Sunday Bulletin January 22nd 2023 – The Holy Theophany of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ BAPTISM OF THE LORD



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We invite you to a celebration of the Resurrection of Christ each week.

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BAPTISM OF THE LORD

The First Antiphon

When Israel went forth from Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language, (*Ps. 113:1*) *Refrain:***Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!**

Judah became His sanctuary, Israel His dominion. *Refrain* The sea looked and fled; Jordan turned back. *(Ps. 113:3) Refrain* What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? O Jordan, that you turned back? *(Ps. 113:5) Refrain* Glory, now and ever Amen.

Refrain

The Second Antiphon

I love the Lord because He has heard my voice and my supplication. (*Ps. 114:1*)

Refrain: O Son of God, baptized in the Jordan, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live. (*Ps. 114:2*)

Refrain

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish, then I called on the Name of the Lord.

(Refrain

Gracious and righteous is the Lord; our God is merciful. (Ps. 114:5) Refrain

Glory, now and ever, Amen.

("Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God ... ")

The Third Antiphon



O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever. (Ps. 117:1)

Tone 1 Troparion When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made <u>man</u>ifest. For the <u>voice</u> of the Father bore <u>wit</u>ness to You, and called You His be<u>lov</u>ed Son; and the <u>Spir</u>it in the form of a <u>dove</u> confirmed the <u>truth</u>fulness of His word. O <u>Christ</u> our God, You have re<u>vealed</u> Yourself// and have enlightened the world, <u>glo</u>ry to You.

Let the house of Israel now confess that the Lord is good; for His mercy endures forever. Troparion of the Feast

Let the house of Aaron now confess that the Lord is good; for His mercy endures forever. Troparion of the Feast

Let those who fear the Lord now confess that the Lord is good; for His mercy endures forever. *Troparion of the Feast*

Entrance Verse

Priest: Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord; God is the Lord and He has revealed Himself to us. (*Ps. 117:25b-26*)

Troparion of the Feast

Glory, now and ever, Amen.

Tone 4 Kontakion

Today You have shone forth to the <u>world</u>, O Lord, and the light of Your countenance has been <u>marked</u> on us. Knowing You, we sing Your <u>prais</u>es:"You have come and re<u>vealed</u> Yourself,// O unap<u>proachable Light."</u>

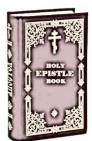
(Instead of the Trisagion) As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia!

Tone 4 Prokeimenon

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord. / God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us. (*Ps. 117:26b, 27b*)

V. O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever. (Ps. 117:1)

The Reading is from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to Titus



For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works. But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared/ not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the

washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Alleluia and Verses Tone 4

V. Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord young rams. (Ps. 28:1a)
V. The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord is upon many waters. (Ps. 28:3)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



The reading is from the Gospel according to St. Mattew

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. And John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?" But Jesus answered and said to him, "Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he allowed Him. When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove

and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

(Instead of "It is truly meet...," we sing:)

Magnify, O my soul, the most pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable than the heavenly hosts!



No tongue knows how to praise you worthily, O Theotokos; even angels are overcome with awe praising you.

But since you are good, accept our faith; for you know our love inspired by God! You are the defender of Christians, and we magnify you.

Communion Hymn

The grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men. (*Titus 2:11*) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

MEMORY ETERNAL



Roberta Lynn Canyo, Pani-matka Sonia Diakiw, Dorothy Hutnyan, Joe Ewanish, Michael Woloschak, James Bobersky, Audrey Racz, Rev Fr Gregory Becker, Mary Ann, Mary Ann Owens, John Nicholas Visa, Alexandra Prychodczenko, Kateryna, Ihor Deyak, Thomas, Caterina Ulrich,

All Who died during the war in Ukraine

PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING, COMFORT, AND SPIRITUAL PEACE



Metropolitan Antony, Archbishop Daniel, Kathy Battisti, Arlene Hawryluk, Marilyn O`Leary, John & Helen Yurchyk , Dolly Mehalco, Tom Lane, Tom Drabick, George, Ashley Woloschak, Alice Dobransky, Brittany, Barbara McGirr, Harold Owens, Dave Zylka, Marianne Carmack, Nicholas Yurchyk, Pauline Witkowsky, Eileen Maluk, Peter Anderson, Mary Ann Senediak, Albert Auden, Michael Gino Maluk, Boris & Kathleen Vuksanovich, Mykola Prychodczenko, Kathy Zebel,

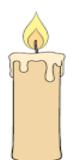
People Suffering from the Corona Virus

All Ukrainian people who are suffering from the war

+ PRIEST VISITATION To request a priest visitation to bring the Holy Communion or to Anoint with the Holy Oil please contact Father Mykola at 330 799 3830.

OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD AS OF	On January 15
General:	\$ 1489.00
Renovation:	\$ 173.00
Online Donations on Tithe.ly	\$ 70.00

God bless everyone according to their deeds!



Roberta Lynn Canyo, 71, passed away

peacefully, Wednesday morning, January 11, 2023, at The Suites at Continuing Health Care in Niles



Roberta was born March 10, 1951, a daughter of

the late Frank and Pauline Stahara. Canyo was a lifelong area resident.

She was a member of Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

Roberta will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Her sister, Paula Canyo, preceded her in death.

Roberta was buried on Friday, January 20, 2023, at Sts. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Cemetery in Youngstown. Vichnaya Pamyat`

Memoru Eternal!



It is with a profound sense of our own loss - yet in the inextinguishable light of peace and mercy that is the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ - that we inform the faithful of our Holy Metropolia of the passing from this life of the servant of God Protopresbyter WILLIAM DIAKIW,

pastor-emeritus of Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Lyndora, PA.

Schedule of the Funeral Services: Friday, January 27, 2023 Visitation Hours: Noon-2pm & 4:30pm-7pm Funeral Service for a Priest - 7pm

at Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church 21 Evergreen and Arbor Streets Lyndora, PA 16045

Saturday, January 28, 2023

Divine Liturgy and Conslusion of the Funeral - 10am Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Internment at North Cemetery at North Main Street Butler, PA 16001 Memorial Luncheon following at the Ukrainian Hall by the Church.





Liturgical Schedule & Feast Days

Please contact Fr Mykola to schedule Prayer Services - 330-799-3830

SERVICE AND FEAST DAY SCHEDULE

- Sunday, Jan 22, 9:30 AM–Divine Liturgy 32nd Sunday. THE HOLY THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. BAPTISM OF THE LORD. Blessing of Water at the Mill Creek Park at 3PM
- Sunday, Jan 29, 9:30 AM–Divine Liturgy **33rd Sunday**.
- Sunday, Feb 5, 9:30 AM–Divine Liturgy Sunday of Publican and Pharisee Youth Sunday
- Sunday, Feb 12, 9:30 AM–Divine Liturgy Sunday of Prodigal Son
- Sunday, Feb 19, 9:30 AM–Divine Liturgy Meatfare Sunday, of Last Judgment
- Sunday, Feb 26, 9:30 AM–Divine Liturgy Cheasefare Sunday, of Forgiveness BEGINNING OF THE GREAT LENT

Upcoming dates & events

- After Jan 19- Blessing of the Houses after the Theophany
- Jan 22 **Prayer for the Unborn Children** at 5025 East Mill Road Broadview Heights at 6PM
- Jan 22 Blessing of Water at the Mill Creek Park with other Orthodox Parishes, Sunday, Jan 22 at 3PM.
- Jan 28 Malanka at Sts Peter & Paul. 6PM At the center
- Jan 11 <u>CHANGED:</u> "100 Anniversary" meeting at the center
- Feb 5 Youth Sunday
- Starting Feb **Coffee Hour.** Downstairs in the Church after Sunday Liturgy starting in February.
- Feb 27 Beginning Of The Great Lent
- Mar 18 **UOL Lenten Retreat** (time & location to be determined)

RENTALS

For rentals (Orthodox Center or Pavillion) please call - 330 774 4490 Walter

Semi annual coffee drive for bingo... All donations are very much appreciated!



Getting to know our Sunday School students better



Hello!

My name is Marcia Goodge

l am 13 years old.

My beloved parents are Zenia and Joe!

My favorite holiday is Christmas because I get to spend time with my family.

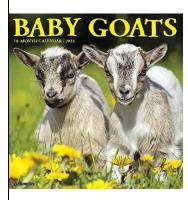
My hobby is dance.

