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BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY JANUARY 17, 2016

SUN/JAN. 17 33rd Sun. After Pentecost St. Anthony the Great 9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour; Church School & Teen Class

THURS/JAN. 21 7:00p.m. Parish Council Meeting

FRI/JAN. 22 March For Life in Washington DC

SAT/JAN. 23 9:30a.m. Akathist to our Lord; Confessions 5:30p.m. Vigil; Confessions

SUN/JAN. 24 34th Sun. After Pentecost St. Xenia of Petersburg 9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy Coffee Hour with Question & Answer Period



THE BLESSING OF HOMES 2016

The blessing of homes will take place in the time period of January 7-31 and again from Feb. 21-Mar. 5. If you wish to have your home blessed, speak with Fr. James to arrange to schedule a time. Please check the Jan. & Feb. Monthly calendars on-line so your home blessing is not in competition with scheduled services and other parish events.

House Blessing: The Purpose

The blessing of homes is a custom of special beauty and significance. We ask Christ to bless and enter into our homes and our lives. We ask Him to be with us, as we desire to be with Him. We ask that by the sprinkling of blessed water, the Holy Spirit renew us, our families and our lives in our homes. As Christ brought salvation to the house of Zacchaeus; we ask for the same for all dwelling in our homes.

House Blessing: The Order

The house being cleaned and ready, we dress in an honorable manner (as we would for church). When the priest arrives, we greet him at the door, having turned off any radio, TV, or other noise based element. Animals that may cause disruption should be placed out of the way. On a small table before icons, a small but wide-mouthed bowl full of newly blessed water is placed. Together with a list of names of those who reside in the home, a lighted candle and censor (if you have one) are also placed on the table. These items are arranged prior to the arrival of the priest. At the beginning of the service for the blessing of the home, a family member leads the priest throughout the home, carrying the lighted candle. The rest of the household follows and then returns to the table for the final prayer and blessing with water upon those present.

Offerings Weeks of Jan. 17

Olive Oil: in memory of Michael, Justina, Anastasia and Rosalia; in memory of John and for the health of Vera; for the health of Timothy.

The Parish Synodicon: Memory Eternal!

Feb. 12 40th Day for Alice Kulina

Feb. 14 40th Day of Frank Bongiorno

Jan. 17, 1938 Fr. Elia Lilikovich

(rector 1925-1929)

Jan. 17, 1953 Radion Tzarkov

Jan. 17, 1975 Mary Kralovich

Jan. 18, 1927 Anastasia Petrushevich

Jan. 18, 1963 Helen Trehubets

Jan. 18, 1990 Constantine Putyrske

Jan. 18, 1974 Vera Gromack

Jan. 19, 1999 Charles Basil Fetchko

Jan. 20, 1960 Charles Chabala

Jan. 21, 1971 Andrew Zorella

Jan. 22, 1923 Tarasius Lasin

Jan. 23, 1936 Paul Dzioba

Coffee Hour Hosts

Jan. 17 Mantzafos, Sokol, Arpastean, Nasledysheva, Staina & Sarchisian

Jan. 24 Dunaenko, Wypych, Chirnoaga, Moldoveanu & Nemes

Jan. 31 Peterson, Bakaletz, Mattei & Erkman

Usher Schedule

Jan. 17 Dennis F. & Peter B.

Jan. 24 Edward S. & Kahka K.

Jan. 31 Timothy S. & Peter B.

Counters

Jan. 17 Inga G. & Peter B.

Jan. 24 Ekaerini M. & Ciprian C.

Jan. 31 Open

Photos of Nativity (12/25), St. Basil (01/01) Theophany (01/06) & Yolka (01/10)

These photos are posted on the website as well as on Face Book. Enjoy!

Diocese of NY-NJ Altar Servers Retreat

To be held at St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, NY. See posted materials on Bulletin Board or website' Of diocese: www.nynjoca.com

The Calendar

Jan. 07-31 Blessing of Homes (First Period)

Feb. 21-06 Mar. Blessing Homes (Second Period)

Hall Kitchen Cleaning Day Jan. 23 Sat.

Jan. 24 Sun. Question & Answer Period

Jan. 27 Wed. Monthly Study Class 7-8:30p.m.

Blessing of New Church, Rocky Hill Jan. 29-30

Jan. 31 Sun. Deadline for Annual Mtg.Reports

Feb. 02 Tue. Meeting of the Lord Feast Day

Feb. 07 Sun. Scout Sunday

Feb. 07 Sun. Souper Bowl of Caring

Diocese Altar Server Retreat Feb. 12-14

Feb. 24,25 & 26 Pirogei Making Days

Feb. 29 Mon. Monthly Study Class 7-8:30p.m.

Feb. 28 Sun. Annual Parish Meeting 12:00p.m.

End of Blessing of Homes Season Mar. o6 Sun.

Leave-Taking of Meats Mar. o6 Sun.

Leave-Taking of Meats Mar. 13 Sun.

Beginning of Great & Holy Lent Mar. 14 Mon.

Installation of Parish Council Mar. 27 Sun.

Mar. 31 Thurs. Parish Council Meeting

Names Day Greetings – Many Blessed Years!

Jan. 17/St. Anthony: Antoniu Chirnoaga Jan.22/St. Timothy: Timothy Smith & Timothy Gorbatuk

A Collection Table in Vestibule

Your old wall calendars and icon images from your Christmas cards may be deposited in the box provided. We should not dispose of these paper images in the trash.

100th Anniversary DVD's

The DVD's are presently in production and will be in our possession in another 10 days and ready for distribution.

3 Seeds of Growth - January

- 1) Have your home blessed.
- 2) Keep a bottle of holy water in your frig and use it frequently for spiritual needs, illness, temptation, school test, travelling etc.
- 3) Select a seed from Nov. or Dec. months that you have missed and work on it.