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BULLETIN NOVEMBER 20, 2016

SUNDAY/NOVEMBER 20

22nd Sunday After Pentecost

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour; Church School & Teen Class
5:30p.m. Vigil

MONDAY/NOVEMBER 21

Entrance of Theotokos Into Temple (one of "the 21 Great Feasts of the Year")

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy

TUESDAY/NOVEMBER 22

6:30p.m. (+) Zinaida Neudachin 1 Year Memorial
7:00p.m. Compline & Akathist to
St. Alexander Nevsky & Anointing

WEDNESDAY/NOVEMBER 23

7:00p.m. Compline & Akathist to
St. Katherine & Anointing

THURSDAY/NOVEMBER 24

Thanksgiving Day Holiday
9:30a.m. Akathist "Glory to God For
All Things"

SATURDAY/NOVEMBER 26

9:30a.m. Akathist to Our Lord; Confessions
10:00a.m. 40th Day Memorial for
(+) Dorothy Mascheska
5:30p.m. Vigil; Confessions

SUNDAY/NOVEMBER 27

23rd Sunday After Pentecost
9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour & Question/Answer Period



Icon of the Entrance into the Temple of the Mother of God.

Today is the prelude of the good will of God,
of the preaching of the salvation of mankind.
The Virgin appears in the Temple of God,
in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all.
Let us rejoice and sing to her:
Rejoice, O fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation!
(Troparion of the feast, tone 4)

Offerings Week of November 20

Olive Oil: in memory of Michael, Panteleimon, Justina, Eva, Rosalie and Anastasia; in memory of Sarchisian and Bocai families; for the health of Catherine; for the health of Parascevi and Sister Theophano.

Wine: in memory of departed family members.

Flowers: in memory of Richard and Ralph; for the health of family members.

Litya Breads: for the health of Katherine

The Parish Synodicon: Memory Eternal!

Dorothy Macheska 40th Day-Nov. 25

Nov. 20, 1977 Mary Kachorsky

Nov. 20, 2002 Raymond Bolash

Nov. 21, 1997 George Zvonchenko

Nov. 21, 2004 Ann Zeban

Nov. 22, 2008 Anastasia Barna

Nov. 23, 1968 Daniel Podobed

Nov. 23, 2015 Zinaida Neudachin

Nov. 25, 1968 Michael Spotts

Nov. 25, 1971 Julia Hansen

Nov. 26, 1950 Metrophan Saffron

Nov. 26, 1953 Sauka Greunther

Nov. 26, 2002 Mary Gavlick

Coffee Hour Schedule

- Coffee Hour Hosts are reminded to prepare foods that are simple enough that you leave the church only after Communion.
- Coffee Hour Hosts, please place trash in the garbage cans outside, or if the cans are full, on top of the cans, but not on the ground.
- Please allow church school teachers and students to be first in line so they can prepare for classes.

Nativity Fast: Nov. 15-Dec. 24: No meat or dairy

Nov. 20 Kita, Nevitt, Keller, Turri, Torrisi & Kachek

Nov. 27 Inga, Eka, Marina and Nona

Usher Schedule

Nov. 20 Dennis F.

Nov. 27 Edward S. & Kahka K.

Counters

Nov. 20 Ekaterini M. & Irina S.

Nov. 27 Jill P. & Paulina N.

Sunday Readers Schedule

Nov. 20 Ciprian C.

Nov. 27 John Z.

The Calendar – For Your Participation

Dec. 03 & 10 Church Cleaning Saturdays

Dec. 11 Christmas Cookie Walk

Dec. 17 Archbishop Michael at our Parish and tonsure of Samuel Davis to the rank of Church Reader

Dec. 18 First Service in New Brunswick of St. Symon of Cyrene with Archbishop Michael and faithful from area.

Names Day Greetings

St. Alexander/Nov. 23: Alexander Torrisi

St. Katherine/Nov. 24: Ekaterine Margiani, Katerina Gedevani, Katherine Mantzafos and Kathryn Motoviloff

Many Blessed Years!

