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29TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

December 16, 2018

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Colossians 3:4-11 (Epistle)

Luke 14:16-24 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship and fellowship.
If you are without a spiritual home, please make OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.

TODAY Sunday of the Forefathers. Prophet Haggai (Aggæus—50 B.C.). Martyr Marinus of Rome (†3RD c.). Bl. Empress Theophano (†893-4). St Sophia (†1542).

READERS: Hours: Marlo PERRY; Epistle: Maria LLAMAS

GREETER: Kathy WHALEN

9:40 am Third Hours & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am **Divine Liturgy** and **Memorial** for Valeriy (†4 yrs) MARTYNYUK requested by Zinaida MARTYNYUK, Mike & Iryna BAKER followed by Fellowship with Refreshments

11:20 am St. Nicholas Sunday School

Wednesday, December 19

7:00 pm **Orthodoxy Study** Group Gathering. Topic: **Mother of God — Theotokos**. *Invite a friend.*

Saturday, December 22

10:00 am **CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE**

4:50 pm Ninth Hour

5:00 pm **Great Vespers**; Confession

Sunday, December 23 30TH Sunday after Pentecost; **Sunday before the Nativity**. Holy Ten Martyrs of Crete (†3rd c.). Martyr Euporus (†3rd c.). St. Theoctist, Archbishop of Novgorod (†1310).

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MANY THANKS TO OUCHAKOV family for hosting this mornings fellowship hour.

CHRISTMAS LITURGICAL SCHEDULE 2018

Monday, December 24th

Tuesday, December 25th

Wednesday, December 26th

6:00pm Christmas Vigil

9:40am Hours

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10:00am Christmas Liturgy

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FELLOWSHIP HOUR Please check your schedule and see when you can take your turn! A sign up sheet is hanging up on the hall bulletin board for next months coffee hour rotation.

SCRIP is available at every Sunday Fellowship Hour.

PASTORAL MINISTRY Call (815) 725-4742 or (630) 559-5785 to register as a parishioner, to initiate instruction in the Faith, to schedule sacraments, visitation, etc.

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GOD BLESS YOU
FOR YOUR GENEROUS &
RESPONSIBLE STEWARDSHIP!!!

CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE On Saturday, December 22ND at 10am our church will host the Annual Bake Sale. We will be selling **Homemade Assorted Cookie Trays** in one pound containers. Please bring 5-6 dozen of the same cookie (no gooey or sticky frosting as they may stick when stacked) by Saturday, December 22ND at 9am to be included in cookie trays. Helpers with the bake sale are also requested.

CHRISTMAS CARDS We have a beautiful selection of handmade Christmas cards, created by Elena PAVLOV, available for purchase at the candle desk. All proceeds collected from the purchase of these cards go directly to our church.

THE SPIRIT OF GIVING -- "STARS OF HOPE" Our gratitude to those of you who bring the joy of the Christmas season by gifting hope and love in adopting "dismissal stars" and providing them with much needed necessities and a few treats! Our parishes members collective enthusiasm and ability to motivate others has resulted in sponsoring 15 such children.

BULLETIN SPONSORS To offset the cost of weekly printing of the bulletins we are hoping to find monthly sponsors that would donate \$25 to cover this cost. Names of the bulletin benefactors will be listed on the appropriate months on bulletin. Payments should be directed to St. Nicholas Orthodox Church.

FELLOWSHIP HOUR Please check your schedule and see when you can take your turn! A sign up sheet is hanging up on the hall bulletin board for next 6 months of the coffee hour rotation. One unsponsored Sunday left in 2018 and a completely blank slate for 2019, don't be shy.

MANY YEARS... Happy Birthday to Hanna STASYUK on December 21TH.

Happy Anniversary to Ludmila & Patrick LYNCH on December 19TH

May God grant all our celebrants Many Happy and Healthy Years!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following people, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

MaryAnn MAGERKO	Tom KOMPARE	Juliana MATUSIAK	Gloria WATSON	Rich BRUMER
Katerina Ouchakov	Georgia PATTEN	Danny CARPENTER	June BRADLEY	Lubov SIROTUK
Richard JOVANOVIH	Peggy BENNETH	Arthur COOK	Jose FELIX	Susan NICKLAS

If there is anyone who is in need of prayers, please let me know.

Today Epistle (Colossians 3:4-11)

Brethren... When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.

Апостол Дня (Колоссянам 3:4-11)

Братия... Когда же явится Христос, жизнь ваша, тогда и вы явитесь с Ним во славе. Итак, умертвите земные члены ваши: блуд, нечистоту, страсть, злую похоть и любостяжание, которое есть идолослужение, за которые гнев Божий грядет на сынов противления, в которых и вы некогда обращались, когда жили между ними. А теперь вы отложите все: гнев, ярость, злобу, злоречие, сквернословие уст ваших; не говорите лжи друг другу, совлекшись ветхого человека с делами его и облекшись в нового, который обновляется в познании по образу Создавшего его, где нет ни Еллина, ни Иудея, ни обрезания, ни необрезания, варвара, Скифа, раба, свободного, но все и во всем Христос.

Today Gospel (Luke 14:16-24)

Then He said to him, "A certain man gave a great supper and invited many, and sent his servant at supper time to say to those who were invited, 'Come, for all things are now ready.' But they all with one accord began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.' And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.' Still another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry, said to his servant, 'Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.' And the servant said, 'Master, it is done as you commanded, and still there is room.' Then the master said to the servant, 'Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. 'For I say to you that none of those men who were invited shall taste my supper.'"

Евангелие Дня (Луки 14:16-24)

Он же сказал ему: один человек сделал большой ужин и звал многих, и когда наступило время ужина, послал раба своего сказать званым: идите, ибо уже все готово. И начали все, как бы сговорившись, извиняться. Первый сказал ему: я купил землю и мне нужно пойти посмотреть ее; прошу тебя, извини меня. Другой сказал: я купил пять пар волов и иду испытать их; прошу тебя, извини меня. Третий сказал: я женился и потому не могу придти. И, возвратившись, раб тот донес о сем господину своему. Тогда, разгневавшись, хозяин дома сказал рабу своему: пойдя скорее по улицам и переулкам города и приведи сюда нищих, увечных, хромых и слепых. И сказал раб: господин! исполнено, как приказал ты, и еще есть место. Господин сказал рабу: пойдя по дорогам и изгородям и убеди придти, чтобы наполнился дом мой. Ибо сказываю вам, что никто из тех званых не вкусит моего ужина, ибо много званых, но мало избранных.