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Vol. 79 No. 1839 **Sunday, December 11th, 2022**

The Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

The monk-Martyr Stephen the New

Divine Liturgy / Choir Sunday– 9:00 am Sunday School – 10:20 am

Panachida for +***Anna Evanisko*** offered by Andrew and Lucy Tomko;
+***Mark A. DeCoske*** offered by wife, Rose Ann and family
+***Michael Pavlik*** offered by Roger Pavlik;
+***John Buczak Jr***. offered by Fr Robert and Pani Kathy Buczak
+***Helena (Paulkova) Marcisakova*** offered by Kay and Nick Timko;
+***Anna Vensel-Knaze*** offered by Steve Knaze;
+***John Hobar*** offered by the family; +***George Stevens*** offered by the family;
+***Nancy Gaydos and Mary and Phillip Timko*** offered by the Timko family;
+***Mary & Stefan Stramanak*** offered by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Toth & Mr. & Mrs. Eli Pekich
+***Rudolf Gregory*** offered by Very Rev. Archpriest Dr. Alexander and Pani Kerry Ganzi

Resurrection Tone 1 - Tropar & Kondak 81-83

Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-19 Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

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SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR ALTAR BOYS – Today!

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Services for the week of December 11th

Wed. 12/14 … +Mary Czimbak offered by John Patchen; +John and Mary Polak offered by Anna Polak; and +John Kanuch offered by Donald Kanuch (Perpetual)……..8:00 am
Sat. 12/17 … Great Vespers.……6:00 pm

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St. Nicholas Day Fundraising Dinner for Christ the Saviour Seminary
Sunday December 18, 2022
Please use the sign-up sheet in the Cathedral Auditorium

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Choir practice Wednesday, December 14th @ 7:00 pm

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Sunday, December 18th, 2022

The Twenty-seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Saint Sabbas the Sanctified

Divine Liturgy / Choir Sunday– 9:00 am

Panachida for ***+William Ryan*** offered by the family; ***+Fr. John Baranik, +Don Konetsky, and +Colleen Pugh*** offered by Fr. Robert and Pani Kathy Buczak

+Charles and Elsie Arendas and Sandy Abele offered by the family; ***+Donna Yarina*** offered by Alberta and Scott Hanak; and ***+Michael J. Hanak*** offered by Ms. Joanne Potts; +Rudy Sochor offered by Mitch and Linda Altschuler and family; ***+Patti Horbal*** offered by husband, Gregory Horbal; +***Randy Horbal*** (1st Anniversary) offered by his family

Resurrection Tone 2 - Tropar & Kondak pages 84-86

Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-17 Gospel: Luke 17:12-19

St. Nicholas Day Fundraising Dinner for Christ the Saviour Seminary

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Monday December 19th, 2022

The Feast of St. Nicholas
The Wonderworker
Arch-Bishop of Myra in Lycia

Patronal Feast of the Carpatho-Rusyn People and the Diocesan Church Schools

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Tropar & Kondak: pages 123-127

Epistle: Hebrews 13:17-21

Gospel: Luke 6:17-23

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Services for the week of December 18th

Sat. 12/24 … No Vespers scheduled.

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Sunday, December 25th, 2022

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
The Sunday of the Holy Forefathers

Divine Liturgy - 9:00 am No Sunday School – 10:20 am

Panachida for ***+Caroline Dudak*** offered by John and Victor Zlataholva;

+Mary and George Semancik, Susan Semancik, Michael Dietzen and Martha Dietzen;

+Elaine Dutko (Birthday Remembrance) offered by Ann Melanie Yurcisin; ***+Michael Yazvak***; ***+Christina Simon***; and ***+Departed Cathedral Pastors: Father Andrew Zapatocky, Protopresbyter Joseph Mihaly, Protopresbyter John Miller, and Protopresbyter John Yurcisin.***

Resurrection Tone 3 – Tropar & Kondak: Pages 87-89

Epistle: Colossians 3:4-11 Gospel: Luke 14:16-24

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TRIVIA NIGHT REPORT

Gross income - $11,382.00 Expenses- $3,759.62

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THE ETERNAL LAMP – is offered this week in memory of ***+Michael Pavlik by Roger Pavlik***.

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THE ALTAR CANDLES – are offered today in memory of ***+Ann Homyak by Carole Devine***.

