEN

Eternal Light & Icon Screen: (\$25) OPEN

THANK YOU

No words can express our thanks to the Anonymous Donor of \$5,000 to our parish. May God grant you many happy and blessed years!

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PRAYER LIST Updated 12-19

Clergy:

His Beatitude, Metropolitan Theodosius
His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman
John Duranko (*Father's home pastor*)
James Gleason (*Father's Spiritual Father*)
Moses Barry
Joseph Gibson
Gregory Grivna
Emilian Hutnyan
Josef Von Klarr
Vladimir Lecko
Myron Manzuk
Christopher Phillips
Peter Tutko
Deacon Paul Gansle
Deacon Gregory Krutchak
Deacon Paul Mitchell
Deacon Mark Sauskojus
Sub-deacon Wylie Meath

Matushkii:

Pani Patricia Duranko
Melania Adamcio
Virginia Lecko
Glenda Madlom
Snezana Ruzic
Sonya Tutko
Victoria Kopistiansky

Parishioners / & their Family:

John Beadle (*Elcishko*)
MaryAnn Cook (*Cousin to Twarek's*)
John Richard Elchisco
Ruthe Flewelling
Debbie Garnek (*Roddie's sister*)
Michael Glovinsky (*Basil's nephew*)
Heidi Golob
Ernest Gresh (*Basil's nephew*)
Shirley Gresh (*Wife of Ernest*)
Aldin Griffith (*Soski*)
Julia Guzy
Joseph Habegger (*Laura brother-in-law*)
Tom Hileman
Alice Jackson (*Mazurik*)
William Jappsen (*Diane T.*)
Michael Kouznetsov (*Mary Hiser's son*)
Kristen (*Cassell's daughter*)
David LaValle (*Fr.'s cousin*)

Helen Lis
Greg Mazur
Judy Mazurik (*Paul Mazurik's*)
Baby Stella Miller
Katelyn Pipenur (*Niece of Jean*)
Earl Rindfleisch
Helen Jean Rofkar (*Elchisco*)
Margaret Rose
Steven Schirtzinger (*Soski*)
Christy Schutt (*Joe's sister*)
Peter Truta (*Jean H's cousin*)
Diane Tryon
Greg Tryon
Christine Twarek
Tom Tawrek
Carter Tawrek
Katie and her newborn Bodhi
(*Cassell's daughter-in-law*)
Pani Stacey Mihaley & her
unborn baby

Other Requests:

Alexia
Dick Biro (*Natalie's friend*)
Anna Burch (*Wayne's friend*)
Mike Cinalli (*Schutt*)
Ben Franklin (*Laura friend*)
Theodore Geletka
(*St. Michael Broadview Heights'*
choir director)
Brad George (*Christi's friend*)
Donald Gresh (*Basil*)
Elliot Joy (*Police chief's son*)
Scott Kluding (*Twarek*)
Tommy Leonchik (*Fr's friend*)
Jake Lipstraw (*Twarek*)
Mark Ludvik (*Guzy*)
Anna Maiani (*Friend of Wayne*)
Pauline Meath (*Fr's*)
Charlie Nowak (*Avery's*)
Debbie Pribanic (*Golob*)
Beth Reinhard (*Diane friend*)
Sandy Scafaria (*friend of Jean*)
Scott Smith (*Sammy friend*)
Matthew Sterling (*Tyron*)
Janice Timko
Philip (*Andy*) Timko
Steve Turinsky (*Twarek*)
Chuck Wiedenhoft (*Twarek*)

Rachel (*Darlene M.*)
Tracy (Cassell)
Christopher (Bishop
Paul)Devon (Bishop Paul)
Marissa (Bishop Paul)
Nathan (Bishop Paul)
Kristina and her unborn baby
(Fr. Friend)

Military:

Craig Cassell
Nathan Brown

Captives:

Metropolitan Paul
(*Orthodox Archdiocese of
Aleppo*)
Archbishop John
(*Syriac Archdiocese of
Aleppo*)

The UN & IOCC humanitar-
ian aid workers in & around
Syria; Those suffering perse-
cution in Iraq, Syria, Israel,
Egypt, Ukraine and through-
out the world

*NOTE: Please let Fr. Andrew
know when someone needs to
go on or come off the list.*

For Your Prayers

Julia Guzy (96 yrs old)
1601 Church Rd
Marblehead, OH 43440

Please remember her & Susan
(her daughter) in your prayers.
Send a card of greeting.

