

# SAINTS PETER & PAUL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## ***BULLETIN OF JANUARY 14, 2018***

### **SUNDAY/JANUARY 14**

#### **Leave-Taking of Theophany**

#### **St. Nina of Georgia**

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy; Special Presentation Luncheon by Church School Children

**BLESSING OF HOMES: JANUARY 8<sup>th</sup> – FEBRUARY 17<sup>th</sup>**  
**- By Appointment -**

### **SATURDAY/JANUARY 20**

9:30a.m. Akathist to our Lord; Confessions

5:30p.m. Vigil; Confessions

### **SUNDAY/JANUARY 21**

#### **Zacchaeus Sunday**

#### **St. Maximos the Confessor**

9:10a.m. Hours; 9:30a.m. Divine Liturgy; Teen Class; Coffee Hour

#### **House Blessing: The Purpose**

The blessing of homes is a custom of special beauty and significance. We ask Christ to enter into our homes and bless 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 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 Week of January 14**

**Relics Candle:** in memory of Infant Ivanna; in memory of newly-departed servant, Andrew.

**Olive Oil:** in memory of Michael, Justina, Rosalia, Anastasia, Pavel & Ivanna; for peace and comfort for Dimitri, Theodore, Daniela and Nicholas.

**Flowers:** for the health and salvation of John & Helen (40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary); for the health of Alexia.

### **Synodicon: Memory Eternal!**

Jan. 15, 2000 Ekaterina Moroshan

Jan. 17, 1938 Fr. Elia Lilikovich  
(rector 1925-1929)

Jan. 17, 1953 Radion Tzarkov

Jan. 08, 1963 Mathilda Blanchard

Jan. 17, 1975 Mary Kralovich

Jan. 18, 1927 Anastasia Petrushevich

Jan. 18, 1963 Helen Trehubets

Jan. 18, 1990 Constantine Putyrsk

Jan. 19, 1974 Vera Gromack

Jan. 19, 1999 Charles Basil Fetchko

Jan. 20, 1960 Nazar Pasechnik

Jan. 20, 1963 Charles Chabala

### **Coffee Hour Schedule**

Coffee Hour Hosts please prepare foods that are simple enough, so you are not absent from the Divine Liturgy. It is only after Communion, that we should leave the church and attend to food preparations.

Jan. 14 Sokol, Nasledysheva, Staina & Sarchisian

Jan. 21 Chirnoaga, Moldoveanu, Vajda & Sue

Jan. 28 Peterson, Bakaletz, Mattei, Erkman & Stone

### **Counters Schedule**

Jan. 14 Ciprian C. & Jill P.

Jan. 21 Irina S. & Lisa K.

Jan. 28 Larissa M. & Paulina N.

### **Ushers Schedule**

Jan. 14 Jerome S. & Adrian M.

Jan. 21 Dennis F. & Robert E.

Jan. 28 Edward S. & Kahka K.

### **Names Day Greetings**

St. Anthony/Jan. 17: Antoniu Chirnoaga

Many Blessed Years!

### **Winter Weather Alert**

If it is necessary to make changes in the schedule, they will be posted via 1) Parish E-Mail; 2) Parish website [www.ssppoc.org](http://www.ssppoc.org); 3) Friends of Ss. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church Face Book.

### **Written Reports for Annual Meeting**

All written reports for the Annual Meeting of February 11<sup>th</sup> must be received by the Fr. James no later than January 30<sup>th</sup>, for compilation and distribution to the parish membership for February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **March For Life – Washington DC, Friday, January 19th**

### **Parish Council Meeting – Thursday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m.**

### **2017 Contribution Statements**

Questions you may have should be addressed to Katherine Mantzafos, Financial Recording Secretary.

### **A Family Needs Assistance**

There is a local family consisting of four children, ages 9, 7, 3 and 14 months that are in difficult financial standing. Fr. James has known this family for a good number of years and while the father of the family works, the immediate needs of the household are great. If in your charity, you can be of any help, I personally, as well as the family would be most grateful. Your donation can be entrusted to Fr. James or a check made to St. Philaret Society, earmarked "family." The Lord bless!

### **Recipients of 2018 St. Basil Coins**

Those blessed and challenged by St. Basil were Jerome Stone and Zachary Sokol.

### **Holy Water**

Old Holy Water ought to be poured on plants; new Holy Water is best kept in the refrigerator.

### **Christmas Cookie Walk – Profit \$1,618**

Thank you to all for your time, labor and purchasing!