Nativity 40 Day Lent: Nov. 15-Dec. 24

In this one of "The Four Lents," of the year, a fast is observed from eat, dairy, fish, wine and oil. The Parish Wall Calendar and the Monthly Printed Wall Calendar indicate modifications to the fast.

Nov. 20/Sun. fish, wine and oil allowed

Nov. 21/Mon. fish, wine and oil allowed

Nov. 22/Tue. -

Nov. 23/Wed. wine and oil allowed

Nov. 24/Thur. wine and oil allowed

Nov. 25/Fri. wine and oil allowed

Nov. 26/Sat. fish, wine and oil allowed

Nov. 27/Sun. fish, wine and oil allowed

Baskets for Food Collection in Vestibule

Staple food items may be brought for our local food pantry during Nativity Lent season.

Lipstick Spoils

The chemicals in lipstick causes a discoloration on paint (icons) as well as a hard to clean smear on glass (protecting icons.) Please do not kiss Icons with lipstick.

Nativity Lenten Spiritual Reading

What book(s) are you currently reading? The Parish Library is open during Coffee Hours.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Nine Points For Consideration

1. The Parish Church of Ss. Peter & Paul in Manville, is supported only by our parishioners. 85% of the total income is received by means of the 52 Sunday Envelopes.
2. All parishioners receive bi-monthly envelopes in the mail. If you are not receiving envelopes, you are not registered as a parishioner.
3. In terms of financial support of the parish, there is no required or suggested amount in dollar value of your offering. There are no minimal or maximal guidelines.
4. Parishioners are strongly encouraged to adopt the proportionate giving model of offering that has been implemented in our parish since 2006.
5. In adopting the proportionate giving model, you self-determine what percentage (%) of your income you will offer as a “first-fruit” offering on a regular basis, offered in thanksgiving using the Sunday envelope system.
6. The percentage of an offering may be the standard “tithe” (10%) or it may be a “proportionate offering” of any meaningful self-determined percent as for example, 3%, 5%, 7%, 12 % etc.
7. The Parish Church does not examine or keep records on who is or is not a proportionate giver, this is between you and God. Total amounts of offerings are kept only for tax purposes.
8. The concept of “first offering” means that we dedicate to the Lord the first portion of our income as an offering of thanksgiving. We understand and separate this offering from our latter obligations and needs, food shelter, mortgage, utilities, entertainments, etc. which belong to the realm of paying bills.
9. Any gift offered to the Lord and His work through His Church is an acceptable offering inasmuch as the one offering the gift offers “oneself” as the primary gift. Our offerings are tokens expressive of our love and commitment to the Lord and are made in a cheerful, generous and sacrificial manner.

For reference and further reading: *“The Theology of Stewardship.”* This 19 page booklet by the Orthodox Church in America (OCA) gives a complete examination of proportionate giving. This is the key document that guides our parish understanding of financial offerings. The booklet may be found on the vestibule stand or picked-up in the hall office.



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SS. Peter and Paul Church School Children
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Beloved Children of Saints Peter and Paul Church:
Christ is in our midst! – He is and ever shall be!

With deep gratitude I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all of you for your sharing your talents in the recitations of the Lives of the Saints which you performed, and your kind generosity in the beautiful flowers and the magnificent hand-written Icon of Our Lord, painted by all of you, that you gave me this past Sunday when I visited your church for the 101st Anniversary of the Parish.

I cannot thank you enough for your most gracious kindness. Please know that whenever I serve the Divine Liturgy, you are in my thoughts and my prayers. I am truly grateful to God to have you as members of our Diocesan Family.

May Our Lord bless you for your "love in action" with His choicest blessings. Indeed, in the words of the Prophet David, "may you see the good things of Jerusalem all the days of your life."

Please be assured of my daily prayers for you. May God grant you a prosperous and peaceful life, good health and salvation, visitation and good hastening in all things, and may He protect and preserve you in His loving care for many, blessed years. *"Mnogaya Lyeta!"*

I look forward to seeing all of you the next time I come to Manville! Please remember to pray for me!

With my prayers, my blessings and my love,

+ Michael

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Archbishop of New York and the
Diocese of New York and New Jersey