In Memoriam: The Tenth Anniversary of the Repose of Archbishop Job

Wednesday, December 18, 2019, marks the tenth anniversary of the repose of His Eminence, Archbishop Job of Chicago and the Midwest. The Faithful of the Diocese of the Midwest are asked to remember him in their prayers.

Archbishop Job was born Richard John Osacky in Chicago on March 18, 1946. He completed university studies at Northern Illinois University and, after graduating from Saint Tikhon's Seminary, South Canaan, PA, in 1970, he served as cantor and youth director at Saint John the Baptist Church, Black Lick, PA. Concurrently, he assumed responsibilities in leading Reader Services, conducting religious education and youth work, and painting icons. It was his extraordinary affinity with Orthodox youth that gained him the recognition of the Church at large.

In 1973, he was ordained to the diaconate and subsequently to the priesthood by Bishop Theodosius of Pittsburgh [later Metropolitan Theodosius]. He was assigned to the parish in Black Lick, where he also served as spiritual director for the Orthodox Christian Fellowship at nearby Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

As a celibate priest, he maintained a zeal for the monastic life in all his endeavors. In 1975 he was made a riasaphor monk, and later was tonsured a monk in the Lesser Schema by [then] Bishop Herman in August of 1982. In November of that year he was elevated to the rank of archimandrite.

Recognizing his zeal and spirit of dedication to Church service, the Diocese of New England nominated Hieromonk Job as their diocesan bishop. The Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America ratified the nomination and elected him Bishop of Hartford and the Diocese of New England. He was consecrated to the episcopacy on January 29, 1983, at All Saints Church in Hartford, CT.

At its session of November 5, 1992, the Holy Synod of Bishops elected Bishop Job to the See of Chicago and the Diocese of the Midwest, which had been vacant since the retirement of Bishop

Boris in 1988. He was enthroned as Bishop of his native city at Holy Trinity Cathedral on February 6, 1993.

In his years in the See of Chicago, the Diocese of the Midwest experienced tremendous growth. This was witnessed in—but certainly not limited to—the establishment of numerous new mission parishes in the diocese.

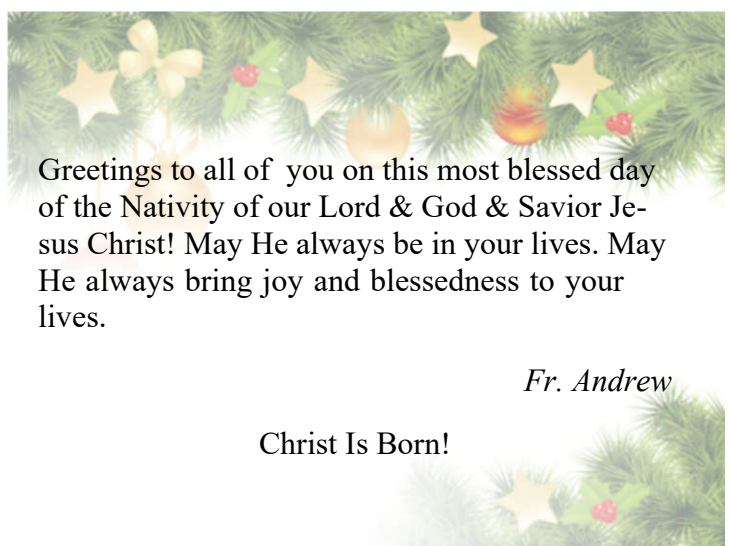
In addition to his ministry as the ruling hierarch of the Diocese of the Midwest, he enjoyed his long-standing and excellent reputation as an iconographer and iconologist. He was often called upon to offer lectures on this subject, and he was willing to assist and encourage other iconographers.

