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BULLETIN OF JANUARY 15, 2012

SUNDAY/JANUARY 15 31st Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 6) 9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour: Church School

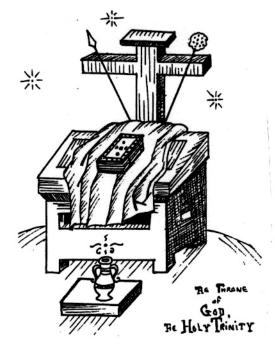
TUESDAY/JANUARY 17

9:30a.m. Memorial Service for (+) Mary Kralovich

SATURDAY/JANUARY 21

9:30a.m. Akathist; Confessions 5:30p.m. Vigil; Confessions

SUNDAY/JANUARY 22 32nd Sunday After Pentecost (Tone 7) Sanctity of Life Sunday Apostle Timothy of the Seventy 9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour with Question & Answer Period Here, the Throne depicts God the Father, the Cross, God the Son and the vessel of Myrrh, God the Holy Spirit.



THE THREE SOURCES OF OUR THOUGHTS

By St. John Cassian (+430)

We should know that the three sources of our thoughts are: from God, from the devil and from ourselves.

They are **from God** when He wills to visit us by the illumination of the Holy Spirit, which raises us up to a higher level of progress in the spiritual life; and when we have made little gain or have acted lazily and been overcome and He chastens us with a most heart-felt compunction, and when He opens to us the heavenly sacraments and changes our direction to better acts and to a better will.

And **from the devil**, a whole series of thoughts is born, when he attempts to subvert us by taking delight in evil and hidden things, fraudulently passing off wicked things as if they were good with the most subtle finesse and transforming himself for us into an angel of light.

Thoughts come **from us**, when we spontaneously remember things that we are doing or have heard.

We should be continually aware of this three- fold distinction and with a wise discretion examine all the thoughts that emerge in our heart, first tracing their origins and causes and their authors, so that, in accordance with the status of whoever is suggesting them, we may be able to consider how to approach them. Offerings for the week of January 15

Olive Oil – in memory of Michael and Justina, in memory of Vaschen and Emilia.

Parish Synodicon

Feb. 10	40th Day Vera Wilhousky	
Jan. 15,	2000	Ekaterina Moroshan
Jan. 17,	1938	Fr. Elia Lilikovich
		(Rector 1925-1929)
Jan. 17,	1953	Radion Tzarkov
Jan. 17,	1975	Mary Kralovich
Jan. 18,	1927	Anastasia Petrushevich
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Jan. 18, 1963 Helen Trehubets

Jan. 18, 1990 Constatnine Putyrske Jan. 19, 1974 Vera Gromack

Jan. 19, 1999 Charles Basil Fetchko Jan. 20, 1960 Nazar Pasechnik

Jan. 20, 1963 Charles Chabala Jan. 21, 1971 Andrew Zorella

Jan. 22, 1923 Tarasius Lasin

The Blessing of Homes – Jan. 7th -Feb. 17th It is the custom with the Feast of the Holy Theophany, January 6th, to bring the newlyblessed waters into our homes and have our homes blessed by the priest. If you wish to have your home blessed, please arrange a time with Father James.

Evenings <u>not</u> possible for blessings: Jan. 15,16,21,26,28,29, Feb. 1,2,4,11 Days <u>not</u> possible for blessings: Jan.15,16,19, Feb. 2, 12

Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, January 26th at 7:00p.m.

Annual Parish Meeting

Sunday, February 12th at 11:45a.m. All Reports must be received no later than Wednesday, February 1st, 9:00p.m. so to be prepared for distribution on Sunday, February 5th.

Box for Icon Prints

On the vestibule stand is a box where you may deposit icon prints "that you have cut out" from your calendars and Christmas cards. This box only operates thru January 29th.

Orthodox Christians March For Life-Monday, January 23rd

This Annual March in Washington, DC is held each year as a protest against the Supreme Court decision on permitting abortion. Orthodox Christians lend their voice with many other Americans to address the "killing" of infants allowed by American Law, and the need to change the law and protect life. Bishop Michael will be participating. You are encouraged to go.

OCA & NY-NJ Diocesan Assessments

A reminder — while our parish still has an obligation in 2012 to collect and forward to the Diocese (\$40 per person) and for the OCA (\$105) per person (89 census) for a total of \$12,905 for the year; we have opted instead to forward 10% of income to the Diocese and OCA. These funds will be secured through the Sunday Envelope, there being no longer any Assessment Envelope. Your adoption of the tithe (10%) of percentage offering (any other %) will make it possible for us to be good stewards for the Church — which is not only our local parish, but the diocese and national church.

Coffee Hour Hosting

Jan. 15 – Hunchar, Erkman and Turri Jan. 22 - Sarchisian, Dunaenko and Hando Jan. 29 - Peterson, Bakaletz and Mattei

Youth Night – Sat., Jan. 21st

Holy Resurrection Church in Wayne invites all youth (grades 6-12) for an evening of worship (5:00p.m. Vespers); and from 600-8:00p.m. a fellowship enjoying pizza, games and fun. This is an opportunity for youth to get-to-know one another from various parishes.

For more information, please call Fr. Paul Kucynda (973-696-6772).

Bishop Michael in Perth Amboy

Bishop Michael will be celebrating the Feast of Theophany (Old Calendar) at St. Spyridon's Church in Perth Amboy, Jan. 18th (vigil) and Jan. 19th (Divine Liturgy at 9:30a.m.). You are invited!