

Looking Ahead for the Rest of 2021 and Beginning of 2022

December

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day Liturgy at 11:00AM

Dec. 26 - Annual Christmas Dinner

January

Jan. 5 - Blessing of Water 5:00PM

Know Your Church . . . Laity Formation

Sunday of the Holy Fathers

The Sunday of the Fathers is the Sunday before the Nativity of the Lord. On this day the Church honors all those who were well-pleasing to God from all ages, from Adam to St Joseph the Betrothed of the Most Holy Theotokos, those who are mentioned in the genealogy of Matthew 1:1-25. Genealogies don't mean the same to us as they did for ancient peoples, so the first part of this morning's reading may be tedious to modern ears. Most people will remember the list of strange names and forget the ending probably because a majority check out somewhere around "Amminadab" if not before. By the time we get to the story of Christmas at the end people are a little glassy-eyed. St. Matthew's genealogy emphasizes that Jesus is the Son of David. He begins with David and moves then to Abraham, a double whammy for Jewish identification and backward since Abraham came before David! His predominately Jewish audience would be looking for that connection. His aim was to convince the Jews that Jesus was the Messiah and Davidic sonship was essential to do so. Both genealogies are essential for our understanding of the Incarnation (Matthew 1:1-25 & Luke 3:). They compliment one another. Jesus is the Son of God and the Son of David, both human and Divine. As a human being he was specifically Jewish. As God He was perfect God. The real story here is that the Son of God was born at all. If the Son of God had not been born in the flesh, then he could not have been the Son of David. The genealogy tells us that Jesus was a real, live human being with grandparents, uncles, aunts, and probably hundreds of cousins. Tradition tells us that Jesus had half-brothers and sisters since Joseph was a widower and had children from a previous marriage. Some of the Lord's relatives were righteous people, some were scoundrels. At least one of them was a prostitute. Just like our families! White sheep and black sheep. Jesus was a human being with an all-too-typical human family.

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Our Weekly Bulletin



Protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Welcome to our Parish

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!
Christ is among us! He is and always will be!

Divine Liturgies and Services for the Week

Week of December 19 to 26, 2021

Sunday, Dec 19	Sunday of the Holy Fathers	✠ Nicholas Oriti
Dec 20	No Liturgy	
Dec 21	No Liturgy	
Dec 22	No Liturgy	
Dec 23	No Liturgy	
Dec 24	No Liturgy	
Dec 25	Nativity of our Lord	11:00AM
Sunday, Dec 26	Sunday after Christmas	✠ Robert Ramirez

*If you are looking for a closer relationship with Jesus Christ
and are looking for a home, you are welcome to be part
of our kid friendly family in Christ. You have found your way home.*

Sunday of the Holy Fathers

Hebrews 11:9-10;17-23;32-40

Matthew 1:1-25

Troparion of the Resurrection Tone 5

Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion of the Holy Fathers (Tone 2)

Great are the achievements of faith! In the fountain of flames, the three holy youths rejoiced as by the water of rest, and the prophet Daniel was revealed shepherding lions like sheep. Through their intercession, O Christ God, save our souls.

Kondakion of the Holy Fathers (Tone 6)

Glory be...

Armed by the Being that defies description, you defied the manmade idol, O thrice bless'd youth. In the midst of the unbearable flames you stood and cried out to God: "In Your mercy, O Gracious One, hasten and come to our aid," for You can do whatever You will.

Prokeimen of the Holy Forefathers

Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your name forever.

For You are righteous in everything that You have done to us.

Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your name forever.

Alleluia of the Holy Fathers

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have told us the work You did in their days.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

You saved us from our oppressors and put to shame those who hate us.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Collection - December 12, 2021 - \$410.00 Thank you for your generosity.

Confessions - Father will hear confessions following Sunday Liturgies.

Saturdays with Jesus - Saturday, January 8, 2021 - 10:00AM - Adult class

2:00PM - Children from 5 and up

Blessing of Houses - Father will be blessing houses in the near future.

Condolences to Bishop Bohdan
on the falling asleep of his father Miroslaw Danylo.
May his memory be eternal. Вічна пам'ять

2021 Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve

Friday, December 24

4:00PM - Divine Liturgy - Northern Cambria

10:00PM - Divine Liturgy - Northern Cambria

Christmas Day

Saturday, December 25

9:00AM - Divine Liturgy - Northern Cambria

11:00AM - Divine Liturgy - Revloc



Prayer List

Parishioners: Connie Butkus, Kathy Ott, Sarah Kelt, Gary Maurer, the Lutak family, Jeremiah Hunt

Friends of the Parish: Jennifer Maurer, Breanna Borlie, Tom and Kris, Mark Prewitt, Richard Shonk, Ryder McDermitt, Fr. Wolodymyr Woloszczuk, Steve Helsel, Tuinstra family, Patricia Dragani, Kevin Rogers, Darla Tishok, the Sherman family, the Williams family.

To add or remove a name, place your request in the collection basket.

Joke of the Day

The priest asked the deacon to preach while he was away on vacation. When he returned, he ran into a member of his congregation. "How was church on Sunday?" the priest asked. "Oh, we missed you," the church member replied. "We like the deacon a lot as a person, but his homily wasn't good at all."

Later in the week, the priest called the deacon to get his perspective on how things went while he was away. "Oh the homily went fine on Sunday," the deacon replied. "I just used one of your old homilies."