



## SS. Peter & Paul Russian Orthodox Church

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January 8, 2012

**THIRTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 5**

**Afterfeast of the Theophany—Sunday After the Theophany**

Ven. George the Chozebite; Ven. Domnica of Constantinople; St. Emilian the Confessor, Bishop of Cyzicus; Ven. Gregory the Wonderworker of the Kiev Caves; Ven. Gregory the Recluse of the Kiev Caves; Hieromartyr Isidore and 72 others at Yuriev; St. Paisius of Uglich; Hieromartyr Carterius of Caesarea in Cappadocia; Martyrs Theophilus the Deacon and Helladius in Libya; Martyrs Julian and his wife, Basilissa, and with them Marcionella, her son Celsus, Anthony, Anastasius, seven children and 20 soldiers at Antioch in Egypt; Ven. Elias the Hermit of Egypt; Martyr Abo the Perfumer of Tiflis

Epistle: Ephesians 4:7-13

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17

### \* The Liturgical & Study Week Ahead \*

Tues, Jan 10	7:00 a.m.	Daily Matins
Sat, Jan 14	12 noon	Panihida for <b>Veronica Burak</b> (40 <sup>th</sup> day) offered by <b>the family</b>
	2:00 p.m.	Marriage of <b>Dr. John Paul Krasting</b> and <b>Tamara Vostok</b>
	5:00 p.m.	Confessions
	6:30 p.m.	Panihida for <b>Alexander Harris</b> (1 yr) offered by <b>the family</b>
	7:00 p.m.	Vespers
Sun, Jan 15	<b>31<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST—Tone 6</b>	
9:00 a.m.	Ven. Paul of Thebes and John Calabytes <i>the Hut-dweller</i>	
Divine Liturgy	Epistle: 1 Tim 1:15-17	Gospel: Luke 18:18-27

### \* What's Up in Our Parish \*

**Church School Classes** resume **TODAY** following the Liturgy Dismissal.

The **Men's Club** will meet in the hall at 7 p.m. on **Thursday, January 12** to discuss all the arrangements for next week's **25 Week Club Dinner**.

The **Altar Society** will meet in the church hall at 6 p.m. on **Monday, January 16**.

**Parish Council** will convene on **Monday, January 16**, in the hall at 7 p.m. The main point of business will be to develop the 2012 Budget for the upcoming *Annual Parish Meeting*; all members, therefore, are asked to attend.

All **ticket members and guests** are invited to the **Annual 25 Week Club Dinner** hosted by the **Men's Club**, on **Thursday, January 19**, starting at 6 p.m., in the church hall. (*Guest tickets are \$10.*) In addition to a great hot buffet, there will also be refreshments and door/cash prizes. It only happens once a year—don't miss out on this fun-filled evening! (**NOTES TO CLUB MEMBERS:** *Lou Silva requires an accurate head count by Thursday, January 12. Also, help is needed on Wednesday, January 18, at 6 p.m., to set up tables.*)

Our **Annual Parish Meeting** is scheduled for **Sunday, February 12**, following Coffee Hour.

## ✧ News That Matters ✧

**STEWARDSHIP: TIME & TREASURE** Attendance at Liturgy last Sunday was **104**.

**MINISTRY DUTIES** The Epistle will be read next Sunday by **Robert Pisuk**. Coffee Hour will be hosted by the **Altar Society**. The church will be cleaned by **Team Pelleriti**.

**THE DISTINGUISHED DIOCESAN BENEFACTORS (DDB) PROGRAM** is an initiative launched last year by His Grace, Bishop MICHAEL, to fund essential ministries in our diocese, such as mission parishes, seminarian education and support for struggling older parishes. To date, over \$100,000 has been contributed by men, women, parishes and organizations throughout New York & New Jersey; the work of the Church is being funded as never before! If you are not already a DDB, consider becoming one this year by offering a sacrificial gift of \$100, \$250, \$500, \$1000 or whatever you are able to give to help our diocese. Your support is what being a DDB is all about. Your love, your prayers and your sharing of the riches with which you have been blessed make it all possible. Detailed informational brochures are available at the Candle Desk. Take seriously this invitation to be a part of a group united by faith, love and a commitment to fulfilling the work God has entrusted to our care. Thanks.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE** **Dr. John Paul Krasting** and **Ms. Tamara Vostok** will be united in Holy Matrimony on **Saturday, January 14**, at 2 p.m. If you know of any unlawful reason why these two people should not be married, please advice Fr. David as **soon as possible** or forever hold your peace. (*3<sup>rd</sup> & Final Announcement*)

**THE POINSETTIA PLANTS** that adorned the church for Christmas can be taken today by anyone who would like to have one; they are located against the back wall of the parish hall.

**BRING A FRIEND** along with you to church. Encourage your relatives to attend services faithfully. It our Christian duty to help others find Jesus. The Apostle Andrew brought his brother Peter to God...let's follow his example!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** the following parishioners, family members and friends:

<u>Departed</u>		<u>Sick</u>	<u>Servicemen</u>
Veronica Burak	Elaine Ashton	Athene Demitry	Ivan Shidlovsky
Faith Wolf	Irene Boulle	Anne LaMonica	Lisa Beard
Anna Durovich	Edward Romanofsky	Timothy Magee	Gregory Nosol
Gary Kottkamp	Walentyna Posluszny	John Centrello	June Buyofsky-Rittman
Maria Albino	Alan Zenkert	Nancy Filak	David T. Floyd
Anna Silvanovich	Michael Dargento	Charles Csenica	Patrick Lohr
	Julia Glazer	Barbara Parhizgar	Keith Sudder
	Joseph Casale	Mikola Zakrewsky	Priest Paul Rivers
	Donna Casale	Kim Walker	Patrick Baldwin
	Lasha Giorgi Pozidis	Dennis Silowka	Timothy Stepan
	Dorothy Swenticky	Benedetto Pelleriti	Michael Gregus
	John Cameron	Alexandre Kurtanidze	Peter Shaw
	Sarah Hall	Darren Flynn	Jacqueline Martinez
	Katherine Tarzewski	Beth Williscroft	Karen Bonet
	Denise Yager	Malcolm Bradford	David Gambert
	Martha Drobnak	Rina D'Amico	Fred Bush
	Dorothy Sopchak	Barbara Longo	Travis Hartman
	Margo Stewart	Charlene Sofer	Elizabeth Brent
	Barbara Wyluda	Brenda Foster	Kyle Abbott
	Arlene Krell	Paul Pavlik	Priest Sean Levine
	Beverly Vietti	Stavroula Parks	Gary Amatrudo Jr.
	Adam Huba	Priest Herman Schick	Steven Moore
	Thea Casale	Subdeacon Basil Quinn	
	David Hebert	Archpriest Thomas Edwards	
	Robert Smith	Eva Fedash	
	Thomas Roche	Olga Kozlov	
	Theresa Rogozenski	Bishop NIKON (Liolin)	
	Olga Romanofsky	Archpriest Alexander Atty	
	Alyssa Rosatelli	Ivert (Fred) Kirkirt	
	John Bihuniak	Melissa	
	Larry Kimpart	Anna Janiszewski	
	Patricia Cottrell	Archpriest Paul White	
	Elaine Schwartz	Myrna Woznica	

Notify Father David or Starosta if you have anyone else who should be included on this list. May they all be under the grace and tender watch of our Lord.

**IMPORTANT REMINDER** Remember to inform Fr. David if you, a family member or fellow parishioner has been hospitalized. It is **YOUR** responsibility to let him know, as healthcare facilities are not obligated to make clergy aware. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

**THE FLOWERS** adorning the festal icon of Theophany on the center tetrapod today were donated by **Debra Ann Jones** in commemoration of the 40<sup>th</sup> day of the falling asleep of her beloved mother, **Raisa Shaluha**. We thank Debbie for this beautiful tribute and pray that Raya's soul will forever dwell with the blessed. Memory Eternal—Vechmaya Pamyat!

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS** Please notify Fr. David in case of a change of address.

**2011 GIVING STATEMENTS** for tax purposes will be provided **UPON REQUEST ONLY**. To receive a copy, put your name on the sign-up sheet at the Candle Desk. Completed statements will be available next Sunday.

**CLEANING THE CHURCH** The general maintenance of the church (vacuuming, removing candles/wax, dusting, etc.) is now being handled by **parishioners** on a **monthly basis**. Since this cost-saving measure was announced last month, only three "teams," comprised of families and/or individuals, have stepped up to cover January, February and July; nine more groups are needed for the remainder of the year. Unfortunately, if no one comes forward voluntarily for this important task, **ASSIGNMENTS WILL BE MADE!** See/Contact Carol Deerson (732-254-4979) or Jay Pelleriti (732-257-4478) if you any questions or require assistance forming a team. We have a wonderful place in which to worship God—we should **ALL** do our best to take care of it!

**BIRTHDAY GREETINGS** go out this week to **Oles Kormosh** and **Paula Mindzak**. May they continue to be blessed with good health and long life for many years—Mnogaya Lyeta!

**THE 2012 CHURCH CALENDARS** are available at the Candle Desk. If you have not yet picked up one, please do so.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** The deadline to submit all information for next Sunday's bulletin is **Thursday evening**. You can reach Father David at the rectory or contact our Bulletin Editor, James Kornafel, by telephone (732-462-3388), fax (732-845-3515) or E-mail ([jimmyk@optonline.net](mailto:jimmyk@optonline.net)).

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## \* 2012 House Blessing Schedule \*

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On the days following the Feast of Theophany, the Church has the beautiful tradition of the priest taking Holy Water into the homes of all parishioners and blessing them. Through this ritual, we ask for God's graces to come upon the household for the New Year.

Weather and health permitting, below are the dates on which Fr. David will be performing house blessings:

<b>TODAY</b>	1 p.m.	South River: <i>Charles, Willet, Monush, Colfax, Darrow, George, Garwood, Beryl, Devoe, Terry, Caroline, Hillside</i>
<b>Mon, Jan 9</b>	1 p.m.	Milltown, South River: <i>Claremont, New, Ridge, Lexington, Fairview, Morningside</i>
<b>Tues, Jan 10</b>	10 a.m.	East Brunswick, Sayreville, Parlin, Avenel, Old Bridge
<b>Wed, Jan 11</b>	12 noon	Jamesburg, Monroe Twp., Spotswood, New Brunswick, Piscataway, Edison
<b>Thurs, Jan 12</b>	2 p.m.	Howell, Freehold, Colts Neck, Matawan, Manalapan
<b>Sun, Jan 15</b>	1 p.m.	Trenton, Mercerville, Lawrenceville, Princeton, Yardville, Cream Ridge

Father is so looking forward to the opportunity to come to your home and pray with you. If you have any questions or conflicts, please call him at the rectory (732-257-0102). Also, if your house was not blessed last year and you would like it to be this year, contact him.

*Glory to Jesus Christ!*

*Glory Forever!*