In recognition of his over two decades of “good and faithful” service as archpastor, at the March 2004 Session of the Holy Synod, Bishop Job was elevated to the rank of Archbishop.

Archbishop Job fell asleep in the Lord unexpectedly On Friday, December 18, 2009 en route from Cleveland to Chicago. He is interred on the grounds of Saint John the Baptist Church, Black Lick, PA.



May Archbishop Job's memory be eternal!



December Celebrations

ANNIVERSARY	BIRTHDAY	BIRTHDAY
12-5-2004: Archbishop Mark of Philadelphia 12-19-1971: Retired Bishop Seraphim of Sendai 21- Ed & Irene Vangeloff 27- James & Lauren Jerome 12-27-2014: Bishop Paul of Chicago 31- Justin & Jessica Issler 31- Fred & Christi Soski	1-Ileana Bruner 1- Thomas Mcdonald 1- Holly Mesavage 3-Police officer Chris Suppelsa 4- Mat.Ksenia Bruner 4- Chris Lariccia 4- Steven Calzone 5- Mat. Laryissa Bremer 6- Mat. Susan Northrup 8- Joe Rose 9- Pauline Meath 9- Angie Dardovsky	11- Tina Rindfleisch 11- Emmelyn Monschein 12- Rowan Issler 13- Gabe Mazurik 15- Terri Lariccia 17- Tim Heffernan 23- Teri Cassell 25- Darlene Mazurik 28- Carol Mazurik 30- Jeff Stokely 30- Christina Adzima

If there are those names to be added or removed, please contact Fr. Andrew. He would like to list all members of your family Orthodox and non-Orthodox.

December Celebrations

1-Helen Elchisco (1990)	19- Edward Malchisky (2001)	26- Fr. Robert Sally (2002)
3- Mary Hubicki (2013)	20- Julia Brosojah Millie (1953)	26-- Julia Malchisky (1971)
8- Bill Soltis (2014)	20- John Mazurik (2017)	29- Alexandra Dotsenko (1980)
8- Mary (Marika) Lefas (2019)	20- William Pipenur (2003)	30- Bishop Boris (2000)
12- Anna Bretz (2002)	21- Mary Sennich (1985)	30- Rita Felenchak (1996)
13- Joseph Mazurik (1986)	22- Antonima Vecsey (1972)	31- Jevgeny Cernonok (1980)
13- Archimandrite Seraphim Ob- livantseff (1954) Former Pastor	23- Steven Danchisen (1982)	31- Hermenegildo Guerrero (2018)
15- Michael W. Belenky (1971)	23- Fr. David Sedor (2008)	Peter Onyock (1952)
18- Archbishop Job (2009)	24- Alexandra Turkul (1980)	Anna Mazurik (1968)
	24- John Bird	

BUILDING / RESTORATION FUND

Our 125th Anniversary is coming!

Fund Purpose: To collect funds to pay for the restoration, repair and beautification of the building and parish room. This will avoid using general funds which are earmarked for budgetary items.

Please consider contributing generously to the *Building/Restoration Fund.*



Beautiful Christmas ornament featuring the Holy Family

For sale in our bookstore.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, Dec. 25: Christmas Meal provided for Community (See Fr. Andrew to participate)

Sunday, Jan. 5: Holy Night Supper for Theophany (See Terri for info.)

Saturday, Jan 11: 2nd Annual Blessing of the Lake (See Rachael for more info)

Preparing Kids for Being Away from Home

There are various points in life when a child deals with being away from home. There is the first day of Pre-school or Kindergarten if you do not home school. There is the first time going to camp and being away for a week. There is a teenager's first unsupervised drive away from home for an out-of-state visit. Finally, there is the time when kids move away to college. These are the normal experiences of everyday life, and I am sure many have no problems handling these things. However, we all carry some form of baggage in our life that sometimes makes it hard to address these issues. I would like to take a couple of weeks to talk about these issues and hopefully give you something to think about.