I dream of dancing professionally one day.

One of my favorite memories is bringing my goats home when we got them because they rode in the car with us.

l like my church because l learn something new every time l go.

I also want you to know that I have performed in 10 shows of the Nutcracker since



I was 2 years old.

l have 2 goats, 2 rabbits, and chickens as pets.



I go to Lincoln Park Performing Arts Charter School.



On the Feast of Theophany we are doing the Blessing of Water.

You may bring your own bottles or jars to take it home.

Water will be available the following Sunday Jan 22 also.

Blessing of the Houses after the Theophany





During the days following

the Feast of the Theophany (January 19th), it is customary for the Priest to visit the homes of his parishioners, bringing with him the "Jordan Water" for the traditional Theophany House Blessing. All who reside in the household should make every effort to be present for the Blessing if possible. The home blessing at Theophany represents a

renewal of our lives in Christ. Washed in the baptismal

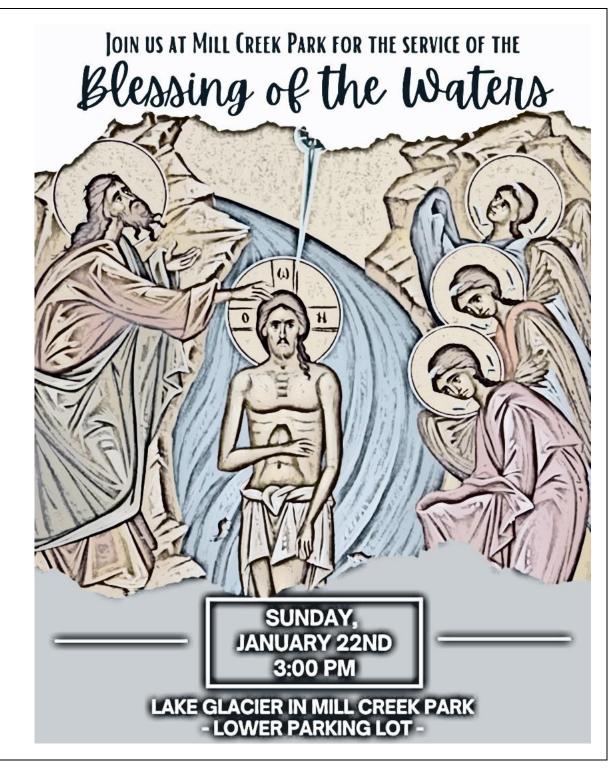
waters, our homes become temples of the Holy Spirit for the fulfillment of the will of our Heavenly Father and to protect us from every evil!

Please call Fr Mykola if you may not be home and certain time is needed for visitation.

Also, please notify if you moved to a new home - to schedule a full blessing of the house.



Please light a candle and prepare a small bowl for the blessing. I am looking forward to blessing your homes this years and many to come! Fr. Mykola



Our parishioner Gayle Woloschak in Volos Greece at the International Orthodox Theology Association!



We're proud of you, Gayle Woloschak! God bless your work and dedication for many years in good health!

We're glad to be back to our lovely renovated classrooms.



God bless all the donors and volunteers who made the renovation possible!

Q&A: WHAT DOES THEOPHANY MEAN?

The celebration of the Baptism of the Lord is also called Theophany (from <u>Ancient Greek</u> mweans "appearance of a deity") or the **Manifestation of God** because at the time of baptism God revealed Himself to people



as the Holy Trinity in this way: God the Father spoke from Heaven, the incarnate Son of God was baptized, and the Holy Spirit descended in as a dove. Also, at the time of baptism for the first time, people could see that in the person of Jesus Christ there appeared not only man but also God.

WHY DO WE BAPTISE IN THE CHURCH?

The Church shows the necessity of Baptism for believers in Christ, and it inspires us with a sense of deep gratitude for the illumination and purification of our sinful nature. The Church teaches that our salvation and cleansing from sin is possible only by the power of the grace of the Holy Spirit, therefore it is necessary to preserve worthily these gifts of the grace of holy Baptism, keeping clean this priceless garb, for "As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ" (Gal 3:27).



