



THE FORERUNNER

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Orthodox Church O.C.A.

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February 2017 Glory Be to Jesus Christ!

Service Schedule

Note: The following schedule assumes that Father Basil is available to serve at St. John's that day. If not, we will have a Reader's Service, and notify everyone via the Phone Tree.

February 4

Vespers @ 5:00 pm

February 5 *Publican & Pharisee Sunday*

Sunday School @ 9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

Coffee Hour – *The Blake's and McGraw's*

February 12

Sunday School @ 9:00 AM

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

Coffee Hour – *Hosted by St. Anne's Guild*

Annual Parish Meeting

February 18

Vespers @ 5:00 pm

February 19 *Meatfare/Last Judgement*

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

Coffee Hour – *The Donovan's and Everly's*

February 26 *Cheesefare/Forgiveness Sunday*

Sunday School @ 9:00 AM

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

Coffee Hour – *The Foster's and Conkey's*

Birthdays	
Dorian Batchko	2/01
Mary Ann Conkey	2/02
George Sura	2/02
Emily Demchak	2/04
Julia Batchko	2/15

Reader's Schedule

	<i>Hours</i>	<i>Epistle</i>
2/5	Julia Biberdorf	Julia Biberdorf
2/12	John Conkey	John Conkey
2/19	Doug Donovan	Doug Donovan
2/26	Tom Demchak	Tom Demchak

Feast & Saints

2/2	Meeting of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Temple
2/5	Publican & Pharisee Sunday
2/6	St. Christina
2/6	St. Dorothy
2/8	St. Theodore Tiron
2/8	St. Theodore Stratelates
2/12	Prodigal Son Sunday
2/19	Meatfare/Last Judgement
2/26	Cheesefare/Forgiveness Sunday



Please contact Shirley Donavon or Mary Ann Conkey if there are changes with the Coffee Hour. Cash donations go towards the purchase of coffee, cream, sugar, and donuts

There are no Anniversaries this month.

Remember in your prayers: Archbishop MELCHISEDEK, Father John, Father Adam, Father Ted, Father Paul, Father Michael, Father Andrew, Father John, Matushka Judy Horosky, Matushka Ksenia Batchko, Larry Ammerman, Mary Ann Ammerman, Jen Ammerman and Victor, Alexis Blackburn, Karen Blackburn, Chris Conkey, John Conkey, James Crites, Helen Czar, Joe Demchak, Mike Demchak, Steve Demchak, Kari Donovan, Matthew Donovan, Michael Evans, Bonnie Fetcenko, Randy Fetcenko, Rose Marie Fetcenko, Olga Finlayson, Kenneth Finlayson, Jack Foster, Mary Foster, Harry Horosky, Alexandra Mamrak, Eugene Minarich, Evan Morgan, Richard Nakles, Gloria Rice, John Saupp, Mary Sura Saupp, Harry Socie, Alexandra Stine, Karen Stine, Eleanor Sura, Andrew Tocimak, Irene Tocimak, Louise Tocimak, Walter Varagea, Delores Varagea, Patricia Wood

“O Master, the all-sustainer, and Holy King, Who punishes, but reduces not to death, Who strengthens the failing and raises the outcast, Who remedies the bodily sorrows of men, we pray unto Thee, O Our Lord, visit Thine infirm servants with Thy mercy; forgive them every transgression, voluntary and involuntary. Verily O Lord, send down from Heaven Thy healing power, touch the body, extinguish the fever, lessen the suffering and every infirmity of Thy servants, raise them decumbent, from sickness, and from the bed of evilness, make them whole and all-restored, return them to Thy Church well-pleasing and fulfilling Thy will. For it is of Thine own, to be merciful and to save us, O Lord, and unto Thee we send glory, to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen

*God has a purpose for your pain,
A reason for your struggles,
And a reward for your faithfulness.
Don't give up!*

The Hanging Vigil above the Royal Doors of the iconostasis is supported by Irene Pollock in loving memory of her sister and brother-in-law Margaret and Robert Stefanko.

The Vigils on the Tetrapod are supported by Irene Pollock in loving memory of her parents, sisters, brothers, husband, nephew and stepfather.

The votives in front of the iconostasis, on the candle stands and in front of the icons in the nave are supported by Andrew & Louise Tocimak in loving memory of the Tocimak family.

Hall Flooring & Restroom Project

St. Ann's Guild paid to replace the flooring in the main part of the Hall, as well as the Restrooms and the Hallway. A contractor was in to install the new carpeting and floating floor tile Jan 23-26, but additional work had to be done by members of St. John's before, during and after the Contractor's work.

In order for the contractor to remove the existing carpeting and dance floor, all of the furniture had to be moved to one end of the Hall, then relocated to the other end, then put back in place when the contractor was finished. The existing toilets had to be removed, then the floor tile in the Hallway and Restrooms. The subfloor at the toilet end of the Women's restroom had deteriorated due to water damage over the years, and had to be removed, and replaced. New ADA height toilets and ceiling fan/lights were installed in both restrooms, and the baseboard was removed, refinished and reinstalled during the project. Additional work will need to be done to replace the restroom ceiling, finish the hallway ceiling, raise the sink in the men's restroom to ADA requirement, and replace wall mirrors and lights, so you will still have the opportunity to volunteer if you missed your chance this time. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped during the week-long project: Svetlana, John & Elizabeth Blake, George Sura, Tom Everly, John Conkey, and Doug Donovan.