Getting your child ready for kindergarten or preschool

It is not unusual for children to experience some form of separation anxiety when starting school or going to camp. However, once you get through that, isn't it amazing how your child's behavior can change for the better when your day-to-day experience of him is different? Children may rebel or test the limits of parental authority in everyday life, but when they go to school, they can also fit into the program and be compliant with the authority and with their peer group. How can my child behave so well in school when they can be so bad with me? This is a common scenario that can happen, but it is not the only one. Sometimes a child does not make the transition from home to school successfully and acts out at school, which may be due to separation anxiety. So what can parents do to lessen the likelihood of this happening? I will attempt to provide some answers in next week's note.

The blessing of the Lord be upon you,
The unworthy +Paul



Metropolitan Tikhon Prepares to Celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Reception of the Tomos of Autocephaly and the Canonization of St. Herman

On the evening of Thursday, December 12, and the early morning of December 13, His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon celebrated the All-night Vigil followed immediately by the Divine Liturgy for the feast of [Our Venerable Father Herman of Alaska, the Wonderworker and Equal-to-the-Apostles](#), at St. Sergius Chapel at the Chancery of the Orthodox Church in America.

Metropolitan Tikhon celebrated these services as part of his own spiritual preparation for the [upcoming fiftieth anniversaries](#) of the Reception of the [Tomos of Autocephaly](#) from the venerable Russian Orthodox Church, and the Canonization of St. Herman, which the Orthodox Church in America will [celebrate throughout next year](#). Concelebrating with His Beatitude were His Eminence Archbishop Michael of New York and New Jersey, Secretary of the Holy Synod, and Rector of [St. Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary](#) [STOTS]; Archpriest Alexander Rentel, Chancellor of the Orthodox Church in America; Archpriest Chad Hatfield, President of [St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary](#) [SVOTS]; Archpriest John Parker III, Dean of STOTS; Archpriest John Klingel, Rector of St. Andrew Church, Dix Hills, NY; Archpriest David Mezynski, Director of Formation at SVOTS and Priest Alexander Revyuk, Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Brooklyn, NY. Chancery staff, seminarians, and local faithful also accompanied His Beatitude in his preparation for these milestone events in the life of the Orthodox Church in America. Archpriest Alexander Rentel said about this event, "By his example, His Beatitude exhorts all the faithful of the Orthodox Church in America to celebrate the upcoming anniversaries in prayer, ascetic effort, and above all by a renewal of faith in Jesus Christ who is glorified and made manifest in St. Herman of Alaska."

A photo gallery is available on the OCA [website](#) and [Facebook page](#).

Hebrews 11:9-10, 17-23, 32-40 (Epistle)

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.

**Archpastoral Message of His
Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon
Nativity of Our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ**
To the Honorable Clergy, Venerable Monastics, and
Pious Faithful of the Orthodox Church in America,
My Beloved Brethren and Blessed Children in the
Lord,
Christ is born! Glorify Him!

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CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

\$18.00 each

Purchase a flower *in memory of* or *in honor of*, your loved ones. All persons will be remembered during the Great Entrance on Christmas Morning.

Fr. Andrew: 5

- For the health of all the parishioners & their families
- For the health of all his family & friends
- For the health of all Firefighters & first responders especially the Summit, IL Fire Department, Danbury Twp Firefighters, Marblehead Police Department and Coast Guard Station
- For the health of all my godchildren
- In memory of His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas, my parents George & Dorothy and all my family and friends, as well as all those on the diptychs of this parish.

Twarek Family: 2

- For the health of family & friends
- In loving memory of our parents, grandparents & all departed family & friends

Martin Family- 2

- For the health of family & friends
- In loving Memory of family & friends

Hileman Family- 6

- For the health of grandchildren: Hayden, Rowan, Silas, William, Maxwell & Joey

Guzy Family- 3

- For the health of mom Julia & family & friends
- In loving memory of the Guzy & Felenchak family

Glovinsky Family- 5

- In loving memory of Glovinsky, Monak, Yuhas, Benya and Kaperak Families

Karen Muzyka Family- 3

- In honor of the Leonchik & Muzyka Families
- In memory of the Leonchik & Muzyka Families
- For Fr. Andrew & our friends and parishioners of Holy Assumption