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BIRTHDAY PRAYERS – are offered this week for ***Candy Laichak (12/16), Courtney Matolyak (12/17), and Sandra Miloro (12/17).*** You were remembered today in the Proskomedia.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Candy Pick-up is Sunday December 18th at the Ed Center, Thanks to all who bought or sold candy. Kurtis Dutko was the top seller with over $600.00 of sales. Special thanks to chair-persons Justin and Amanda Dutko. No Sunday School for the next 4 weeks. Sunday School will resume classes on January 15th, 2023. January is designated for our "Souper Bowl" collection, Please place cans, dry packages, or packs of noodles on the Cathedral Auditorium Stage. The Sunday School wishes all parishioners a Blessed Spiritual Christmas. Never forget: The Reason for the Season is the Birth of Jesus our Saviour and Redeemer. – ***Dr. Louise Brudnak -Sunday School Director***

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FOR CONSIDERATION

It is fashionable to sin! By Saint Paisios the Athonite

If people did not have the "nobility" of sin, they would not have reached this barbarous state. Even more barbarous is moral degradation – people are physically and psychologically destroyed. Human beings have come down to the level of animals. You know what animals do when they enter the stable; they defecate and urinate. Then, as the manure ferments, they feel warm and comfortable, and don't want to move from where they are. It's the same with human beings. They feel comfortable of sin, and don't have the heart to leave. They smell the stench, but stay anyway. You see, if someone else were to come inside the stable, at first he would not be able to stand the stench; but those who are used to it are not bothered.

Today, people have turned sin into fashion. And the worst thing is that since sin has become so fashionable, when people see someone who has taken a different path, who avoids sin and is pious, they consider him old-fashioned and backward. For them, not to sin is an insult, while sin is considered progress. That is the worst thing of all. If those who lived in sin were to at least acknowledge their condition, God would have mercy on them. Instead, they justify the unjustifiable, by glorifying sin. This is the greatest blasphemy against the Holy Spirit: to consider sin progress, and morality backwardness. For this reason, those who struggle in the world to maintain a pure life will be greatly rewarded and prized.

In the old days, perverts and drunks would have been ashamed to appear in public because people would scorn them. A woman who had strayed even a little did not dare to come out of her house; and in a way, this was good, because it served as a form of restraint. These days, if someone is upright, for example, a young woman who lives a life of piety, people make fun of her: "Where does she think she's living?" But back then, in general, when people sinned, poor souls, they felt their sinfulness, bowed their head a bit and would not mock those who lived spiritual lives; on the contrary, they actually admired a devout person. Today, nobody feels guilty or shows respect. Everything has been levelled. If a person does not live according to the standards of the world, he is ridiculed.

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QUOTES FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

Fast before the Lord according to your strength, for to do this will purge you of your iniquities and sins; it exalts the soul, sanctifies the mind, drives away the demons, and prepares you for God's presence.

Evagrious the Solitary

In God's Church, simple, faithful and kind souls are like children in the house of the Heavenly Father. Here they are free and are totally at ease.

St. John of Kronstadt

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PRAYER CHAIN

Thomas Buczak
Cindy LaBarr
Annie Mishurda
Steve Martyak
Veronica Buczak
Jessica McLaughlin
Michael Sakmar
Joseph Muchesko
Roberta Kovalik
Theresa Milkovich
Kira Pronin
Alexxa Lowery
Romayne Laichak
Debbie Dawson
Zachary Rogina
Robert J. Gritzer
Ron Kuzmyak
Paul Kalcik
Henry Laichak
Beverly Tinkle
Ronald Kmet
Michael Derby
Barry Gilchrist

Barbara Virostek
Robert Janeway
Helen Duray
Andy Walls
Jack Dahl
Eva Zeleniak-Whitak
Malcolm Barnes
Ann Koehnlein
Larry Eisenhauer
Evelyn Houston
Judith Rowlands
Angeline Komara
Arianna Risso
Charlie Erisman
Rachael Costlow
Marshall Rosenow
Shirley Mazurak
Donna Babble
Richard Barnes
Michael Logan
Lloyd Broadwater
Nick Timko
Erin Demich

Mary Ann Muchesko
Joella Hamlin
Donna Martyak
Veronica Ronchak
Mary Jane Matolyak
Michaela Miller
Arianna Jade Miller
Taylor Miller
Jennifer Gardenhour
Margaret Blehi
Valentina Yaremenko
Olga Yaremetko
Steve Prieber
Aberdeen Rudge
Pat Hanuska
Dwight Nugle
Rose and Terry Fyock
Rosalia Horner
Beverly Mayo
Al Kuzmyak
Michael Paul Gost
Brooklyn Balamuto
Matushka Helen Jasiukowicz

Joanne Democko
Robert Stokes
Barbara Stokes
Marcia Matthews
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Demetra Mavrophilipos
Gaynell Shrift
James Davis
Rose Conjelko
Cindy Birth
Roger Zankey
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Nelia Yurcisin
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Brianna Thompson
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Aniee Himes
Michael Mehalacki
Matthew Hanak
Carol Labad
Carter McAuly
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Michael Yaremenko
Alex Yarementko
Pauline Marie Blehi
Sierra Gathagan
Lauri LaBuda
Dorothy and Kathy Bayconish
Nicholas and Carole Blitva
Lorie Joseph
Mary Frances Dutko

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