On the Theophany

taken from a sermon by St John Chrysostom

We now approach the day of Theophany, the day in which the divinity of Jesus is revealed to us through His baptism by John in the Jordan River. On this day we know Him as the Son of God who came for our salvation. Although one could argue that His birth should be seen as Theophany, up to this time Jesus was not known by many. As John the Baptist says at this event, "Amidst you stands Him Whom you know not of" (John 1:26). Therefore,

we call the day He was baptized Theophany because He became known to many at this time.

We can also see that this was the beginning of His work to create the path for our salvation with Baptism being the first step. Later He would establish the Church with its clergy where those who were joined with Him in baptism could continue to benefit from the grace filled sacraments.

Prior to this time there was a Jewish baptism which cleansed the body from impurities such as touching the bones of the dead, eating unclean foods, or being with lepers, but it did not remove sins. In Scripture it says, "Let one wash his body in pure water-and he will unclean until evening, and then he will be clean." (Lev 15:5, 22:4) This Jewish practice was a preparation of what was to come. The baptism that was established by Christ was much more as it was for the forgiveness of sins though the Holy Spirit and they were more than forgiven, they were absolved through grace. John the Baptist baptized those who repented of their sins but did not grant forgiveness through grace. Sins were not absolved through his baptism. John says, "I baptize you with water...That one however will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire" (Mat 3:11).

Jesus came to be baptized by John not because he needed to be forgiven His sins, being sinless, nor to receive the Holy Spirit, being one with the Spirit already, but to show us the path we are to take to be relieved of our sinfulness and to receive the Holy Spirit to abide within us. John's baptism in water was also a preparation so Christ would be known and so we could receive this sacrament. Because John was known as a prophet, his baptism of Christ had great meaning to the people so they would believe that Jesus was the Son of God.

On this day, as John baptized Jesus in the Jordan River, the Holy Spirit visibly descended in the form of a dove. St. John Chrysostom tells us that this descent as a dove was like a pointer. He says, "Did you see, that the Holy Spirit did not descend as in a first

time then coming down upon Him, but in order to point out that preached by His inspiration--as though by a finger, it pointed Him out to all."

We rejoice at this Theophany for Jesus showed us the way for our renewal to begin. He was announced as the Son of God for all to see, submitting to John's baptism with humility.



Jesus says, "Except you be converted and becomes children, you shall not enter into the Heavenly Kingdom." (Mat 18:3)

MALANKA

STS. PETER & PAUL UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

SAT, JANUARY 28, 2023

At the Ukrainian Orthodox Cultural Center at 1025 N Belle Vista Ave Youngstown, OH Doors open: 5:30 PM Festivities: 6:00 PM

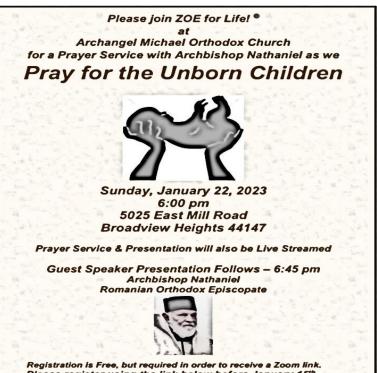
DINNER BUFFET*DANCING*OPEN BAR

FREE ENTRANCE

Donations for Ukrainian Relief will be appreciated Please sign your Name and Number of people on the "MALANKA signup sheet" in the back of the church. Or RSVP by calling Fr Mykola at 330 799 3830 by Sunday Jan 22

PYROHIES SALE SCHEDULE

JanuaryOrder by: Monday, January 23 - Special on this date: Spinach-Feta
Work date: January 25-26
Pick-up on: Friday, January 27, from 9:00 am – noonFebruaryOrder by: Monday, February 6 - Special on this date: Mushrooms
Work date: February 8-9
Pick-up on: Friday, February 10, from 9:00 am – noonPotato & Cheese, Potato Onion, Kraut or Potato & Kraut \$8.00 a dozenFor orders please CALL or TEXT:(234) 247–1534 Anna



Registration is Free, but required in order to receive a Zoom link Please register using the link below before January 15th https://forms.gle/MTqZdA4QkXMAF3wr8

Ukrainian Orthodox League of the USA

2023 Annual WPa/Ohio Lenten retreat

Creating a "Clean Heart" and

a "Right Spirit" Discernment vs. Judgment

Save the date MARCH 18, 2023

Continuing our Journey in Search of God

